



## FUENGIROLA ACCESSIBLE

Fuengirola was a pioneer city in Andalusia in the creation of **adapted beaches**, 20 years ago now. In fact, nowadays all the beaches of its coast (El Castillo, Fuengirola, Boliches-Gaviotas and Carvajal) have a plot available for people with reduced mobility. In each of these spaces, users have adapted toilets and showers, chairs, amphibious crutches and cranes to help users bathe.

Throughout the summer season, the adapted beaches are attended daily by qualified personnel, at no cost to those attending. These professionals work providing their service between **11:00 and 20:00 hours**.

As a novelty, since the 2020 season, the Town Hall has set up a free telephone number so that people interested in coming to one of these plots can **reserve their space** in advance, for their convenience. The contact number is **673 907 233**. It also works any day of the week, within the same hours that the workers are in the enabled areas.

On the other hand, since 2018, San Francisco beach has a platform that facilitates bathing adapted to the elderly and people with mobility problems. The facility, which will remain installed every year until 30 September, consists of a perimeter platform with buoys to limit the space in which users can swim comfortably, as well as two handrails that facilitate access to the water and a bench area with 22 semi-submerged seats.

For greater safety, this area is staffed by lifeguards who permanently monitor the area and help bathers if necessary.

The beaches are not the only accessible facilities in the city. Since the beginning of 2020, **the Peace Palace, the House of Culture and the Royal Hall of the Town Hall** -which host many cultural and social events during the year- have new systems that allow for an improved reception of people with **hearing problems** and who need hearing aids to be able to hear clearly. It is a loop system based on a wiring that runs through part of the seating of a public space, so that those who feel close to this location receive the sounds more clearly, without reverberations or other disturbances.