

Low cost MLAK keys may be purchased from Master Locksmiths Association of Australasia (MLAA) members Australia wide.

For the name and location of your nearest MLAA member please contact:

**National Office MLAA on  
Free Call 1800 810 698**

or log on to the website:

[www.masterlocksmiths.com.au](http://www.masterlocksmiths.com.au)

or see over page for two Blue Mountains MLAA members.

*Note: There are also a number of MLAA members in the **Penrith** region.*

Spinal Cord Injuries Australia (SCIA) has a register of where the locks are fitted.

The Master Locksmith Access Key System has been developed to improve access for people with disabilities.

MLAK has been designed to improve and not to encourage owners to lock their accessible facilities.

### Websites to view at your leisure:

1. **The National Public Toilet Map**  
[www.toiletmap.gov.au](http://www.toiletmap.gov.au)
2. **Spinal Cord Injuries Australia (SCIA)**  
[www.scia.org.au](http://www.scia.org.au)
3. **Blue Mountains City Council's Access & Equity** page at [www.bmcc.nsw.gov.au](http://www.bmcc.nsw.gov.au)
4. **Master Locksmiths Assoc. of Australasia (MLAA)** [www.masterlocksmiths.com.au](http://www.masterlocksmiths.com.au)

*Council managed ACCESSIBLE Public Toilets in the Blue Mountains with a MLAK includes:*

1. **Mt Wilson Rural Fire Station** - The Avenue (opposite the Mt Wilson Village Hall)
2. **Blackheath Carpark**, Govetts Leap Rd (near Ivanhoe Hotel & Victory Theatre Antiques)
3. **Sutton Park, Blackheath** - Great Western Hwy, (just South of the township)
4. **Medlow Bath Park**, Railway Pde, Medlow Bath
5. **"Studleigh Place"**, Katoomba St, Katoomba (next door to the Telstra building)
6. **Leura Mall Carpark** - Megalong St, Leura
7. **Springwood Carpark North**, Macquarie Rd (north of road, not far from the Post Office)
8. **Coronation Park, Wentworth Falls** - (opposite the shops near the War Memorial)
9. **Glenbrook Park - Ross St** (located behind Glenbrook Visitors Information Centre)
10. **Blaxland Mall** - Station St (near shops & Hwy footbridge)



### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

**Spinal Cord Injuries Australia (SCIA)**  
Tel. (02) 9661 8855  
Tel. 1800 819 775  
or

**The Master Locksmiths Association of Australasia Ltd (MLAA) on:**  
Tel. 1800 810 698

or

**Contact the Aged & Disability Services Development Officer at BMCC on**  
Tel. 4780 5546 or 4780 5000

*"Making Community Facilities Accessible"*

# ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



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## MASTER LOCKSMITH ACCESS KEY SYSTEM

*Winner of National Award for  
Innovation in Local Government  
Citizens Services*



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*Produced by Blue Mountains City Council with permission of MLAA (Aug 2007) to help raise the profile of this key system in our local area.*

# The Master Locksmith Access Key

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### The Master Locksmith Access Key

The Master Locksmith Access Key (**MLAK**) is an innovative system that allows 24 hours a day access to public facilities (e.g. toilets for people with a disability). It was introduced in the mid 1990s and is recognised Australia wide.

Accessible facilities should be open during the day, however sometimes it is necessary to lock them after hours (e.g. to protect community building assets overnight and to ensure the facility is ready and available for the next day).

The MLAK is designed to **INCREASE ACCESS** to facilities that would under normal circumstances be locked after hours.

The MLAK will reduce the level of vandalism, keep facilities clean and at the same time overcome the obstacle of accessible toilets being locked.

Your Blue Mountains MLAA members are:

#### All-Locks Master Locksmiths

Unit 2/29 Attunga Rd, Blaxland  
Tel. (02) 4739 3656  
[www.all-locks.com.au](http://www.all-locks.com.au)

#### Lock Logic

Shop 7 Pioneer Place,  
Katoomba Tel. (02) 4782 2296  
[www.locklogic.com.au](http://www.locklogic.com.au)



### Eligibility

Access is restricted to people who have a disability

**OR**

Those who have written authority from

- ◆ A Doctor
- ◆ A Disability Organisation
- ◆ A Community Health Centre
- ◆ The Centre Management or owner of a building with an accessible toilet on site

Eligible people will be able to purchase a key that will open all accessible toilets that display the MLAK key symbol below:

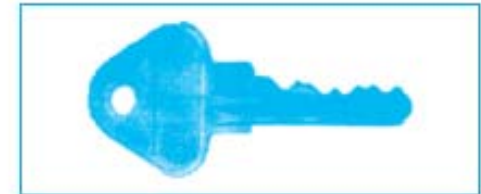


MLAK key symbol

### What is the MLAK?

The MLAK is a master key that fits into specially designed locks.

**Two types of key** will be available, a standard triangular head key:



and one with a specially designed large head for use by people with impaired hand function.



The specially designed key head takes advantage of a device, called a Lederer Key Leverage Aid, which was designed by Technical Aid for the Disabled (TAD).