

# **The National Association of Disabled Supporters**

*Promoting a Level Playing Field for all Football Fans!*



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## **Aims of the Association**

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1. To be a voice for supporters of all disability groups
2. To campaign for equality of supporter experience
3. To enrich lives of disabled people through football
4. To raise disability awareness

### **Join NADS Today!**

ANY DISABLED OR NON-DISABLED FAN, WHO WANTS TO HELP  
NADS ACHIEVE ITS AIMS CAN BECOME A MEMBER BY  
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## NADS Blueprint

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1. All supporters must be able to enjoy equality of experiences when attending a football match or event and following their team from home.
2. All club staff and officials should have received disability equality training and each club should appoint a dedicated Disability Liaison Officer (DLO).
3. Clubs should encourage their disabled supporters to set up their own Disabled Supporters Associations and ensure an ongoing and open dialogue with them on facilities and services, policies and all future plans.
4. All clubs should have a disability policy that details the clubs' guiding principles, practices and procedures for all aspects of the clubs' operations. This information should be publically available.
5. All clubs should have fully accessible information services that include web sites, TV channels, and information that is available in alternative formats.
6. All clubs to meet all aspects of Accessible Stadia, including the recommendations for seating numbers for disabled people in each category.
7. A senior member of the management board at each club should have overall responsibility for all disability issues.

## Minimum Standards

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1. Every disabled supporter to have the opportunity to sit with/alongside their own supporters
2. All disabled people to be treated with respect by all members of the club staff and match day stewards
3. Wheelchair users;
  - a. unobstructed view of the pitch at all times,
  - b. to have shelter from the weather,
  - c. all seating areas to be positioned in safe areas
4. Visually Impaired;
  - a. choice to sit anywhere in the ground,
  - b. all clubs to provide a dedicated audio descriptive commentary with suitable equipment,
  - c. clubs to make provisions for Guide Dogs,
  - d. information available in alternative formats
5. Hearing Impaired;
  - a. choice to sit anywhere in the ground,
  - b. text phone in ticket office and induction loop in ground,
  - c. provide written information and notices on scoreboards and in hand-outs
6. Ambulant;
  - a. a recognised definition of an ambulant disability,
  - b. accessible seating, with good sightlines and extra leg room.