

## Disability Blue Badge (2025-26)

If you struggle to get around, you could get a Blue Badge and park closer to where you are going. It lets you park in on-street spaces, on single or double yellow lines when loading is permitted, and in some private car parks. You don't have to be the driver.



### You may be automatically eligible for a Blue Badge if you:-

- Are registered or certified severely sight-impaired or have a letter from your Visual Impairment Care Team confirming you are eligible,
- Get higher rate of mobility component of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or of Child Disability Payment (CDP),
- Receive the mobility component of Adult Disability Payment (ADP) and have been awarded:
  - 8 points or more in the Moving Around activity,
  - 12 points in the Planning and Following a Journey activity,
  - Enhanced rate mobility without reference to points,
- Are in receipt of War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement, or
- Receive a qualifying award under the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation) Scheme.

### You may also be eligible if you:-

- Have a substantial disability lasting more than 12 months that means you cannot or are virtually unable to walk.
- Regularly drive and cannot use parking meters due to severe disability in both arms.
- Are responsible for a child under 3 who needs to be near a vehicle for medical treatment, or who uses bulky medical equipment that cannot be carried around.
- Have a mental condition that means you lack awareness about the dangers of traffic when making journeys.

## How do you apply for, or renew, a Blue Badge?

The fee is **£20** for 3 years. You should apply to renew your Blue Badge at least 6 weeks before the end of the three-year term.



If you **automatically qualify**, you can apply or reapply online by visiting this page [www.mygov.scot/apply-blue-badge](http://www.mygov.scot/apply-blue-badge) or by scanning this QR code.

If you **automatically qualify**, but prefer to complete a form, or you do not automatically qualify but may **be eligible**, you can download a form below.

Please choose the **correct form** for your situation.

- **Automatically** qualify - <http://tinyurl.com/BlueBadgeAutomatic>
- Unable or virtually **unable to walk** - <http://tinyurl.com/BlueBadgeAssess>
- Have a **disability in both arms** - <http://tinyurl.com/BlueBadgeArms>
- Applying for a **child under 3** - <http://tinyurl.com/BlueBadgeUnder3>
- Lack awareness of **traffic dangers** - <http://tinyurl.com/BlueBadgeTraffic>
- If it's **lost, stolen or damaged** - [www.gov.uk/replace-lost-stolen-blue-badge](http://www.gov.uk/replace-lost-stolen-blue-badge)

All 6 forms are available from <https://tinyurl.com/BlueBadgeForms> or by scanning this QR code. You can also pick up printed forms from any **Midlothian Library**.



## Submit your completed form along with the following:

- ✓ A passport **photo** – see guide here - <http://tinyurl.com/BlueBadgePhoto>
- ✓ Copy of proof of your **identity** (e.g. passport, driving license, birth certificate)
- ✓ Copy of proof of your **address** (e.g. Council Tax bill, NHS letter, utility bill)
- ✓ Copy of proof of any **benefits** you receive.

Hand it in to any **Midlothian Library** or send to: **Blue Badges, Midlothian Council, Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith EH22 1DN**

Once your application is accepted, you will be contacted to pay the **£20 Fee**.