

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

You are going to participate to a session at the Les Houches School of Physics. [Website](#).

In order for you to have an enjoyable stay, please find below some practical information that we strongly recommend you read up to the end!

Please notice that housing on campus is managed by the school itself and that **no private company should solicit you**. If this is the case, please let us know and consider it a fraud.

SITE / LOCATION

The Les Houches School of Physics is located in the Chamonix Valley, in a mountain area (altitude 1150 m).



In the winter (until April), appropriate outfit/equipment is essential:

- ♦ **Appropriate clothes and shoes for the snow.**
- ♦ **Snow tires and/or snow chains for vehicles.**



In the summer, temperatures can be very low, depending on the weather conditions. **Clothing suitable for the cold and rain**, and **comfortable shoes** are useful for walking along the school's paths.

ACCESS



By plane:

From Geneva airport, shuttle reservation (back and forth) for transportation and drop-off, right at the Les Houches School.

[Click here for shuttle reservations!](#)

As previously indicated, please plan to arrive at the school **after 15:00**.



By car:

On the main road **Le Fayet/Chamonix**, get off at the exit "**Le Prarion/Les Chavants**". In front of the Bellevue cable car, turn right, **direction "Les Chavants"** and continue for 3 km. Follow the indications at the various crossings.

Compulsory Parking on the upper lot indicated on the map.

Note: special winter equipment required.



By train:

From the train station Saint-Gervais Les Bains/Le Fayet: take the train in the direction of Chamonix and get off at the **Les Houches Station**.

Note: there is no taxi station at the train station. It is essential to **reserve a taxi in advance** (NB: the School is over 3 km away from the station).



By taxi:

Participants from abroad can contact the secretariat, which will reserve a taxi for them. In this case, send an email to the secretariat **no later than Wednesday afternoon prior to your arrival**, indicating the date and time of your arrival at the station.

Beyond this date, your request cannot be processed! [Click here to email the secretariat!](#)

- ♦ **Alpes Transport** : +33(0)6.73.54.98.05
- ♦ **Cham Taxi** : +33(0)6.07.26.36.62



ARRIVAL



NOTE: The School opens at 15:00 on the arrival day; It is important not to arrive on the site any earlier, as the buildings are closed before this time.

The School is located far away from the village, in an isolated location. There is no service nearby (shops and restaurants are more than 3 km away).



**BUILDING
CÉCILE DEWITT**
(ex Jacassière)

The **Cécile DeWitt building** is the main building, where you will find:

- ♦ **The accommodation plan:** this indicates the name of the chalet and the room number that you have been assigned. **Note:** the chalets' access codes sent by email must be saved in order to access the buildings/bedrooms (saved on a mobile phone but not printed out)
- ♦ **Nominative pigeonhole,** in the entrance hall: this contains information and a badge.

Attached is a "Practical information" sheet that summarizes the essential information on the campus. From the opening of the school, all buildings are accessible 24/24 and secured by access codes.

LODGINGS



Ensuite Bedrooms are individual, and distributed among eight buildings located on the school campus.

A safe is available in the closet of each bedroom.

Provided: bedsheets, towels, shower gel, shampoo, and hair-dryer.

On the last day of the conference, the bedrooms must be vacated by 9:00 am at the latest. **It is not possible to extend your stay before or after the dates and time indicated.**

CATERING

On the day of arrival, the first meal is dinner. On departure (Friday), the last meal is lunch, after the last lecture.

Any diet requirement must be indicated to the organizers.



Meal times:

- ♦ Breakfast from 7:45 to 8:45
- ♦ Lunch at 12:30
- ♦ Dinner at 19:30

We ask you to be on time.

It is useful to have some cash in euros on you to pay for your purchases at the bar located on the ground floor of the restaurant.

Picnics can be provided for lunch by registering 48h in advance. The restaurant does not provide bottled water, so please bring your water bottle.

WI-FI



Wi-Fi is available in all buildings and accessible via EDUROAM, which is strongly recommended to use. Also, an individual Wi-Fi access code is provided, but this does not allow you to connect with multiple devices at the same time.

OTHER INFORMATION

- ♦ A headlamp or flashlight is useful for walking around the site in the evening and at night
- ♦ The School has only collective insurance
- ♦ Electricity: 220V AC
- ♦ Local time: GMT +2
- ♦ Animals are not admitted on the site.

