

## Checklist for booking a BSL/English interpreter

## Before you book a BSL/English interpreter:

✓	What is the date, start time and location of the booking?	
✓	What is the nature of the booking? (e.g. an interview, a meeting, a conference etc).	
₹	How many interpreters will you need?	
✓	Have you set a realistic budget for access costs?	
✓	Are there any specific Language requirements? (e.g. BSL/SSE/Deafblind/Visual frame)	
✓	How many participants will there be? (is it a 1:1 or a group? How many Deaf BSL users will be present?)	

## **Details for on the day of the booking:**

$\checkmark$	How long will the assignment last (and have you allowed extra time for the event running over)?	
✓	Have you accounted for breaks? (It's not only the interpreters that require breaks - Deaf people using interpreting services will need regular eye breaks, as focusing for long periods is very tiring)	
✓	Will there be multiple rooms or break out groups at the event?	
⋖	Who is the point of contact for the event?	
✓	Are there any access issues to be aware of (e.g. you need to arrive 30 minutes ahead of time to get through security/parking etc)	

## Preparation to provide interpreter/s at least one week before the booking:

✓	Is there an agenda, previous minutes or a presentation that can be shared with the interpreter/s?	
✓	Will you be using video or sound clips during the event? Are these subtitled or can transcripts be made available?	
₹	Will handouts be used? Can a copy of these be sent to the interpreter ahead of the assignment?	