

Hazards identified	Associated risks	Mitigations
Adverse weather conditions.	The walk becomes dangerous or more difficult.	All walks have a pre-meeting to discuss go/no go criteria. The Walk-ability leader reserves the right to cancel or postpone the walk.
Tricky terrain.	There may be trips or falls, leading to serious injury or (in the extreme) death.	All walks will be led by at least one qualified guide ¹ , who is qualified in first aid and emergency procedures. Furthermore, all routes will be assessed by Walk-ability before the walk for suitability to the clients' abilities. Note that Walk-ability leaders have specific experience of guiding disabled clients and of choosing suitable routes.
Unfamiliar location.	The party gets lost.	Walk-ability leaders will only lead walks they have done many times before and where they feel fully confident.
Fatigue	The walk aim (typically a summit) becomes untenable.	All Walk-ability walks have a "Plan B", agreed during the pre-meeting. Safety of clients is the prime concern, so leaders reserve the right to curtail walks at any time if they consider it to be too taxing. If necessary, they will invoke appropriate emergency procedures.
Thirst, hunger	The walk aim (typically a summit) becomes untenable.	As above. The pre-meeting will cover kit requirements, including food and drink. Moreover, the leader will have emergency rations.
Hypo-, hyper-thermia, sunburn, blisters &c.	As above, with the added risk of medical complications.	As above. All Walk-ability leaders have a current First Aid certificate.
Roads / traffic	Road traffic accidents.	Typically, Walk-ability routes don't use roads. Where they do, high-visibility jackets will be provided.
Guide / client ratio	Insufficient attention to one or more clients.	Walk-ability will provide, as a minimum, one fully qualified leader per disabled client.

¹ Qualified **Walk-ability** guides have, as a minimum, ML(S) award, current First Aid and PVG disclosure. ML(S) is the UK-wide qualification for hill walking leaders. Administered by *Mountain Training*, the awarding body for skills courses and qualifications in walking, climbing and mountaineering in the UK, it covers navigation, emergency procedures, steep ground security, team management &c.