

# Blue Badge Application

## Disabled Person's Parking Badge

### Part 1: Declaration to be filled in by all applicants

I confirm that I do not currently hold a Blue Badge issued by another Local Authority.

#### Data Protection Act 1998

Have you been previously assessed regarding your mobility? If so, if you give consent to access your social care and health records it will assist us in making a better informed decision and may speed up your application.

I agree    Yes     No

I understand that you will use the information I have provided to process my application for a Blue Badge. I understand the County Council may need to share these details with other local authorities, the Police, parking enforcement officers to detect and prevent fraud and to authorise third party mobility assessors.

I understand if there is a statutory requirement the council may also be required to share this information. My application details will be kept for 3 years 6 months from issue or until you are notified that the Blue Badge is no longer required.

Signature

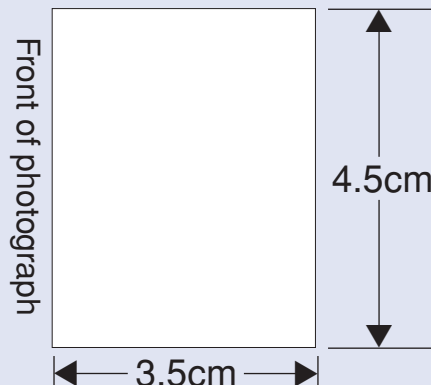
Print name

National Insurance Number  
or Child Registration Number

#### Current photograph

Please note that a coloured photograph is required for your Blue Badge. It must be the same size as a passport photograph, being; 3.5cm by 4.5cm. The photograph should be taken against a plain pale background, and your face must be clearly seen without any hat or sunglasses etc.

Please stick your  
photograph here.



## Notes

**For applications that are based on your difficulties in walking please note the following:**

A permanent disability is one that is likely to last for the duration of your life. Medical conditions such as asthma, autism, psychological/behavioural problems, Crohn's disease/incontinent conditions and Myalgic Encephalomyelitis (ME) are not in themselves a qualification for a badge. People with these conditions may be eligible under this criterion, but only if they are unable to walk or have very considerable difficulty in walking, in addition to their condition.

**Copy** documents that can be used for proof of residency in Hampshire:

- Council Tax bill bearing my name and address, dated with the last 12 months.
- Award letter from Service Personnel and Veterans Agency.
- Benefit award letter from the Department for Work and Pensions.
- Confirmation letter from Social Services or another local authority service that the person is resident
- Confirmation letter from the school that the child attends that school, if under 16.
- Copy of a valid driving licence.
- Housing benefit (or other type of benefit) award letter dated within the last 12 months.
- Pensions letter from The Pension Service.

**Copy** documents that can be used for proof of identity are:

- Birth certificate/adoption certificate
- Marriage/Divorce Certificate
- Valid driving licence
- Certificate of British Nationality
- Civil Partnership/Dissolution Certificate
- HM Forces ID card
- Identity card for foreign nationals
- Passport

For on line help please go to [www.hants.gov.uk@bluebadge](http://www.hants.gov.uk@bluebadge)

## Details of the person who requires the Blue Badge

Title

Forename

Surname

Surname at Birth

Gender

Male

Female

Date of Birth

Town of Birth

Country of Birth

Address of the person who requires the Blue Badge.

Line 1

Line 2

Town

County

Post Code

Country

Email address

Telephone number

Mobile number

If you already have a Blue Badge please provide the following:

**1** The badge number

**2** The expiry date

**3** The name of the Council who issued the Badge

**Please provide both proof of residency in Hampshire and identity**

**1** Please provide proof of your address in Hampshire by enclosing a recent copy of either a gas or electric bill, council tax bill, a phone bill, a pensions letter or similar.

**2** Please provide proof of identity by enclosing a copy of any official document such as driving licence, passport or a copy of your birth, marriage certificate etc.

Please only send copies, not originals.

**Part 2:**

**Please only fill in this section if you are applying for a Blue Badge on behalf of someone else. Please enter your contact details here.**

Relationship to the person who needs the Blue Badge.

Title

Forename

Surname

Email

Telephone Number

Mobile Number

If you require a different delivery address for all correspondence including the Blue Badge please provide details below.

Address Line 1

Line 2

Town

County

Post Code

## Part 3: Eligibility for a Blue Badge without the need for further assessment

If you can tick one of the 4 statements below you may automatically qualify for a Blue Badge.

Are you registered blind by a Local Authority under the National Assistance Act 1948?

If this is your first application please send us a copy of your registration card (both sides please).

Do you receive Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance?

Please send us a current copy (dated in the last 12 months) of the official DWP letter confirming that you receive the allowance.

Please note if your award is for a date less than 3 years in the future your badge will expire on that date.

Do you receive a war pensioner's mobility supplement?

Please send us a current copy of the official letter confirming that you receive the allowance.

Please note if your award is for a date less than 3 years in the future your badge will expire on that date.

Do you receive a benefit under the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation) Scheme (within tariff 1-8) and have been assessed as having a permanent and substantial disability which causes inability to walk or very considerable difficulty in walking?

Please send us a current copy of the official letter confirming that you receive the allowance.

Please note if your award is for a date less than 3 years in the future your badge will expire on that date.

**If you have ticked one of the above questions please go to the Check list on page 12 to ensure you have a complete application.**

## Part 4: Eligibility for a Blue Badge subject to further assessment

This means that if you are over two years of age you may be required to have an independent mobility assessment as part of your application.

### Do you have severe disability in both arms?

Please complete the next 3 questions only if you hold a valid driving licence and have a severe disability in both arms and cannot turn the steering wheel of a vehicle by hand, even if a turning knob is fitted, and cannot use parking meters.

**1** What is the nature of your disability?

**2** Do you drive a specially adapted car?

Yes

No

**3** Please give the details of the adaptation.

## Part 5: Eligibility for a Blue Badge subject to further assessment

This means that if you are over two years of age that you may be required to have an independent mobility assessment as part of your application.

**Children under the age of three may be eligible for a Blue Badge if they meet the following criteria:**

Do they have a condition that requires transporting bulky medical equipment, or do they need to be kept near a motor vehicle on the account of their condition?

Yes

No

Please give a description of the medical condition.

## Part 6:

### **Complete this section if your application is because you have difficulties in walking**

Please note that this section is about understanding your permanent and substantial disability which means you are unable to walk or have very considerable difficulty in walking.

Remember we may ask you to have an independent mobility assessment as part of your application.

### **Please answer all 22 questions in this section**

- 1** Please give a short description of the condition that affects your walking ability. Include details of any relevant courses of treatment or surgery that you have undergone or are awaiting and of the healthcare professionals or specialists who have been treating you.

Please also give details of any medication you are taking.

- 2** Do you anticipate that your conditions/disabilities will improve in the next 3 years?

Yes  No

**3** Please answer the following questions and provide further information in the space below.

Are you waiting for surgery or treatment in relation to the condition that impairs your walking ability?

Yes  No

Are you recovering from an operation in relation to your walking ability?

Yes  No

Are you managing your condition because it is not expected to improve?

Yes  No

None of the above (Please give details below).

**4** Please tick the box that best describes the way you walk.

Normal – no specific problems with walking

Adequate – for example you walk with a slight limp

Poor – you walk with a heavy limp, a stiff leg or shuffle, or have problems with balance

Extremely poor – for example you drag your leg, stagger swing through two crutches or need physical support

Unable to walk at all

Please give details below.

**5** Are you able to walk well, including recreational walks?

Yes  No

**6** Do you struggle with longer distances or hills?

Yes  No

**7** Do you use a wheelchair for longer trips outside the home?

Yes  No

**8** Are you unable to climb the stairs?

Yes  No

**9** Are you able to walk outside without help?

Yes  No

**10** Do you use walking aids?

Yes  No

Please state your equipment you use.

**11** Do you get breathless when walking for more than a few minutes?

Yes  No

**12** Are you troubled with shortness of breath when hurrying on level ground or walking up hill?

Yes  No

**13** Do you get short of breath walking with other people of your own age on level ground?

Yes  No

**14** Do you have to stop for breath when walking at your normal pace on level ground?

Yes  No

**15** Do you get too breathless to leave your home, or after getting dressed?

Yes  No

**16** Are you seeing a specialist or attending clinics for pain relief?

Yes  No

**17** Are you currently taking any pain relief in relation to the medical conditions/ disabilities you have described?

Yes  No

If yes, please explain what you are taking and how frequently you need it.

**18** Do you find it too painful when walking for more than a few minutes?

Yes  No

**19** Please tell us how far you are able to walk before you experience severe discomfort, pain or severe breathlessness.

When answering this question please note that an average adult step is slightly less than one metre so if you walk alongside someone and take 100 steps you will have gone about 90 metres. An average double decker bus is about 11 metres long.

metres or  yards

**20** How long does it take to walk this distance in minutes?

**21** Are you able to continue walking after a short rest?

Yes  No

**22** If you can continue, roughly how long in minutes are you able to walk for in total?

minutes

## Check list

It is important to ensure that you have fully completed this application, signed the front page and enclosed all the relevant copy documents, photograph and payment. Please do not send original documents.

### All applications

Tick list

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|----------|---|--------------------------|
| <b>1</b> | Copy proof of residency in Hampshire                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>2</b> | Copy proof of identity                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>3</b> | A passport style photograph (see the front page)        | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>4</b> | A cheque for £10.00 payable to Hampshire County Council | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**For applications without further assessment, one of the following:**

- |          |   |                          |
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| <b>1</b> | Copy of blind registration (both sides)           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>2</b> | Copy of Higher Rate Mobility letter               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>3</b> | Copy of War Pensions mobility supplement letter   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>4</b> | Copy of Armed Forces (compensation) Scheme letter | <input type="checkbox"/> |

### Responsibilities of a Blue Badge Holder

The badge will only be used when I am present

I will not allow anyone else to use my Blue Badge

I am responsible for the correct use of my Blue Badge

I am aware that if I misuse the badge it is a criminal offence and can result in a £1,000 fine and the withdrawal of the Blue Badge.

**Please note, incomplete applications will be sent back to you for completion. We are doing this so that we can process your application more efficiently.**

**You will hear from us within 3 weeks from receipt of a complete application.**

Please send your completed application to:

**Blue Badge Team  
Hampshire County Council  
The Castle  
Winchester  
Hampshire  
SO23 8UJ**

Telephone **0845 603 5633** email **blue.badge@hants.gov.uk**