

DIRECTIONS TO BIRD ARENA ON THE OHIO UNIVERSITY CAMPUS FROM STATE ROUTES 33, 50 OR 32: TAKE THE OHIO UNIVERSITY EXIT FOR SPECIAL EVENTS PARKING **Exit 17**. (ROUTE 682 RICHLAND AVE., NOT 682 THE PLAINS). AT THE END OF THE EXIT RAMP AND AT THE FIRST TRAFFIC LIGHT TURN RIGHT. (Richland Ave) AT THE NEXT TRAFFIC LIGHT TURN RIGHT (South Green Dr.) (FOOTBALL STADIUM WILL BE ON YOUR RIGHT). TURN LEFT ON TO THE FIRST STREET ON THE LEFT THAT YOU COME TO (Oxbow). (There is a park with a pond and paved path around it called Emeriti Park. Turn left at that corner) GO APPROXIMATELY 200 YARDS; BIRD ARENA IS ON THE LEFT. THE ARENA DOES NOT HAVE A SIGN ON THE FRONT.

Parking Instructions

The parking area is under the new student union directly across the rink. You will see the entryway to the parking lot on your right just as you drive under the bridge. The cost is 50 cents an hour. It is an unmanned lot so bring quarters or fresh dollar bills for the machine that lets you out. Walk to the furthest exit in the lot. The stairs will bring you up less than 50 feet of the Bird Arena doors. There is also an elevator if needed that will take you up to the first floor if stairs are an obstacle for anyone. **Do not park at the upper level (outdoor) parking lot next to the student union. Those spots are for OU employees with a specific pass.**

THERE ARE A FEW METERED PARKING SPOTS IN THE PARKING LOT NEXT TO BIRD ARENA. THERE ARE ALSO METERS YOU CAN PARK AT DURING SPECIFIC TIMES. PLEASE READ THE DIRECTIONS. ALSO BE AWARE THERE IS ONE PARKING METER FOR TWO SPOTS. MAKE SURE YOU PUSH THE RIGHT BUTTON (A OR B) BEFORE YOU PUT YOUR MONEY IN IT. Please pass this information out to all your parents. Each year people get tickets and get upset with me because they did not get these directions.

For free parking. Go back to South Green Drive turn left. The next street on your left is University Terrace. Turn there. As you get to the middle of an “S” curve (left then right) you will see you can turn left into a parking lot behind Clippinger Hall. Drive to the end of the lot. You will see the pond at Emeriti Park. Take the sidewalk behind the pond to Bird Arena. It is about a 50-yard walk.

Directions to The Hampton Inn:

Go back to South Green Drive turn right. Turn left at the first traffic light (Richland Ave) Turn left at the next traffic light. (St Rt. 682) You will be going up a hill with the football stadium on your left. Stay in the left lane until you merge onto St Rt.33 west / St Rt. 50 east. As soon as you can, get into the right lane. There is an exit for St Rt 33 **Exit 16-B** (Columbus and State St.) Get off that exit. The State St exit will be a quarter mile away on you right **Exit 15**. Go to the traffic light and turn right. You will go past the retail zone. The Hampton is about 2 miles on your left across from Lowe’s.

If you miss the Columbus/East State St Exit don’t get too worried. You will just follow 50 East along the river. E State is on the other side of the river. There is another entrance for E State past the retail area. Get off that exit and head back into town.

Directions to the rink from the Hotel: Go to State St. turn right. Go back to routes 33 and 50. Turn left at the second entrance. (The first one is for Rt. 33 west to Columbus) (the Second one is Rt. 33 east to Pomeroy)
Go back to St. Rt. 682 (exit 17) and exit by the stadium and repeat everything.