

Our aim is to make the conference as accessible as possible for autistic delegates, please see below the arrangements we have put in place. If you have a specific requirement that is not listed, please contact us at events@scottishautism.org and we will do our best to accommodate you.



Registration

Registration can be a busy time. Autistic delegates staying the night prior to the conference will have the opportunity to register between 5pm and 6pm on the evening prior to the conference. There will also be an early registration opportunity between 7.30am and 8.00am on the morning of the conference so as to avoid the crowds.

Orientation

We will provide you with an information guide, which will include the programme and where each event will take place as well as floor plans for the venue. There will also be programmes placed in strategic places around the venue. The name of the rooms and a list of what sessions will be happening there will be outside each room.

Interaction Badges

Interaction badges will be available on the day of the event. The badges will allow you to indicate how you would like to interact with other delegates.

Sensory

Disposable earplugs will be available at the conference should you need to use them to help with any noise throughout the day.

Quiet Room

There will be a quiet room available at the conference. There will be signs to direct you to this space, however, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff and they will be happy to show you the way.

Quiet Lunch Space

There will be refreshments and lunch available in the quiet room so that autistic delegates can have refreshments and lunch in a less crowded environment if they wish. If you would like to know what the menu is in advance, please contact us to ask.

Seating and Reservation Signs

We will have reservation signs available should you wish to choose your own seat. This will allow you to leave your chair and come back to it later.

You can request these when you register or at any other time during the conference.

Questions

If you prefer not to ask questions aloud, you can leave written questions with the Chairperson in the session. Please note we cannot guarantee that they will select your question to answer.

Applause

Please note that instead of clapping, throughout our conference we will show our appreciation by waving (the British Sign Language expression for applause).