

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 52 beaches for people with special access needs, including 36 fully accessible and 16 partially accessible.

FULLY ACCESSIBLE BEACHES

The following 36 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 on 7 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 34 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) (12 beaches)

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

Sotira – Agia Napa: Agia Thekla (Floating Wheelchair).

Paralimni: Protaras /Fig Tree Beach (Floating Wheelchair), Louma / Golden Coast (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair), Vrysi A´ (Floating Wheelchair), Vrysi B´ (Floating Wheelchair), Vrysi C´ / Yianna Mari (Seatrac and Floating Wheelchair), Agia Triada (Seatrac. Floating Wheelchair), Vyzakia / Cavo Maris (Seatrac, Floating Wheelchair), Kappari (Floating Wheelchair).

LARNAKA (8 beaches)

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

Voroklini: Yiannathes (Floating Wheelchair).

Alaminos: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

Ormideia: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

Pyla: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

Pervolia: Faros (Floating Wheelchair).

LEMESOS (LIMASSOL) (6 beaches)

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

Akti Olympion B' (Floating Wheelchair).

Parekklisia: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

Germasogeia: Dasoudi (Floating Wheelchair).

Agios Tychonas: Vouppa (Floating Wheelchair), Kastella (Floating Wheelchair),

PAFOS (10 beaches)

<u>Pafos:</u> Vrysoudia A / Sodap (Floating Wheelchair), Municipal Baths (Chair lift και Floating Wheelchair), Faros (Floating Wheelchair), Alykes (Floating Wheelchair).

Geroskipou: Municipal Beach (Floating Wheelchair).

<u>Pegeia</u>: Coral Bay (Floating Wheelchair).

Polis Chrysochous: Municipal Beach (Seatrac).

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

PARTIALLY ACCESSIBLE BEACHES

The following 16 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 5 of them have Floating Wheelchairs.

AMMOCHOSTOS /FAMAGUSTA (4 beaches)

<u>Agia Napa:</u> Nissi, Makronissos (Floating Wheelchair).

Paralimni: Pernera, Mouzoura.

LARNAKA (1 beach)

Pyla: Dasaki Beach.

LEMESOS (LIMASSOL) (9 beaches)

Pentakomo: Governor's Beach.

Pyrgos: Aoratoi, Panagies.

Agios Tychonas: Armonia (Floating Wheelchair), Agia Varvara (Floating Wheelchair).

Agios Athanasios: Miami.

<u>Pissouri:</u> Pissouri beach (Floating Wheelchair), Mounti (Floating Wheelchair).

Episkopi: Kourion.

PAFOS: (2 beaches)

Pafos: Pachyammos.

Pegeia: Kafizis



*(Photo: Seatrac)



** (Photo: Floating Wheelchair / Mobi Chair)

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