



The Gibraltar **Blue Badge** Scheme

Explanatory Information



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INTRODUCTION

The Blue Badge scheme is intended to assist disabled persons who have a permanent and substantial disability, which causes inability to walk or very considerable difficulty in walking.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A BADGE

You can get a badge if:

- You are registered blind;
- You have a permanent and substantial disability which means that you are unable to walk or have very considerable difficulty in walking. As a guide to what is meant by 'very considerable difficulty in walking', a qualifying person will be unable to walk more than 100m without assistance and would need to rest after walking 100 metres;
- You have a severe disability in both upper limbs, regularly drive a motor vehicle but cannot turn the steering wheel of a motor vehicle by hand even if that wheel is fitted with a turning knob;
- Parents of disabled children.

DO I HAVE TO BE A DRIVER?

No, a badge may be issued to any disabled person who qualifies and the badge may be used in any vehicle while transporting the badge holder.

Warning – it is a criminal offence to use or display the badge when the badge holder is not travelling in the

vehicle. It is your responsibility to ensure that the badge is properly used.

HOW TO USE THE BADGE

You must display the badge on top of the dashboard or facia panel of the vehicle with the front of the badge (the side showing the wheelchair symbol) facing forward so that the relevant details are clearly visible from the outside.

Warning – Failure to display the badge correctly will result in a parking penalty.

When requested by an officer of the Royal Gibraltar Police or a Traffic Warden, badge holders are required to show their photograph on the back of the badge to allow confirmation of identity.

Badges issued to support organisations caring for the disabled (institutions) must not be used by individual social or voluntary workers concerned with the care of disabled people or by able-bodied members for their own benefit. In the best interest of disabled people the badge should be removed when the vehicle is not being used.

WHERE CAN I PARK?

Apart from any normal car parking space, a Blue Badge holder is entitled to park in a Disabled Parking Bay.

WHAT MUST NOT BE DONE

You must not allow your badge to be used by any other person than yourself. This may mean the withdrawal of your badge and where the law has been breached both parties will be prosecuted.

You must not use your badge after its expiry date.

You must ensure that the details on the front of the badge (i.e. date of expiry, issued by, serial number) remain legible. If they become unreadable, the badge should be returned to the Department of Transport for re-issue.

If you are in doubt about your rights, do not park.

MISUSE OF BADGE

Misuse of a Blue Badge is a serious offence. Your badge can be withdrawn if you misuse it or allow others to misuse it. It is a criminal offence for able-bodied people to use a badge. If they do so they are liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

IF YOU ARE A DISABLED DRIVER

Remember that if you are a disabled driver and your disability is such that it is likely to affect your ability to drive (even if your car has been adapted) you should inform:

The Licensing Authority
Department of Transport
Motor Vehicle Test Centre
Eastern Beach Road
Gibraltar

HOW LONG DOES MY BADGE LAST?

For a period of three years from the date of issue or such shorter period that the authorities may decide.

HOW DO I OBTAIN A BADGE?

Application must be made in the appropriate form to the Department of Transport, Motor Vehicle Test Centre, Eastern Beach Road, Gibraltar.

Following receipt of a properly completed application form, it usually takes between 4 to 5 weeks to complete the assessment.

WHAT RIGHTS DOES THE BADGE PROVIDE OUTSIDE GIBRALTAR?

Badge holders are able to take advantage of the applicable motorist parking privileges wherever they are in the rest of the European Union (EU).

Further details of the benefits available in each EU State may be obtained by contacting:

Department of Transport
Motor Vehicle Test Centre
Eastern Beach Road
Gibraltar
Tel: +350 51603

<http://www.gibraltar.gov.gi>

The fold out back cover says, in the language of each country, that you are entitled to park in areas where there are concessions for disabled people. You may find it helpful to leave it open on the dashboard, with your parking card, to explain this to the local enforcement agencies.

If you are in any doubts about your rights, **DON'T PARK**

Use of badge in Spain

If you wish to use your badge in Spain you should note the following:

General

On roads and in car parks, parking places reserved for disabled people are marked with a wheelchair symbol.

Parking on roads

- Do not park on roads where waiting is prohibited unless local concessions specifically allow it. Check locally
- Fees and time limit concessions for vehicles displaying a Blue Badge vary. Check locally.
- Do not drive or park in pedestrian zones unless local concessions specifically allow it. Check locally.

Parking in car parks

In most places car parks offer concessions to vehicles displaying a Blue Badge. Check locally.

CAN OTHER EU ISSUED BADGES BE USED IN GIBRALTAR?

Yes, all European style blue badges are accepted in Gibraltar providing that the facilities are used strictly within the limits described in these explanatory notes.

EUROPEAN TRAFFIC SIGNS: PARKING, WAITING AND STOPPING



Parking



Waiting prohibited. In some countries you may be allowed to park for a limited amount of time, providing you don't cause an obstruction



Waiting prohibited on odd numbered days



Waiting prohibited on even numbered days



No stopping. You must never park on roads where stopping is prohibited

The basic signs are the red and blue roundels which are common to all countries.

In some places waiting is permitted on alternate sides of the road. The signs at page 8 show if the change is made daily.

If a different form of alternation applies, the numerals I and II are replaced by the appropriate dates; eg, 1-15 and 16-31 if the change is made on the 1st and 16th day of the month.

Plates may be mounted beneath any of the above signs to give details of the times when restrictions are in force, any exemptions for certain classes of traffic, and the length of road over which the restriction extends.

When the length of time vehicles may wait is limited, this may be stated on an additional plate or on the lower part of the red circle on a prohibitory sign.

GENERAL ADVICE

When you use the disabled badge in any other country you should exercise caution and park safely

YOU SHOULD NOT PARK

- where you might cause a danger to others, such as at school entrances or pedestrian crossings
- where you make it difficult for others to see clearly, such as near junctions
- where you might cause an obstruction, such as at vehicle entrances
- where space is needed for emergency vehicles

PLEASE NOTE

Anyone who misuses the badge will be liable to whatever penalties for unlawfully parking apply in the country in question

If you are in any doubt about your rights,
DON'T PARK

TRANSLATION SECTION

YOU MAY FIND IT HELPFUL TO OPEN THIS DISPLAY AND LEAVE IT ON YOUR DASHBOARD WHEN YOU PARK ABROAD TO INFORM ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENTS WHICH ALLOW YOU PARKING CONCESSIONS. PLEASE DISPLAY IN ADDITION TO YOUR PARKING CARD

Date of expiry:		Parking Card for people with disabilities Parkeringskort Κάρτα σταθμευσης Tarjeta de estacionamiento Parkausweis Contrassegno di parcheggio Parkeerkaart Cartão de estacionamento Pysäköintilupa Parkeringsstillstånd Carte de stationnement
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BELGIE

Parkeerkaart voor gehandicapten.

De persoon die deze parkeerkaart gebruikt is een gehandicapte bezoeker uit een ander Europees land en heeft recht op dezelfde parkeerconcessies als een gehandicapte inwoner van uw land.

MODEL VAN DE EUROPESE GEMEENSCHAP



BELGIEN

Parkkarte für Personen mit Behinderungen.

Die Person, die diese Parkkarte ausgelegt hat, ist ein behinderter Besucher aus einem anderen europäischen Land und zu den selben Parkvergünstigungen wie ein behinderter Einwohner ihres Landes berechtigt.

EG-MODELL



BELGIQUE

Permis de stationnement pour handicapé.

La personne à qui appartient ce permis de stationnement est un visiteur handicapé d'un autre pays de la communauté européenne et a les mêmes droits en matière de stationnement qu'un handicapé de votre pays

VERSION COMMUNAUTE EUROPEENNE



DANMARK

Handicapskilt.

Denne Person, som viser dette handicapskilt, er en handicappet besøgende fra et andet land i Den Europæiske Union og er berettiget til de samme parkeringsindrømmelser som en handicappet bosiddende i landet

MODEL FOR DET EUROPÆISKE FÆLLESSKAB



DEUTSCHLAND

Parkkarte für personen mit Behinderungen.

Die Person, die diese Parkkarte ausgelegt hat, ist ein behinderter Besucher aus einem anderen europäischen land und zu den selben Parkvergünstigungen wie ein behinderter Einwohner Ihres Landes berechtigt

EU-MODELL



ΕΛΛΑΔΑ

Κάρτα στάθμευσης για άτομα με ειδικές ανάγκες.

Το άτομο που επιδεικνύει την παρούσα κάρτα στάθμευσης είναι άτομο με ειδικές ανάγκες που προέρχεται από χώρα της Ευρώπης και δικαιούται τις ίδιες προνομιακές ρυθμίσεις στάθμευσης που δικαιούνται οι μόνιμοι κάτοικοι με ειδικές ανάγκες της χώρας.

ΥΠΟΔΕΙΓΜΑ ΕΥΡΩΠΑΪΚΗΣ ΚΟΙΝΟΤΗΤΑΣ



ESPAÑA

Tarjeta de aparcamiento para minusválidos

La persona que muestra esta tarjeta de aparcamiento es un visitante minusválido procedente de otro país europeo, y tiene derecho a los mismos privilegios de aparcamiento que un minusválido residente en su país.

MODELO DE LA COMUNIDAD EUROPEA



FINLAND

Parkeringsintyg för handikappade.

Innehavaren av detta Intyg är en handikappad resenär från ett annat europeiskt land och har rätt till samma speciella parkeringsförmåner som en handikappad person bosatt i ert eget land.

EG-FÖRLAGA



FRANCE

Permis de stationnement pour handicapé.

La personne à qui appartient ce permis de stationnement est un visiteur handicapé d'un autre pays de la communauté européenne et a les mêmes droits en matière de stationnement qu'un handicapé de votre pays

VERSION COMMUNAUTE EUROPEENNE



IRELAND

Parking card for people with disabilities

The person displaying this parking card is a disabled visitor from another European country and is entitled to the same parking concessions as a disabled resident of your country.

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ÍSLAND

Stæðiskort fyrir fatlað fólk

Sa, sem synir þetta stæðiskort, er fatlaður ferðoamaður frá öðru Evrópulandi og á rétt á sömu ivilnunum bifreiðastæða og fatlað fólk er byr í ykkar landi.

FYRIRMYND

EFNAHAGSBANDALAGS EVROPU



ITALIA

Contrassegno d'invalidità per persone disabili.

La persona che espone questo contrassegno è un visitatore disabile di un alto paese europeo, che ha diritto alle stesse agevolazioni dei disabili residenti nel vostro paese

MODELO PER LA COMUNITÀ EUROPEA



LËTZEBUERG

Parkschäin fir behënnert Leit

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EG-MODELL



LIECHTENSTEIN

Parkausweis für Behinderte.

Der inhaber dieses Ausweises ist ein behinderter Besucher eines anderen euroäischen Landes und ist zu den gleichen Parkzugeständnissen berechtigt wie behinderte Einwohner Ihres Landes

EIN MODELL DER EUROPÄISCHEN GEMEINSCHAFT



NEDERLAND

Parkeerkaart voor gehandicapten.

De persoon die deze parkeerkaart vertoon is een gehandicapte bezoeker uit een ander Europees land, die tijdens het parkeren recht heeft op defelfde tegemoetkomingen als een gehandicapte ingezetene van uw eigen land.

EU-MODEL



NORGE

Parkeringskort for funksjonshemmede

Personen som viser dette parkeringskortet er en funksjonshemmet besøkende fra et annet europeisk land, og har rett til samme parkeringsdispensasjoner som en funksjonshemmet person som er fastboende i ditt land.

EU-MODELL

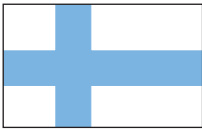


ÖSTERREICH

Parkkarte für Behinderte.

Die Person, die diese Parkkarte auslegt, ist ein behinderter Besucher aus einem anderen europäischen Land und berechtigt, dieselben Vergünstigungen für Behinderte in Anspruch zu nehmen wie behinderte Bewohner ihres Landes.

EG-MODELL



SUOMI

Vammaisuutta osoittava pysäköintikortti.

Tämän pysäköintikortin esittävä henkilö on toisesta Euroopan valtiosta vierallevalta vammainen, ja hänellä on samat pysäköintivaltuudet kuin tämän maan vammautuneella kansalaisella.

EUROOPAN YHTEISÖN MALLI



UNITED KINGDOM

Parking card for people with disabilities

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PORTUGAL

Cartão de estacionamento para pessoas com incapacidades.

A pessoa que exhibe este cartão de estacionamento é um visitante incapacitado de um outro país europeu e tem direito às mesmas concessões de estacionamento como um incapacitado residente no seu país.

MODELO DA COMUNIDADE EUROPEIA



SVERIGE

Parkeringsintyg för handikappade.

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