

Accessibility Statement – Dougie Mac Colour Dash 2026

At Dougie Mac, we are committed to ensuring that the Colour Dash is welcoming and inclusive for all participants, spectators, and volunteers. Below is an overview of the accessibility provisions and considerations in place for this event.

Our Commitment

We are dedicated to continually improving the accessibility of our events. We welcome feedback to help us create an even more inclusive experience for everyone.

Before the Event

We encourage anyone with specific accessibility needs to contact us in advance so we can provide the best possible support.

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Communication & Information

Event information can be provided in alternative formats upon request, including:

- Large print
- Digital text
- Read aloud support available through website accessibility adjustments

(Our website accessibility tool meets WCAG 2.2 AA standards.)

Additional Support:

- BSL interpreters will be onsite throughout the event.
- On-site signage will be clear and easy to read.

Key Event Details

- The Colour Dash consists of a 400m run/walk around the track while volunteers throw non toxic, corn-starch-based coloured powder.
- Inflatable play area: A range of inflatables will be available.
 - Hoist-assisted access is not available.
 - Access is based on individual ability.
 - Staff and volunteers cannot support participants to enter or exit inflatables.

Support Services

- Dougie Mac staff and volunteers will be stationed throughout the venue to assist where needed.
- A large projector screen will provide live speech-to-text support for announcements.
- First aid teams will be positioned at key points on the route and within the event hub.
- A quiet space will be available for individuals who benefit from a low stimulus environment.
- Two run times are available:
 - The first will be a quieter, sensory considered run with no music. **Please note** some unavoidable noise sources such as generators, inflatable start arch, and general crowd noise.

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Route & Terrain

- The Colour Dash route is accessible for wheelchair users, mobility aids, and pushchairs. The run/walk takes place on the 400m outdoor running track.
- Venue surfaces include pavement, synthetic running track, sports hall flooring, and gravel parking areas, with a combination of flat pathways and slight inclines/declines.
- The sports hall is accessible via either steps or a ramp.

Accessible Facilities

- Accessible parking will be available close to the start/finish area.
- Access to the main stadium area is via a slight decline on a paved path; access to the sports hall requires a slight incline.
- Accessible toilets will be provided on-site. Dougie Mac will also provide a portable hoist and bariatric bed for changing facilities. A trained member of staff will be on hand to support with hoist use.
- Seating and rest points will be available for anyone who needs them. Stadium seating is accessible via steps.

Assistance Animals

Registered assistance dogs are welcome. Please note that due to the nature of the event, assistance dogs may come into contact with non toxic, corn-starch-based coloured powder:

- It is unlikely to cause irritation; if it does, wash with mild soap and water.
- Small accidental ingestion is not expected to be harmful, though it is not intended for consumption.

Companions & Support Runners

Companions and support runners are welcome and will need to register either on our website or on the day of the event.