Welsh Government

Blue Badge Eligibility Check

If you’re not sure if you qualify, take a look and find out...

Please click the arrow to move on
Automatic

Do you receive Disability Benefits or have a sight impairment? If so, you may qualify without further assessment

We call this Automatic

Discretionary

You do not receive disability benefits but still have issues which you think may entitle you to a badge? You may be eligible but would require further assessment

We call this Discretionary

Organisation?
Click here...
Do you, or the someone you know, qualify for one of the following:

- Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance (HRMCDLA)
- Personal Independence Payment (PIP) (At the Required Level)
- War Pensioners Mobility Supplement
- Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (Tariff 1-8)
- Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (Tariff 6 – Permanent Mental Disorder)
- "Registered Blind" or have a "Severe Sight Impairment"

Yes, what do I do next?
Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance (HRMCDLA)

If you receive this benefit then you are AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE for a Blue Badge.

This means you will not need to be assessed further by your local authority.

What Evidence will I need?
When applying for a badge, you will need to present your ORIGINAL AWARD LETTER from the Department for Work and Pensions to your local authority.
If you receive this benefit then you are **AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE** for a Blue Badge.

This means you will not need to be assessed further by your local authority.

**What Evidence will I need?**

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Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (Tariff 1-8)

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What Evidence will I need?
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Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (Tariff 6 under ‘Permanent Mental Disorders’)

If you receive this benefit then you are AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE for a Blue Badge.

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What Evidence will I need?
When applying for a badge, you will need to present your ORIGINAL AWARD LETTER to your local authority.
“Blind” or Sight Impaired?

This criteria means that you are AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE for a Blue Badge.

This means you will not need to be assessed by your local authority.

What Evidence will I need?
You will need to present your Ophthalmologist Report or CV1/BD8 form which confirms you are “Severely Sight Impaired (Blind)”.

You may also be registered with Local Authority as Sight Impaired at the “Severe” level and this will be just fine too!
Personal Independence Payment (PIP)

If you receive this benefit at the levels below then you are \textbf{AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE} for a Blue Badge.

- 12 Points for Planning and Following a Journey
- 8 Points or more for Moving Around

This means you will not need to be assessed further by your local authority.

\textbf{What Evidence will I need?}

When applying for a badge, you will need to present your \textit{ORIGINAL AWARD LETTER} from the Department for Work and Pensions to your local authority.
Do you, or someone you know:

- HAVE CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY WALKING, OR ARE COMPLETELY UNABLE TO WALK
- DRIVE A VEHICLE AND HAVE IMPAIRMENTS IN BOTH ARMS
- HAVE A CHILD WHO NEEDS TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY BULKY MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
- HAVE A CHILD WHO NEEDS TO BE KEPT CLOSE TO LIFE SAVING EQUIPMENT
- HAVE A COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT WHICH MAKES YOU/THEM UNABLE TO PLAN AND FOLLOW A JOURNEY ON YOUR OWN

Yes, what do I do next?
A permanent condition which means I am unable or have considerable difficulty walking...

This is specifically aimed at people who really struggle with walking, so much so that they need WALKING AIDS or even OXYGEN to walk relatively short distances.

To qualify for a badge under this criteria, you would need evidence from a RELEVANT HEALTH SPECIALIST that you see.

Speak to you local authority first – do not ask your GP
You drive a vehicle and have impairments in both arms?

If you have impairments in both arms your driving license will be coded:

- 40 – ADAPTED STEERING
- 79 – RESTRICTED TO VEHICLES IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS STATED IN BRACKETS

If you can demonstrate you have difficulties using parking machines and barriers, your driving licence would be sufficient evidence.
Children under the age of 3 who need to carry bulky medical equipment

This criteria is for children *under the age of three* who always need bulky medical equipment to be with them.

To evidence this, you would may use a *letter from a pediatrician* outlining the child’s medical condition and what equipment the child requires.
A child *under the age of 3* who needs to be kept near to life saving equipment

This criteria is here to help parents and guardians of those children who need to be kept close to **LIFE SAVING EQUIPMENT**, or be able to quickly take them somewhere for life saving treatment.

Your application may include a letter from a **PAEDIATRICIAN** outlining the child’s medical condition.
You are unable to plan or follow the route of a familiar journey without the aid of someone else?

This newly proposed eligibility criteria will be introduced at the end of this year (2014) and is to help individuals with a sensory or cognitive impairment who can not plan or follow the route of a familiar journey without the help of someone else.

There is a variety of ways to evidence this, it may be:

- Appointment at a Memory Clinic
- Registration on your local authority learning disabilities register,
- or a letter from a healthcare professional involved in the treatment.
Non Eligible Criteria

There are certain conditions which do not allow you to qualify for a badge:

- Lower Rate Disability Living Allowance
- Receive Attendance Allowance
- Have a disability in one arm
- Have bladder or bowel problems, such as Crohn’s or Colitus
- Temporary conditions e.g. lower limb fractures or Pregnancy
The Blue Badge (Disabled Persons’ Parking) scheme was introduced in 1971 under section 21 of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970.

The scheme is open to eligible disabled people whether they are travelling as a driver or a passenger.

There is no appeals process - the Local Authority’s decision is final. Most local authorities do have an internal appeals process.

Welsh Government has no legal power to intervene in the decision making process or where an application for a badge has been rejected.

Access to the Blue Badge scheme will mean that people with the most significant impairments are able to lead full and active lives.
Applying for an Organisational Badge?

- An Organisation is responsible for the care and transport of disabled people.
- An Organisation cares for and transports disabled people who would meet one or more of the eligibility criteria for an individual Blue Badge.
- An Organisation has a clear need for an organisational badge rather than using the individual Blue Badges of people it is transporting.
OK, I think I qualify… so what’s next?

Local authorities are responsible for administering the scheme – this includes assessing applicants, determining eligibility and production and distribution of a Blue Badge.

Get in touch with your local authority to start the application process

For local authority contact details, click here!
Which is your local authority?

Click on your local authority below for contact details

Blaenau Gwent
Bridgend
Caerphilly
Cardiff
Carmarthenshire
Ceredigion
Conwy
Denbighshire
Flintshire
Gwynedd
Isle of Anglesey
Merthyr Tydfil
Monmouthshire
Neath Port Talbot
Newport
Pembrokeshire
Powys
Rhondda Cynon Taff
Swansea
The Vale of Glamorgan
Torfaen
Wrexham

Back
Blaenau Gwent

Add: C2BG
The Contact Centre
Central Depot
Barleyfield Industrial Estate
Brynmawr
NP23 4YF

Tel: (01495) 311556

Web Address: http://www.blaenau-gwent.gov.uk/6425.asp
Bridgend

Add: Bridgend County Borough Council
Civic Offices
Angel Street
Bridgend
CF31 4WB

Tel: 01656 643643
Text Relay: 18001 01656 643643
Fax: 01656 668126

Email: talktous@bridgend.gov.uk

Web Address: http://www1.bridgend.gov.uk/services/blue-badge.aspx
Caerphilly

Add: Customer Services
Penallta House
Tredomen Park
Ystrad Mynach
Hengoed
CF82 7PG

Tel: 01443 866571

Web Address:
http://www.caerphilly.gov.uk/site.aspx?s=6OEBAX0hSCm%266XoUkkEBaMmNkCjqN3T6wJaaaMVooP7dJd5ZFTQDVw==
Cardiff

Add:  
Cardiff Council  
County Hall  
Atlantic Wharf  
Cardiff  
CF10 4UW

Tel:  
029 2087 2087  
029 2087 2088 (welsh)  
07967 222087 text

Web Address:  
https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Health-and-social-care/Disability/Blue-badge-parking/Pages/Blue-badge-parking.aspx
Carmarthenshire

Add: Carmarthenshire County Council, County Hall, Carmarthen, SA31 1JP
Tel: 01267 234567
Text: 07892 345678
Email: direct@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Ceredigion

Add: Social Services
Min-Aeron
Rhiw Goch
Aberaeron
Ceredigion
SA46 0DY

Tel: 01545 574000

Email: contact-socservs@ceredigion.gov.uk

Web Address: http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/English/Resident/Travel-Roads-Parking/Public-Community-Transport/Blue-Badge-Scheme/Pages/default.aspx
Conwy

Add: Social Services
Canolfan Marl
Off Broad Street
Llandudno Junction
Conwy
LL31 9HL

Tel: 01492 577800
Fax: 01492 596188

Email: CanolfanMarlAdmin@conwy.gov.uk

Web Address: http://www.conwy.gov.uk/section.asp?cat=1380&Language=1
Denbighshire

Add: Wynnstay Road
Ruthin
LL15 1YN

Tel: 01824 706101

Flintshire

Add: Adult Social Services
Room W4451
County Hall
Mold
CH7 6NN

Tel: 01352 701304
Fax: 01352 701499

Gwynedd

Add: Siop Gwynedd Dolgellau
Meirionnydd Area Office
Cae Penarlâg
Dolgellau
Gwynedd
LL40 2YB

01766 771000

Siop Gwynedd Pwllheli
Dwyfor Area Office
Ffordd y Cob
Pwllheli
Gwynedd
LL53 5AA

01766 771000

Siop Gwynedd Caernarfon
Gwynedd Council's Headquarters
Castle Street
Caernarfon
Gwynedd
LL55 1SE

01766 771000

Web Address:
Isle of Anglesey

Add: Isle of Anglesey County Council Council Offices Llangefni Anglesey LL77 7TW

Tel: (01248) 750057

Web Address: http://www.anglesey.gov.uk/transport-and-roads/parking/blue-badge-scheme/
Merthyr Tydfil

Add: Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council
    Civic Centre
    Castle Street
    Merthyr Tydfil
    CF47 8AN

Tel: 01685 724500
Fax: 01685 370198

Email: adultintakeservice@merthyr.gov.uk

Web Address: http://www.merthyr.gov.uk/English/HealthAndSocialCare/Disabilities/Pages/DisabledPeopleParkingPermitsBlueBadge.aspx
Monmouthshire

Add: Abergavenny One Stop Shop
Market Hall
Cross Street
Abergavenny
NP7 5HD

01873 735800

Caldicot One Stop Shop
Woodstock Way
Caldicot
NP26 5DB

01291 426400

Chepstow One Stop Shop
Manor Way
Chepstow
NP16 5HZ

01291 635700

Email: onestopshop@monmouthshire.gov.uk


Monmouth One Stop Shop
Priory Street
Monmouth
NP25 3XA

01600 775200
Neath Port Talbot

Add: Neath One Stop Shop
    Civic Centre
    Neath
    SA13 1PJ

Tel: 01639 686868

Newport

Add: Blue Badge Administrator
Newport City Council
Information Station
Old Station Building
Queensway
Newport
NP20 4AX

Telephone: 01633 656 656

Email: info@newport.gov.uk

Web Address:
http://www.newport.gov.uk/_dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=healthsoc.bluebadge
Pembrokeshire

Blue Badge requests can be processed at the five Customer Service Centres between 9.00 am - 1pm and 2pm - 4.30pm Monday to Friday and you may use whichever is more convenient for you.

Customer Contact Centre
Pembrokeshire County Council at:

Haverfordwest North Wing
County Hall
Haverfordwest
Pembrokeshire
SA61 1TP

Milford Haven
Town Hall
Hamilton Terrace
Milford Haven
Pembrokeshire
SA73 3JW

Neyland
Neyland Library
St Clements Road
Neyland
Pembrokeshire
SA73 1SH

Pembroke Dock
Argyle Street,
Pembroke Dock,
Pembrokeshire,
SA72 6HL

Fishguard
Town Hall
The Square
Fishguard
Pembrokeshire
SA65 9HA

Tel: 01437 764551

Web Address:
http://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/content.asp?nav=1210,1231,1234,1333

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Add: Disabled Parking Badge Scheme
The Gwalia
Ithon Road
Llandrindod Wells
Powys
LD1 6AA

## Rhondda Cynon Taff

All completed applications and supporting documentation must be taken to one of the One4All centres located at:

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<td><a href="http://www.rctcbc.gov.uk/en/transportstreets/roads,highwaysandpavements/disabledparking(bluebadge)/disabledparking(bluebadgescheme).aspx">Book a One4All Appointment online</a></td>
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Swansea

Add: Car Badge Unit
City and County of Swansea
Contact Swansea Civic Centre
Swansea SA1 3SN

E-mail: carbadge@swansea.gov.uk
Tel: 01792 637366
Fax: 01792 637228

Web Address: http://www.swansea.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=14122
The Vale of Glamorgan

Add: Contact OneVale
    Civic Offices
    Holton Road
    Barry
    Vale of Glamorgan
    CF63 8YR

Tel: 01446 700111
E-mail: C1V@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

You can apply for a Blue Badge by visiting in person, at one of the Customer Care Centres. Be sure to call ahead for opening times:

Cwmbran Customer Centre
1-2 General Rees Square
Cwmbran
Torfaen
NP44 7NX

Tel: 01495 762200

Email: socialcarecalltorfaen@torfaen.gov.uk

Web Address:
Wrexham

Add: Contact Wrexham
16 Lord Street
Wrexham
LL11 1LG

Tel: 01978 292000
Email: contact-us@wrexham.gov.uk

Web Address:
http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/english/council/social_services/blue_badge/