



Feeding your Baby whilst visiting the Royal Pavilion & Museums

We are proud to be a breastfeeding friendly venue and welcome breastfeeding in all areas of our premises.

In England and Wales your right to breastfeed in public is covered by The Equality Act 2010 which states "A business cannot discriminate against mothers who are breastfeeding a child of any age."

This means;

- It is unlawful for the owners, staff or customers to ask you (and anyone with you) to leave the premises because you are breastfeeding a child.
- It is unlawful for the owners or staff of a business to refuse to serve you (and anyone with you) because you are breastfeeding a child
- You are within your rights to breastfeed in public open spaces.

What's more, businesses in England and Wales must also

- Make sure any woman they are providing a service to is allowed to breastfeed on their premises if she wants to.
- To make sure that women are not discriminated against, harassed or victimised because they are breastfeeding a baby.
- Make sure employees have training, so they are aware of the protection from discrimination given to breastfeeding mothers under the law.

Facilities available

All staff at the Royal Pavilion & Museums are aware that they, or any visitor to our sites, would be acting unlawfully if they asked you to stop feeding your baby. We do offer specific areas for you to feed your child, although these are public areas and may not always be quiet. These areas are also offered to prepare and feed bottles, they are as follows;

Brighton Museum and Art Gallery – The foyer, there are tables and chairs available to use

Royal Pavilion – The Pavilion Tearoom and the Pavilion Tea Shop

Preston Manor – The Macquoid room; there is a comfy sofa available to use

Booth Museum of Natural History – the Insect Gallery; although this is a public space with no privacy it is the best area of the museum for feeding your baby

Hove Museum & Art Gallery – The Pocock room and adjoining gallery

Bottle warming facilities

If your baby is bottle fed, The Pavilion Tearoom and The Pavilion Tea Shop will make hot water available to you at no charge, however, they are unable to heat any bottles for you. There are no bottle warming facilities at any of our other sites.

Areas listed above are designated for both bottle and breastfeeding.

If for any reason you are asked to stop feeding your baby while you are visiting any of our sites, please contact any member of staff and ask to speak to the Duty Manager.