

How to get to Lymington New Forest Hospital

Wellworthy Road
Lymington SO41 8QD

The hospital is located north of Lymington at Ampress Park on the A337 Lymington to Brockenhurst road.

There are regular bus services from Brockenhurst, which stop at the hospital. There is a local service through Lymington town centre.

Lymington is served by a Heritage Railway line from Brockenhurst that currently terminates near Lymington town centre.



CT Scan

Patient information

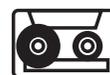
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What is a CT scan?

CT stands for 'computerised tomography'. This is a specialised form of x-ray examination which uses an x-ray beam and an array of very sensitive detectors.

The scanner takes pictures which are like very thin slices of the body, which can then be manipulated to be viewed in any plane or in 3-D. The scanner itself is like a large polo mint—it is not a tunnel, and you are not closed in.

What will I have to do before my scan?

If we are scanning your chest, abdomen or pelvis you may be asked to drink something in the hour before your scan. This may be either plain water, or water mixed with a substance to make your bowel show up white on the pictures. You will be informed of what to do on arrival at the department.

If we are scanning any other part of your body no preparation is necessary.

What happens during the scan?

You will be asked to lie on the scanner table, and the table will move so that the part we are scanning will be in the centre of the aperture. Unless we are scanning your head or neck you will go in feet first, and your head will not go through the scanner.

For many scans an automatic voice will ask you to breathe in and hold your breath for a few seconds while the machine is scanning, and you will feel the table move.

For many scans it will be necessary to give you an injection of iodine to outline various structures on the pictures. If you are allergic to iodine or suffer from kidney problems you must inform the radiographer before your scan starts.

When will I get my results?

After your examination there will be many images which will need to be reviewed so we will not be able to give you an instant result.

You will need to make an appointment with the doctor who referred you for the test to discuss the results.

