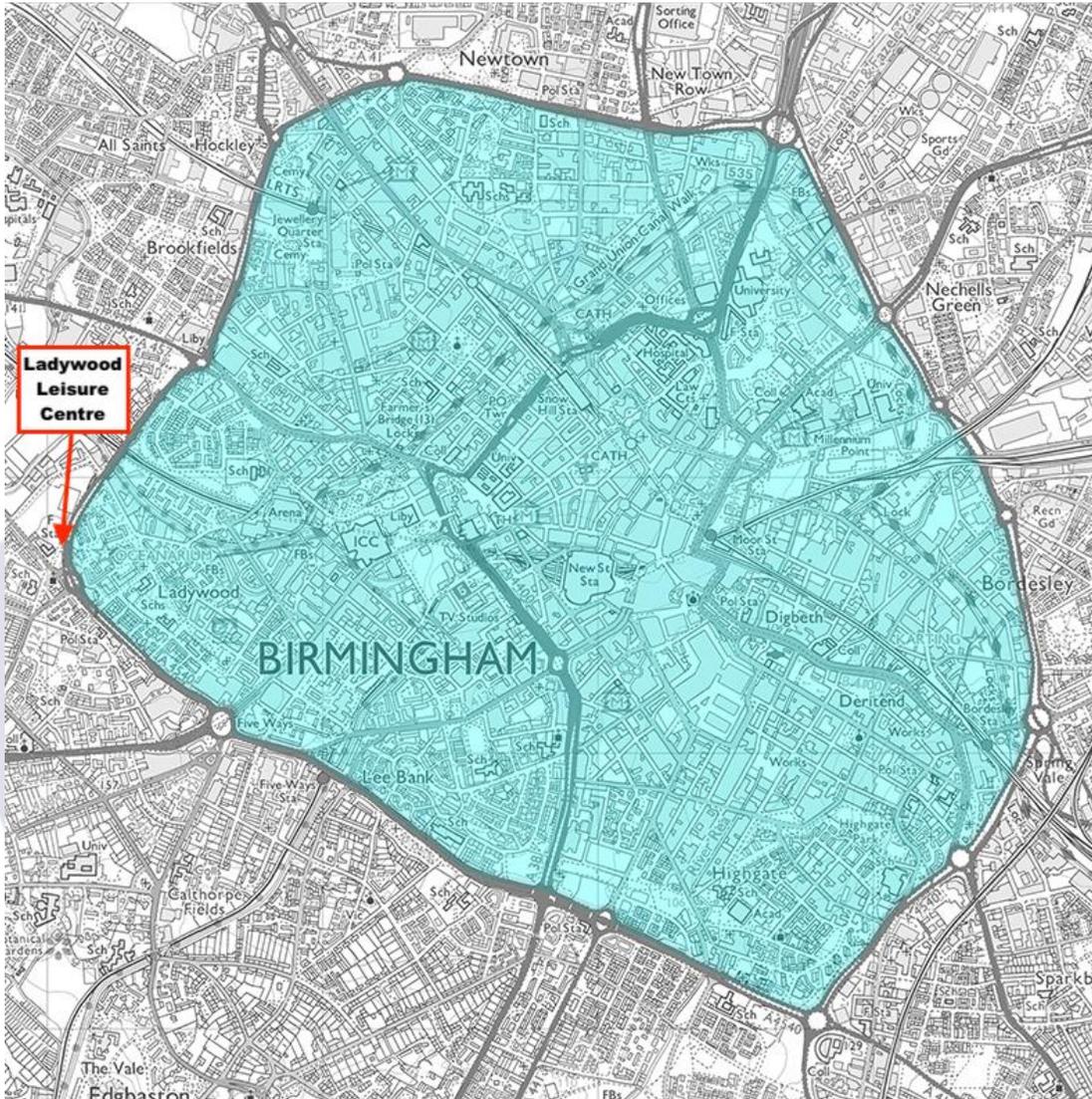


Travelling to Ladywood Leisure Centre

Arriving by car

Birmingham has recently imposed a clean air zone for the City Centre (see map). The pool itself is located just outside the clean air zone however, please check your route or your vehicle to ensure you're not receiving a charge. You will not need to pay and will not be charged if your vehicle meets specified emission standards. You can check your vehicle here: <https://www.gov.uk/clean-air-zones>



Parking

Parking at the pool is limited however, there are several large car parks within a 10-15min walk from the pool:

Broadway Plaza - <https://broadway-plaza.co.uk/Parking>
Arena Birmingham South Car Park (inside clean air zone) - https://en.parkopedia.co.uk/parking/carpark/arena_birmingham_south/b16/birmingham/?arriving=202109161600&leaving=202109161800

With limited parking at the pool, getting a taxi may be the best option to get from accommodation to the pool. Both Uber and Ola taxi services operate in Birmingham, with other normal taxi services also available.

Arriving by train

Grand Central New Street is the main station in the city. There are options to get a train (five ways station) or tram (library station) closer to the pool however, this will still leave you with a 20+min walk, so it may be easier to get a taxi from Grand Central itself.

Hotels

City centre - The closest hotel to the pool is **Travelodge Birmingham Central (Broadway Plaza)** at approximately a 10min walk. There is plenty of parking on site and there are a couple of restaurants within the Broadway Plaza complex but is also within walking distance of many restaurants located within the city centre.

The next nearest hotels are located in the city centre, approximately 20-25min walk (5min drive) from the pool but are located within busy areas for nightlife in Birmingham on the weekend. There are plenty of options in this area and at a reasonable price for the city centre however, it might be best to avoid the Broad Street area if you want the best chance of a quiet night.

(Check parking availability at the hotel; due to their location, it may be limited)

10-20min walk

Travelodge Birmingham Central Broadway Plaza - 11 min walk

Hilton Garden Inn Brindley Place - 17min walk

Premier inn broad street - 19min walk

Hampton by Hilton Birmingham Broad Street - 20min walk

Novotel Birmingham Centre - 20min walk

Other options are available in this area such as the Park Regis, Hyatt and Marriott.

20+min walk

Jurys Inn Birmingham - 22min walk

Premier Inn Bridge street - 27min walk

Hotel ibis Styles Birmingham Centre - 27min walk

Holiday Inn Express Birmingham City Centre - 27min walk

Crowne Plaza Birmingham City Centre - 27min walk

Hagley road - another few options are located on the Hagley Road. A main road into the city from the M5, the Hagley Road is a good location for accessing the pool by car however, it is more limited in terms of hotel options as well as restaurants, unless there is an on-site restaurant at the hotel itself.

10-20min walk

Best Western Plough and Harrow Hotel - 14min walk

20+min walk

Premier inn Birmingham Central (Hagley road) - 23min walk

Ibis Style Hagley road - 31min walk

Jewellery Quarter - located slightly further from the pool is the Jewellery Quarter. This is a nice area, much quieter than the City Centre with a good number of independent restaurants. There are limited options in the way of hotels in this area but there are also serviced apartments, which may be a good option if you're interested in self-catered facilities.

5min drive/20+min walk

Staycity Aparthotels - Birmingham Central Newhall Square - 27min walk

Bloc Hotel Birmingham - 31min walk

Hampton by Hilton Birmingham Jewellery Quarter - 33min walk

Other - whilst there are many hotels in the City Centre within a 30min walk of the pool, if you don't fancy navigating City Centre traffic on a Friday night there are options on the outskirts of the City. The NEC/Resorts World (by Birmingham International Airport) in particular has a wide range of hotels and restaurants.

NEC/Resorts world (approx. 25min drive)

Hilton Birmingham Metropole

Moxy Birmingham NEC

Hotel ibis Styles Birmingham NEC and Airport

Oldbury – M5, Junction 2

Holiday Inn Express Birmingham – Oldbury

Premier Inn Birmingham Oldbury

ibis Styles Birmingham Oldbury

Castle Bromwich and Fort Dunlop - M6, Junction 5 (approx. 20min drive)

Holiday Inn Express Birmingham - Castle Bromwich

Travelodge Birmingham Fort Dunlop

Supermarkets

Tesco - less than 20min walk

Morrisons - less than 20min walk

Both are straight forward walks and have good parking.

There are also plenty of convenience stores within the city centre.

Food

Lunch

There will be no catering on site at present so, we suggest bringing your own food for the day, alternatively there is a Subway just down the road at Broadway Plaza (12min walk).

Evening restaurants

Evening meals will ultimately depend on where your accommodation is based, with many good options throughout the city. Should you be wanting to eat out for an evening meal, we would suggest booking well in advance as you may struggle to find somewhere and get seated at a decent time, especially if there are a larger number of you as part of a team.

