

REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS DEPUTY MINISTRY OF TOURISM



ACCESSIBLE BEACHES FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL ACCESS NEEDS

The Deputy Ministry of Tourism, within the framework of its efforts to upgrade Cyprus beaches, is an active supporter of issues related to accessibility. It has listed so far 56 beaches for people with special access needs, including 44 fully accessible and 12 partially accessible.

FULLY ACCESSIBLE BEACHES

The following 44 beaches have full access to the beach, as the wheelchair user is able to get from the beach into the sea moving on a wooden or plastic ramp. There is also availability of hygiene facilities and parking places for disabled persons.

It is worth mentioning that on10 of these beaches there is an innovative system Seatrac* that enables disabled people to have a full access to the sea. It is an automatic system powered by photovoltaic energy, consisting of a seat fixed in a rail that drives the disabled person into the sea at an approximate depth of 60cm.

A number of 42 beaches have Floating Wheelchairs** that can be easily moved on the sand and float in the water thanks to their floating armrests and wheels.

Seatrac and Floating Wheelchairs are available for use by the public free of charge and relevant information may be obtained by the lifeguards on the beaches.

AMMOCHOSTOS (FAMAGUSTA) (13 beaches)

Agia Napa: Landa (Floating Wheelchair), Makronisos (Floating Wheelchair), Vathia Gonia (Seatrac).

Paralimni: Agia Triada (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair), Fig Tree Beach (Floating Wheelchair), Kappari (Floating Wheelchair), Louma - Golden Coast (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair), Pernera (Floating Wheelchair), Vrysi A´ (Floating Wheelchair), Vrysi B´ (Floating Wheelchair), Vrysi C´ (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair), Vyzakia - Cavo Maris (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair).

Sotira: Agia Thekla (Floating Wheelchair).

LARNAKA (9 beaches)

Alaminos: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

Larnaka: Finikoudes (Floating Wheelchair), Kastella (Floating Wheelchair), McKenzie (Floating Wheelchair).

Ormidia: Municipal Beach – Louma (Floating Wheelchair).

Pervolia: Faros (Floating Wheelchair).

Pyla: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

Voroklini: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair), Yiannades (Floating Wheelchair).

LEMESOS (LIMASSOL) (10 beaches)

Agios Tychonas: Aphrodite (Floating Wheelchair), Armonia (Floating Wheelchair), Vouppa (Floating Wheelchair).

Germasogeia: Dasoudi (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair), Naftikos Omilos Lemesou &

Ammochostou (Floating Wheelchair).

Episkopi: Kourion (Floating Wheelchair).

Lemesos: Akti Olympion A' (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair).

Parekklisia: Municipal Beach

Pentakomo: Governor's Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

Pissouri: Mounti (Floating Wheelchair).

PAPHOS (12 beaches)

Paphos: Alykes (Floating Wheelchair), Faros (Floating Wheelchair), Municipal Baths (Floating Wheelchair), Vrysoudia A' - Sodap (Floating Wheelchair).

Geroskipou: Municipal Beach (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair).

Neo Chorio: Latchi A' (Floating Wheelchair), Latchi B' (Floating Wheelchair), Latchi C' (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair), Xistarokampos (Floating Wheelchair).

Pegeia: Coral Bay (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair).

Polis Chrysochous: Municipal Beach (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair).

Pomos: Akrotiri Pomou – Koskinas (Floating Wheelchair).

PARTIALLY ACCESSIBLE BEACHES

The following 12 beaches are partially accessible, meaning that they have available ramps or pathways leading to some point on the beach but the access is not extended into the sea. On these beaches there are available hygiene facilities, parking places for disabled persons and 1 of them has Floating Wheelchairs.

AMMOCHOSTOS /FAMAGUSTA (3 beaches)

Agia Napa: Nissi, Pantachou.

Paralimni: Vrysoudia

LARNAKA (2 beach)

Pervolia: Municipal Beach

Pyla: Dasaki Beach.

LEMESOS (LIMASSOL) (5 beaches)

Agios Athanasios: Miami. Lemesos (Limassol): Akti Olympion B' (Floating Wheelchair). Pissouri: Pissouri Municipal Beach Pyrgos: Aoratoi, Panagies.

PAPHOS: (2 beaches)

Paphos: Pachyammos.

Pegeia: Kafizis

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*(Photo: Seatrac)



** (Photo: Floating Wheelchair / Mobi Chair)

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