



MILLENNIUM MAGIC 2008 - SPECTATOR INFORMATION
NB - SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN ANY PART OF THE MILLENNIUM STADIUM

Stadium Location

The Millennium Stadium is situated in the heart of Cardiff City Centre, on Westgate Street close to Cardiff Castle. Large crowds are expected on both days and traffic congestion is inevitable both in the City Centre and on surrounding routes. Please ensure that you allow sufficient time for your journey and for any unexpected delays.

How to Get There

From the North West: follow the M6, M5 and then either take the M50/A40/A449/M4 or continue down the M5 to it's junction with the M4

From the North East: Take the M1, then the M42, M5, then the M50/A40/A449/M4 or continue down the M5 to its junction with the M4

Travelling By Car

Please note there will be variable message signs displaying travel information, on all motorways routes into Cardiff. Please take note and follow the advice given. Traffic will be monitored by the Police and messages will be changed giving up-to-date advice during the day. Upon leaving the stadium, again follow the variable message signs, which will direct you to avoid the worst of the traffic.

Westgate Street will be pedestrianised commencing one hour prior to kick-off in the first match each day – from 2.00 pm on Saturday and 1.30 pm on Sunday. Westgate Street will remain closed to traffic until approximately 9.30 pm on Saturday and 9.00 pm on Sunday - one hour after the final whistle in the final game each day

Car Parking

Car parking in Cardiff City Centre is limited. However there will be a park & ride scheme in operation on both Saturday & Sunday.

P & R sites accessed from J33 of the M4 -

Cost £5/car

1. International Sports Village, Cardiff Bay (PURPLE CAR PARK)
2. County Hall (GREEN CAR PARK)

Drop off points will be-

ISV car park – Callaghan Square south, in lay-by

County Hall - Callaghan Square north, in lay-by by Ever Sheds

On Saturday the car parks will have a staff presence from 9:00 am, will open at 9:30am, with the first bus at 9:30am. The last bus will leave the pick-up point at 10:00pm with the car parks locked at 10:30pm. On Sunday the car parks will have a staff presence from 9:30am, will open at 10:00am, with the first bus at 10:00am. The last bus will leave the pick-up point at 9:30pm with the car parks locked at 10:00pm.

The following roads will be closed for coach parking on both days-

Museum Ave from its junction with Gorsedd Gardens to its junction with Corbett Road and **College Road** from its junction with Museum Ave to its junction with King Edward VII Ave.

Coach & Mini Bus Parking

Please be aware that there are no scheduled late trains from Cardiff to the North of England on either day. We would, therefore, encourage supporters to use their clubs' official coach travel for this event. On both match days coaches and mini buses will be directed to park at the Civic Centre coach park which is situated in the City Centre and is only a 5 minute walk to the Stadium. There are 350 spaces available and coach parking is free of charge. Coach passes will not be issued, parking will be on a first come first served basis. **Coaches will be directed to leave the M4 at J32 & use Museum Ave / College Rd, in the Civic centre.** The coach park will be open from 6.00 am on both days.

Accommodation

Although Cardiff's hotels and guest houses have reported heavy bookings from fans attending the event, you may still find vacancies at some hotels and bed and breakfast establishments within the city. You could also consider staying in some of the attractive places on the border between England and Wales or within Wales itself. Many of the towns or villages along the route to Cardiff offer great hospitality, sensational scenery, great shopping and easy access to Cardiff and the Millennium Stadium.

To help you in your search for the package that suits you we have compiled the following list of tourist contact points as well as their distances from Cardiff: -

Town	Tel #	Miles	Web Site	E-mail
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		from Cardiff (approx)		
Welsh Tourist board	08708 300301	N/A	www.visitwales.co.uk	info@visitwales.co.uk
Abergavenny	01873 853254	50	www.abergavenny.co.uk	
Bath	0906 7112000	56	www.visitbath.co.uk	tourism@bathtourism.co.uk
Bridgend	01656 672928	22	www.glamorganheritagecoast.com	bridgendtic@bridgend.gov.uk
Bristol	0845 4080474	48	www.visitbristol.co.uk	ticharbourside@destinationbristol.co.uk
Caerleon, Gwent	01633 422656	16	www.newport.gov.uk/tourism	caerleon.tic@newport.gov.uk
Cardiff	08701 211258	N/A	www.visitcardiff.com	visitor@cardiff.gov.uk
Cheltenham	01242 522878	69	www.visitcheltenham.com	info@cheltenham.gov.uk
Chepstow		32	www.visitwyevalley.com	
Gloucester	01452 396572	65	www.visitgloucester.info	tourism@gloucester.gov.uk
Hereford	01432 260621	60	www.visitherefordshire.co.uk	tourism@visitherefordshire.co.uk
Merthyr Tydfil	01685 379884	24	www.merthyr.gov.uk	tic@merthyr.gov.uk
Monmouth	0844 8845097	40	www.monmouth.org.uk	info@monmouth.org.uk
Neath – Port Talbot	01639 636674		www.npt.gov.uk/discover	aberdulais@nationaltrust.org.uk
Newport, Gwent	01633 842962	15	www.newport.gov.uk	newport.tic@newport.gov.uk
Porthcawl	01656 654906		www.visitbridgend.com	bridgendtic@bridgend.gov.uk
Ross-on- Wye	01989 562768	50	www.visitherefordshire.co.uk	tic-ross@herefordshire.gov.uk
Stroud	01453 760960	59	www.stroud.gov.uk	tic@stroud.gov.uk
Swansea	01792 468321	43	www.visitswanseabay.com	tourism@swansea.gov.uk
Tenby	01834 842402	94	www.visitpembrokeshire.com	tenby.tic@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

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Food & Drink

Spectators are not allowed to take their own food and drink into the stadium.

Food & refreshments are available at concessions inside the stadium.

- ◆ Bars will be open throughout each day, but will close 15 minutes prior to kick off in the final game each day and will not re-open
- ◆ Alcoholic drinks are allowed to be taken into the stadium bowl
- ◆ There are bars in the concourses in all sections of the stadium
- ◆ Hot and cold snacks & soft drinks are available in the ground from turnstiles opening through to the end of the final game each day. Spectators will be able to access the food outlets on all levels of the stadium, ie spectators with tickets for level 3 will be allowed access to the concessions on level 6



Middle Tier - Reserved Tickets

Please ensure that you sit in the seat indicated on your ticket.

It is important that you ensure that you retain your ticket throughout the day even after entering the stadium grounds, as stewards may request to see this again should you leave your seat at any time.

Upper and Lower Tiers - Unreserved Tickets

Please enter the stadium via the gate indicated on your ticket.

Certain seats will be marked as RESERVED (specifically near to wheelchair platforms and dug outs) and will therefore not be available for unreserved ticket holders. Please ensure that you do not sit in any seat marked reserved if you have a ticket for an unreserved area.

It is important to note that should spectators vacate their seats it may not be possible to return to the same seat at a later time.

Student Identification

If you have purchased a ticket for a student concession you may be asked to show relevant identification at the turnstiles. Please ensure that you have appropriate ID with you, i.e. student union card.

Pass Outs

Spectators who wish to leave the stadium with the intention of returning later in the day, may do so but **MUST** first ensure that they are issued with a wristband by a stadium steward, to enable them to gain re-entry. Wristbands will be provided at the designated exit/re-entry gates. Once issued, wristbands must be worn at all times. In addition all spectators must also retain their match ticket. Spectators will only be able to re-enter the stadium on production of the wristband and a match ticket. Wristbands that have been removed will be considered null and void.

Ground Regulations - In particular please note:

- ◆ Fireworks, smoke canisters, knives, bottles, glasses, cans, or other articles which might be used as a weapon, missile, or used to cause annoyance are not permitted within the Ground and will be confiscated.
- ◆ The use of foul and abusive language, obscene chanting or racial abuse towards any person is strictly forbidden.
- ◆ Unauthorised persons are strictly forbidden from entering the field of play. Anyone doing so will be removed from the ground.
- ◆ The use of air horns, klaxons, whistles and any other item likely to cause confusion, annoyance or nuisance of any kind are not permitted in any part of the ground
- ◆ Spectators are not allowed to take alcohol into the Stadium
- ◆ Spectators are not allowed to take their own food or soft drinks into the stadium
- ◆ All spectators entering the stadium are admitted subject to the understanding that they may be required to submit to a search to prevent dangerous items being brought into the ground which might be used to cause injury or damage to other people or property. This is particularly relevant to anyone bringing in large bags or rucksacks.
- ◆ With the exception of authorised press representatives holding official passes, the taking of photographs or cine/video photography inside the ground is prohibited