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Buffalo Wild Wings

8 Ionia Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

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Parking.

Buffalo Wild Wings offers multiple nearby parking options. Metered on-street parking is available along Ionia Avenue NW. Additional parking can be found just down the block at the Ottawa-Fulton Parking Ramp, a gated pay-to-park facility. There is also a gated surface lot on Ionia Avenue that operates on a paid basis. Some sidewalk curb cutouts are available in the area, especially near crosswalks, though not directly in front of the venue. Street lighting in the area is provided by standard city lamps.

Entrances.

The main and only entrance to the restaurant is located on Ionia Avenue. It consists of a single manual swing door that opens to the right. The entrance sits just above a small ramp with a slight bump at the threshold. The door, which is beige like the surrounding wall, can be difficult to spot at first glance, although signage in the window may help guide guests—particularly those with low



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vision. Upon entering, there is a small vestibule followed by a second manual wooden pull door that leads into the main space.



Inside / Getting Around.

Inside, guests first encounter the host stand, which does not feature a lowered section but is not excessively tall. The main seating area includes a mix of high-top and low-top tables throughout the space. Due to the compact layout of the venue, walkways can feel narrow and tight in busy periods. A bar with high-chair seating is located toward the back, adjacent to a takeout pickup station, which also lacks a lowered surface.

Toward the rear of the space, a ramp leads to the restroom area, accommodating a small elevation change. Past the restrooms, a small set of stairs leads to an elevated dining section that includes mostly high-top seating. While this upper area provides slightly more room to navigate once inside, there is no ramp available to access it, making that section not accessible to those unable to use stairs.

Sensory.

Lighting during daytime hours benefits from natural light streaming through the front windows, supplemented by overhead fixtures that



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emit a mix of soft white and yellow tones. The atmosphere is typical of a sports bar moderate in volume during less busy times, but often louder during peak hours or major sporting events. Televisions are mounted throughout the venue.

Restrooms.

Restrooms are located down the ramped hallway near the back of the restaurant. Both the men's and women's restrooms are multi-user style and accessed through manual swing doors, which feature exterior signage including braille. Inside each restroom, there is adequate turning space for mobility devices, wall-mounted manual sinks with knee clearance, grab bars, and a baby changing table.