



Workplace Safety and Insurance Appeals Tribunal (WSIAT)
HOW TO GET TO YOUR IN-PERSON WSIAT HEARING

The WSIAT holds oral hearings in the following ways:

- Remotely by videoconference (currently the most common method) or teleconference ;
- In person at the WSIAT’s main office in Toronto;
- In person at the WSIAT’s regional office in Hamilton;
- At regional hearing locations throughout the province of Ontario, usually at a hotel; and
- Mixed or hybrid method – for example, one party attends in person and another party participates by telephone.

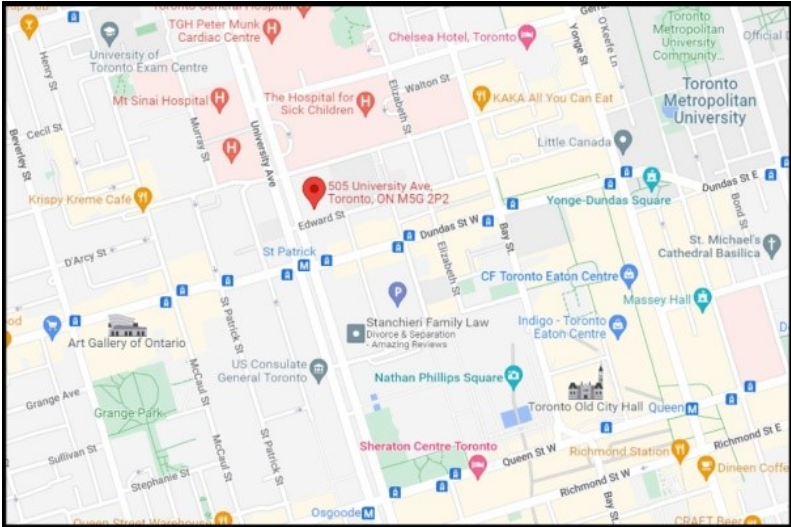
The main purpose of this document is to give you information about how to get to an in-person hearing at the WSIAT offices.

For more information please also see the [WSIAT Appeal Process: Scheduling the Hearing](#) and [WSIAT Guidelines for the Gradual Resumption of In-Person Hearings During COVID-19](#). There are also links to information about remote hearings (videoconference and teleconference), below.

TORONTO

The WSIAT is located at 505 University Avenue in downtown Toronto, Ontario.

The WSIAT is located on the east side of University Avenue, one block north of Dundas Street and one block south of the SickKids Hospital.



You can travel to the WSIAT using:

- Public transit – Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)
- Regional transit
- Driving

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Subway – St. Patrick subway station is the closest station to the WSIAT. The WSIAT is located on the east side of University Avenue and is north of St. Patrick subway station. St. Patrick subway station is accessible by elevator, escalator and stairs.

Streetcar – The WSIAT is along Dundas streetcar route #505 with a stop at St. Patrick subway station.

Bus – The WSIAT is along TTC bus routes #142 with a stop at Dundas Street West, one block south of the WSIAT on University Avenue, and #13B with a stop at the corner of University Avenue and Gerrard Street West, one block north of the WSIAT.

Regional Transit

GO Transit (regional train and bus service) – You can travel on GO Transit to Union Station. You can access the TTC subway network at Union station and then travel to St. Patrick subway station.

VIA Rail (national train service) – You can travel on Via Rail to Union Station. You can access the TTC subway network at Union station and then travel to St. Patrick subway station.

Driving

The WSIAT is located on the northbound lanes of University Avenue, on the east side, at Edward Street, north of Dundas Street West.

From Highway 400: take the Highway 401 east exit, then take the Allen Road exit and go south, turn left onto Eglinton Avenue West, then turn right onto Bathurst Street, turn left onto Dundas Street West and then left onto University Avenue.

From Highway 401: take the Don Valley Parkway south exit toward Downtown. Take the Downtown Richmond Street exit, make a slight turn to your left onto Eastern Avenue, which will turn into Richmond Street East. Turn right onto University Avenue.

From the Queensway West: take the Gardiner Expressway East, take the York/Bay Street exit towards Yonge Street, take the York ramp towards Bay Street North, stay straight to go onto York Street, then turn left onto University Avenue.

Parking

There are paid public parking lots (pay to park) at the following locations close to the WSIAT:

- Southeast corner of University Avenue and Elm Street;
- Southeast corner of Edward and Centre Streets, east of University Avenue; and
- Northeast corner of Edward and Elizabeth Streets, east of University Avenue.

Entrance, Elevators and Reception

The main doors of 505 University are located on the east side of University Avenue and are accessible to wheelchairs and other mobility devices.

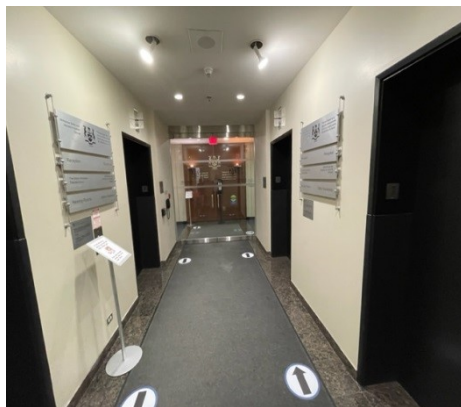


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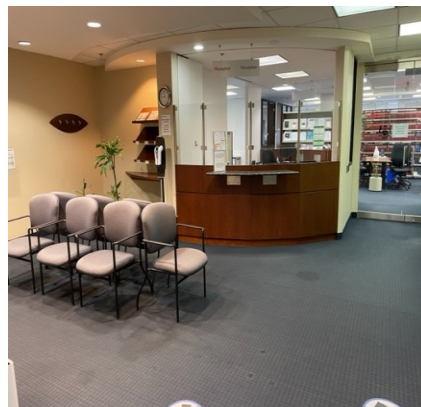


Main Elevators

The WSIAT's reception and hearing rooms are located on the 7th floor, which can be reached using the building's main elevators located in the building lobby.



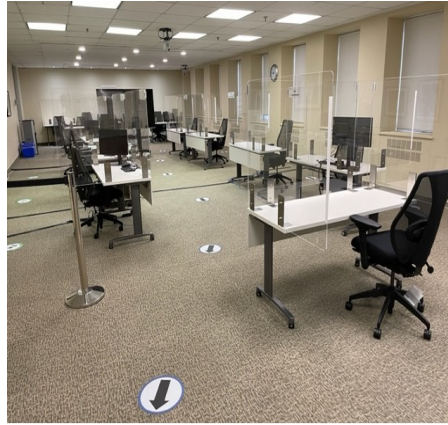
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Reception



Hearing Room 3
(7th Floor)



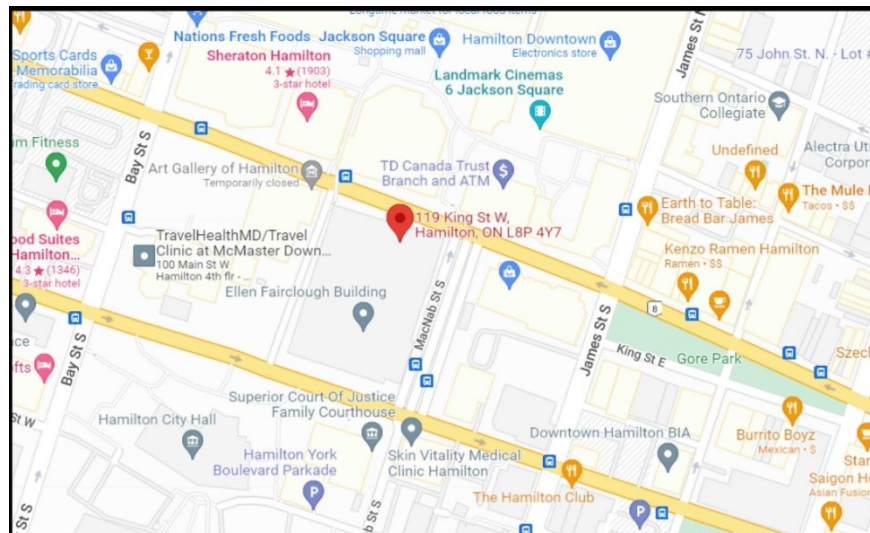
Ian J. Strachan Conference
Centre (5th Floor)

The elevators and WSIAT public spaces, including the washrooms and library are accessible.

Parties and representatives should check in with reception on the 7th floor before their scheduled hearing.

HAMILTON

The WSIAT's Hamilton Hearing Centre is located on the 14th floor of 119 King Street West (the Ellen Fairclough Building) near the intersection of James Street South and King Street West, close to Hamilton City Hall, the Hamilton Convention Centre and the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel.



Public Transit

HSR (municipal bus service) – The closest HRS (Hamilton Street Railway) bus stops to the WSIAT Hamilton Hearing Centre are:

- King Street and James Street North;
- Main Street West and Summers Lane; and
- MacNab Bus Terminal.

GO Transit (regional train service) - Hamilton GO Centre is the closest GO Transit train stop to the WSIAT.

GO Transit (regional bus service) – The GO Transit bus stop on the corner of Main Street West and Summers Lane, in front of City Hall, is the closest bus stop to the WSIAT.

Driving

From Niagara Falls: take the Queen Elizabeth Way (QEW) West to Highway 403 Hamilton, then take the Main Street East Exit, turn left on MacNab Street South and turn left on King Street West.

From Highway 403: take Highway 403 West Brantford/Hamilton, then take the Main Street East Exit, turn left on MacNab Street South and turn left on King Street West.

From Highway 401: take Highway 6 South, then take ramp onto Highway 403 West, then take the Main Street East Exit, turn left on MacNab Street South and turn left on King Street West.

Parking

There is paid public parking (pay to park) available close to the WSIAT Hamilton Hearing Centre at the:

- King Street West underground lot, operated by the City of Hamilton;
- Jackson Square underground lot; and
- Street parking is available.

Entrance, Elevators and Reception

The main doors of 119 King Street West are located on the south side of King Street West and are accessible to wheelchairs and other mobility devices.



119 King Street West

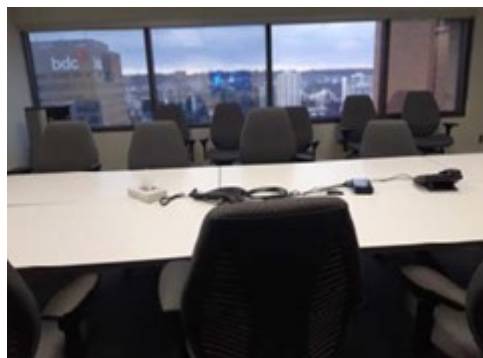
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Waiting Area



Hearing Room

REGIONAL HEARING LOCATIONS

WSIAT in-person hearings also take place in London, Oshawa, Ottawa, Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury, Thunder Bay, Timmins, Toronto and Windsor. In-person hearings that take place at these locations are usually scheduled in conference rooms at local hotels.

Questions about attending a regional hearing can be directed to the WSIAT Hearing Coordinator for your matter or by calling the WSIAT Call Centre from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday at 416-314-8800 or toll-free at 1-888-618-8846.

REMOTE (VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE) HEARINGS

The WSIAT also holds oral hearings by videoconference, or by teleconference. It is possible that a matter may also be heard using a mixed or hybrid method, that is, some participants attend in one format (for example, in-person) while other participants attend in another format (for example, by teleconference).

More information about teleconference and videoconference hearings at the WSIAT can be found on our website:

- [Best Practices: Teleconference and Videoconference Hearing Information for Representatives and Parties](#)
- [Tips for an Electronic WSIAT Hearing](#)
- [WSIAT Guidelines for Teleconference and Videoconference Hearing Expenses](#)

ACCOMMODATION

Requests for accommodation are considered by the WSIAT on an individual basis and every reasonable effort is made to accommodate requests. More information about requesting accommodation can be found on the [WSIAT's Accessibility and Diversity](#) webpage.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions please call our Call Centre from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday at 416-314-8800 or toll-free at 1-888-618-8846.

You can also email us with general inquiries at WSIATCallCentre@wst.gov.on.ca. Please do not send case-related information or attachments to us via email. We will delete emails containing case-related information because we are obligated to protect the confidentiality of all personal information.