

# Accessibility Guide

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## 1. Introduction

The University of Regina and the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences are committed to providing the most inclusive and barrier-free Congress experience possible for attendees with disabilities and accessibility needs. Below you will find pertinent information for planning an accessible trip to Congress 2018. Additional information on general services can be found on the Congress website at [www.congress2018.ca/local-amenities](http://www.congress2018.ca/local-amenities).

If desired, an accessible version of this information can be found as a webpage on the Congress website at [www.congress2018.ca/accessibility](http://www.congress2018.ca/accessibility).

## 2. Accessibility provisions

### Accessibility provisions on campus by request

The university is prepared to provide the following services and equipment upon request. **Attendees who would like to request these services must complete the Accessibility Needs and Information Questionnaire during online registration prior to April 25, 2018 at [www.congress2018.ca/register](http://www.congress2018.ca/register).** Completion of the questionnaire will assist the university in pre-arranging for the needs of attendees with disabilities. If you missed submitting the form during registration, contact [congress@ideas-ideas.ca](mailto:congress@ideas-ideas.ca).

- Specialized seating (e.g. chair without arm rests)
- Priority seating (e.g. near access door; front of room)
- Sign language interpretation
- Assistive listening device
- Real-time captioning
- Alternative formats of written material
- Mobility assistance on campus
- Accessible podium (for presenters)
- Seating during presentation (for presenters)

*Please note: Provisions which require extensive arrangements, and which are not provided by the university on a regular basis, may incur extra charges. Additionally, last minute requests for some services may not be possible; however, the university will do their best to accommodate.*

## Local equipment rentals

### Prairie Heart Mobility

[www.prairieheartmobility.com](http://www.prairieheartmobility.com)

306-584-8456

Provides a wide range of mobility products, including wheelchairs, walking devices, scooters, and on-site mobile repairs.

## 3. Accessible travel and transportation

### Accommodations

The Federation works with all Congress partner hotels and on-campus accommodations to ensure equal access for all attendees. We survey each property based on the standards and specifications provided under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, including the exterior of the building, lobby, rooms, bathrooms and amenities.

Should you have questions regarding the accessibility level of one of the official Congress 2018 hotels, each property listed on the Accommodations page includes a contact person specifically for accessibility queries. Visit [www.congress2018.ca/accommodations](http://www.congress2018.ca/accommodations).

### Airport accessibility

The Regina International Airport facilities are barrier-free, and all airlines operating through the airport provide wheelchairs for those requiring assistance during their travels. Please notify your air carrier, either directly or through your travel agent, if you require assistance boarding or de-planing. Further information on accessibility services at the Regina International Airport is available at [www.yqr.ca/2011-05-10-16-49-00/accessibility](http://www.yqr.ca/2011-05-10-16-49-00/accessibility).

The airport features a designated area for short term drop-off or pick-up, and the accessible location within this area is the southern curb located south of the Departures entrance. This area is clearly marked, and only available to those requiring a quick drop-off or pick-up location point. Capital Cabs offers accessible taxi service upon request, and it is recommended that individuals travelling with special needs contact them at least 24 hours in advance. More information on airport transportation can be found on the Congress website at [www.congress2018.ca/travel#airlines](http://www.congress2018.ca/travel#airlines).

## Public Transit

### Regina Transit

306-777-RIDE (7433)

[www.regina.ca/residents/transit-services](http://www.regina.ca/residents/transit-services)

The City of Regina's Transit Department provides safe, reliable, and affordable public transportation. Regular transit service will be provided free to registered Congress attendees simply by showing your Congress badge when boarding the bus. The main transit hub on the University of Regina campus is located outside the Riddell Centre.

Several bus routes service the campus, including #3, 4, 18, 21, 22 and 30. If required, bus tickets can be purchased on campus at the University of Regina Students' Union, located on the second floor of the Riddell Centre, or any Regina Transit tickets agent. More information on schedules is available on their website, as well as links to real-time route information at [www.transitlive.com](http://www.transitlive.com).

### Paratransit

For individuals who need paratransit service, Regina Paratransit Service is a shared ride public transportation system for Regina residents who are unable to use the regular transit system because of a physical or neurological-related disability. This door-to-door driver assisted service is available to those that qualify and individuals must register in advance.

For more information, please call 306-777-7726.

## Taxis

Most taxi companies in Regina offer accessible vehicles on request.

### Capital Cabs

306-791-2222

[dispatch1@myaccess.ca](mailto:dispatch1@myaccess.ca)

[capitalcabs.ca](http://capitalcabs.ca)

Prescheduled rides can be ordered online by creating a user account.

### Co-op Taxi

306-525-2727

### Regina Cabs

306-543-3333

[www.reginacabs.com](http://www.reginacabs.com)

Taxis can be ordered online and prescheduled. No sign up required.

## 4. Accessible campus

### Accessible parking

A number of accessible parking stalls are available in various parking lots and facilities on the University of Regina's main campus. Consult the Congress map for locations. To use one of these spots simply display your valid Accessible Parking Permit on your vehicle. If you have any questions regarding accessible parking on campus, please direct queries to Parking Services via telephone at 306-585-5555 or using their online Contact Us form (<https://www.uregina.ca/fm/parking/contact/index.html>).

### Mobility Assistance Shuttle

The University of Regina is offering complimentary on-campus mobility transportation to help individuals with accessibility needs or any kind of disability (permanent or temporary) to navigate campus, such as:

- Individuals in wheelchairs;
- Individuals with motor, visual, hearing and/or cognitive disabilities;
- Individuals with temporary accessibility needs (e.g. recent injury; health issues impacting mobility; recovery from surgery; pregnant)

This service will be provided on an ongoing basis throughout the week, therefore individual requests are not necessary. Golf carts will be travelling on a continuous loop along the inside circle of campus during the hours of 7:15-18:30. Wait times should be no longer than five minutes, and attendants will be available at each shuttle stop for assistance. Consult the Congress 2018 map for stop locations.

### Building entrances

All campus buildings used for Congress have at least one accessible entrance. These entrances are comprised of either a level entrance or ramp access, with an automatic door. Accessible entrances will be labelled with appropriate signage.

### Wheelchair assistance

The University of Regina will have a wheelchair available at the Information Centre in the Congress Hub (located in the Centre for Kinesiology – CK) for those who require mobility assistance to get from one place to another. You can also ask for assistance from anyone in a Congress t-shirt.

### Washrooms

Wheelchair-accessible single stall washrooms and gender-neutral washrooms are available across campus and are identified as such.

## Quiet spaces

The University of Regina is pleased to provide designated quiet spaces for Congress attendees, which will be open for the duration of Congress 2018.

- Education Building – ED 189
- Education Building – ED 127
- Library – LY 107.24
- Library – LY 107.31

## Adaptive work spaces

If you require access to workstations with adaptive technology and/or software, please visit the Centre for Student Accessibility (Riddell Centre - RC 251) as a limited number of computer workstations are available in their Adaptive Technology lab.

## Emergency procedures

An outline of emergency response and evacuation procedures can be accessed via the University of Regina's Emergency Preparedness and Safety Guides (<https://www.uregina.ca/emergency/plans-guides.html>). In emergency situations, persons with impaired mobility are to proceed to the nearest emergency stairwell and advise a companion to inform an emergency warden, Campus Security or an available firefighter of their location. Firefighters and first responders are trained to assist persons in wheelchairs to evacuate buildings.

## 5. Support person registration

Support persons or companions are not required to register or pay for Congress if they are travelling with a registered Congress attendee. Support persons will be allowed to enter Congress sessions without a badge only when accompanied by the individual whom they are supporting.

## 6. Questions and contacts

For more information about accessibility at the University of Regina, please contact [accessibility.2018@uregina.ca](mailto:accessibility.2018@uregina.ca) or 306-585-4631. If possible, please submit questions via email and include all relevant details.