

Directions to Stechford Cascades

FROM M6 (M1) NORTH, M5 NORTH AND M40 NORTH

For those with SatNav: Post code is – B33 8QN

From the M1 take junction 19 for M6 north and Birmingham (now go to M6 North below)

From the M5 North take junction 4a for M42 and continue to junction 7 to join the M6 northbound (now go to M6 North below)

From M40 take junction 3a to join the M42 for Birmingham North. Continue on M42 to junction 7 and join the M6 northbound (now go to M6 North below)

M6 North

Continue on M6 towards Birmingham, passing the NEC turns exiting at Junction 5. At the end of the slip road is a 'fast' island with traffic lights. You need the second exit left onto a short stretch of dual carriageway (Newport Road). At the next island you need the outside lane to turn right (second exit) with the 'Clock Garage' on your right (Coleshill Road A47). Continue along the single carriage road to the next island just past the 'Hunter's Moon' pub on your left. You will bear left (the second exit) along Stechford Road (B4147). Continue along this road to the next 'T'-Junction and traffic lights. Turn left here and be in the left hand lane the short distance to the next island where you turn left into Station Road. Continue past the 'B&Q' on your right. (Now refer to the 'Complicated Bit' at the end of this guide)

FROM M6 SOUTH

Leave the M6 at junction 6 ('Spaghetti Junction'). Keep in the left hand lane on the slip road (do not take the A38M) to exit the motorway underneath the junction. At the island you need the third exit left onto a dual carriageway (Tyburn Road – A38) with a 'bus lane' – the bus lane is not now in use. Continue along this road till you come to the second set of right filter traffic lights (the first set is for the Gravelly Industrial Estate) signposted to A47 and 'The Fort Shopping Centre' where you need to turn right to travel a short distance (Wheelwright Road) to the next lights – if you miss this filter you will cross a major junction with a Mercedes Car Sales on your right – turn round and come back to the car Sales and turn left into Bromford Lane – now continue with guidance from (*) below. Turn right at these lights into Bromford Lane – big Oil Depot on your left. (*) Continue to the next island with the turn to the 'Fort Shopping Centre' on your left – you will be going straight on at this large island, which goes over the railway line and under the motorway – be in the left hand lane as you go around this island and filter off to the left. At next two sets of lights, straight on (Bromford pub on your left and motorbike showroom on right) – still Bromford Lane. Keep on this dual carriageway, past Stechford Police Station on your left (speed trap cameras in operation) and straight on at the lights to the next traffic lights (Fox and Goose pub on your right, bingo hall and supermarket on the opposite corner). Go straight on at these lights along the dual carriageway to the next set of lights. Be in the left hand lane and continue straight on the short distance to the next island where you turn left. Continue past the closed (and now demolished!) 'Manor House' pub on your left and 'B&Q' on your right. (Now refer to the 'Complicated Bit' at the end of this guide)

The Complicated Bit – take care!

The next little bit is where Station Road goes around a one way 'island' of buildings. It is over complicated by the shopping centre, which you do not want to go into so a little care is needed. However, you are only two minutes from the pool so any error should not lead to you being lost forever in darkest Brum!

The road now goes to the left and immediately you then need to be in the right hand lane for about 50 metres to a set of traffic lights. At these lights you need to be in the inside (left hand) lane to turn right (not to go 'straight on' into the shopping centre). Another 50 metres (Iron Lane) in the left hand lane and turn sharp left up the hill (back into Station Road). The pool is about half a mile on your left at the end of a group of shops. Take the second entrance to the main public car park or first entrance for a smaller car park (both are limited and you must not block access).