

Blue Badge Renewal Application Form

You can use this form to apply to renew a Blue Badge if it is due to expire in the next 2 months or if it has expired within the last 2 months. If your badge expired more than 2 months ago or you do not currently have a Blue Badge you will need to complete a new Blue Badge application form. If you are applying for a replacement Blue Badge then please use the designated Blue Badge Replacement Form if your badge has been lost, stolen or damaged.

Please complete all relevant sections of the application form and supply the appropriate documents to confirm your address, identity and evidence of eligibility. You may find the accompanying guidance notes helpful.

The local authority may refuse to issue a badge if you do not provide adequate evidence that you meet the eligibility criteria. You will need to visit a One Stop Shop at least once so that we can verify your identity and confirm that your photo is a true likeness of you.

If you are completing the form on behalf of an applicant who is under 16, or someone who is unable to complete the form themselves, please provide their details in the appropriate sections and sign the form on their behalf.

Please visit any Council One Stop Shop if you require any advice or assistance in completing this form.

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms, other):	
First names (in full):	
Surname:	
Surname at birth:	
Gender:	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>
Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY):	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Place of Birth:	Town:
	Country:
Current address:	
Postcode:	
National Insurance Number or Child Registration Number: This can be found on Child Benefit letters	
Driving Licence Number:	
Daytime Telephone Number:	

Mobile Telephone number:

Email address:

Previous address, if different in the last three years:

Postcode:

Which local authority issued you with your current / expired badge?

What was the serial number on this badge?

What was the expiry date of this badge? (This must not be more than 2 months ago)

Please tell us the registration number(s) of the main cars in which you intend to use the blue badge (up to 3 numbers)

Statement of entitlement

I **declare** that since my last application for a blue badge nothing has changed which affects my entitlement to it, and that:

I am still in receipt of the higher rate of the mobility component of the Disability Living Allowance (HRMCDLA), which will expire on (please state date),

or

I still receive a Personal Independence Payment (PIP) and score 8,10 or 12 points in the 'Moving Around' descriptor for the Mobility Component. This will expire on (please state date),

or

I am still registered as blind (severely sight impaired) under the National Assistance Act 1948,

or

I still receive War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement, **or** received a lump sum benefit under the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation) Scheme within tariff levels 1 – 8,

or

I cannot walk,

or

I can walk only with severe difficulty, and cannot walk further than 80 metres without stopping, suffering severe discomfort or receiving help from another person,

or

- I have a valid driving licence and regularly drive a car, **and**
I have a severe disability in both arms,**and**
I am unable to operate, or have considerable difficulty operating, all or some types of parking meter,

or

- The blue badge is for a child under 3 who must always be accompanied by bulky medical equipment or who must always be kept near a motor vehicle so that treatment for a condition can be quickly accessed

Declaration

- I confirm that, as far as I know, the details I have provided are complete and accurate. I realise that you may take action against me if I have provided false information in this application form.
- I understand that I must promptly inform Wirral Council of any changes that may affect my entitlement to a badge.
- I confirm that the photograph I have submitted with my application is a true likeness.
- I understand that, if my application is successful, I must not allow any other person to use the badge for their benefit and that I must only use the badge in accordance with the rules of the scheme as set out in the “Blue Badge scheme: rights and responsibilities in England” leaflet which will be sent to me with the badge.
- I understand that I must not hold more than one valid Blue Badge at any time.
- I agree to the disclosure of the information included in this form to other local authority departments and service providers so that I can be informed about other local authority services that may be of benefit to me.
- I understand that I may be required to undertake an assessment with a healthcare professional who is independent of my existing care and treatment in order to determine my eligibility for a Blue Badge.
- I consent to the local authority checking any information it already holds on the basis that:
 - It can help determine my eligibility for a Blue Badge;
 - It may speed up the processing of my application;
 - It may enable a decision to be made without the need for a mobility assessment

Your signature	
Date of application	
Please print your name here	

Proof of your address, dated within the last 12 months

We need to check that you are a resident in this local authority area before we can process your application. Please select one of the following options and provide original documentation where relevant:

Either:

- Or:** I give consent to the local authority to check my personal details on the local authority's Council Tax database so that I do not need to submit proof of my address.
- Or:** I do not pay Council Tax, am over the age of 16 and give consent to the local authority to check my address on the electoral register.
- Or:** I have enclosed a Council Tax or 2 utility bills or bank or building society statements bearing my name and address, dated within the last 12 months.
- Or:** I am applying on behalf of an applicant who is under the age of 16. I am providing evidence of their child benefit payments showing our address.

Proof of your identity

We need to check your identity to reduce the potential for fraudulent applications for a Blue Badge. Photographic ID is preferred where possible. You must provide original documents. Please enclose **one** of the following as proof of your identity.

- Passport
- Valid driving licence
- UK residence permit or EEC identity card
- Birth certificate / adoption certificate
- Marriage / Divorce certificate
- Civil Partnership / Dissolution certificate
- National Insurance number card
- Medical card

Proof of your entitlement

Blind or severely sight impaired

If you are registered as severely sight impaired (blind) or hold a certificate of Vision Impairment (formerly known as a BD8), you will need to provide the Certificate of Vision Impairment (CVI), signed by a Consultant Ophthalmologist, which states that you are severely sight impaired (blind), or the name of the local authority or borough with which you are registered. In many cases, you will be registered with Wirral Council. If this is not the case, we will check with the named authority that you are registered as severely sight impaired (blind).

Higher Rate of the Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance

If you receive the Higher Rate of the Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance (HRMCDLA), you must provide the award notice letter from the Pension, Disability and Carers Service (PDCS) or the annual uprating letter stating your entitlement. The uprating letter should be used as proof of receipt of HRMCDLA if your original award letter is more than 12 months old. If you have lost your HRMCDLA award letter or your uprating letter, then please contact the PDCS for a current award letter by:

- Telephone: 08457 123 456
- Textphone: 08457 22 44 33
- Email: DCPU.Customer-Services@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

This helpline is open from 7.30am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday.

‘Moving Around’ descriptor for the Mobility Component of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)

If you receive a Personal Independence Payment (PIP) and your decision letter states that you meet one of the following ‘Moving Around’ descriptors within the Mobility Component:

- You can stand and then move unaided more than 20 metres but no more than 50 metres. (8 points).
- You can stand and then move using an aid or appliance more than 20 metres but no more than 50 metres. (10 points).
- You can stand and then move more than 1 metre but no more than 20 metres. (12 points)
- You cannot stand or move more than 1 metre. (12 points)

Your decision letter can be used as proof of receipt of the relevant PIP award. If you have lost your PIP decision letter, then please contact DWP for a PIP decision letter by:

- Telephone: 08457 123 456
- Textphone: 08457 22 44 33
- Email: DCPU.Customer-Services@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

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For more information visit <https://www.gov.uk/pip>

War Pensioner’s Mobility Supplement (WPMS).

You should have an official letter from the Service Personnel and Veterans Agency demonstrating receipt of the grant. You must enclose the original of this letter as proof of entitlement.

If you have lost this letter, then the agency can be contacted via the free-phone enquiry number: 0800 169 22 77.

Lump sum benefit under the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation) Scheme

You must receive this benefit within tariff levels 1-8 (inclusive) **and** have been assessed and certified by the Service Personnel and Veterans Agency as having a permanent and substantial disability which causes inability to walk or very considerable difficulty in walking.

You should provide the letter from the Service Personnel and Veterans Agency confirming the level of your award and also confirming that you have been assessed as having a permanent and substantial disability which causes inability to walk or very considerable difficulty in walking.

If you have lost this letter, then the agency can be contacted via the free-phone enquiry number: 0800 169 22 77.

Blue Badge Issue Fee

The cost of the Blue Badge is £10.00, which covers the administration and production fee.

The one stop shops **cannot** accept payment in cash; cheques or credit or debit cards are accepted at all sites.

Payment will only be taken if your application for a Blue Badge is successful. You will only be issued with a Blue Badge once your payment has been received.

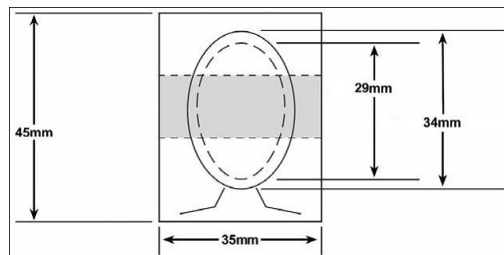
Photograph

We need to check that the photo is a true likeness of you before we can order a blue badge, which means that you will need to visit a one stop shop at least once during the application process.

Passport photograph: All applications must include a recent photograph. The photograph you provide must meet internationally agreed standards and must be a true likeness of you. The guidance in the following pages will help you provide an acceptable photograph, and will help avoid the need for us to ask for an additional photograph.

The photograph must be:

- in colour, not black and white;
- taken within the last month;
- taken against a light grey or cream background;
- 45 millimetres (mm) high x 35 millimetres (mm) wide (however, please do not trim your photographs to meet this condition);
- a close-up of your head and shoulders with a recommended head height (the distance between the bottom of your chin and the crown of your head, not the top of any hair visible) between 29 and 34mm, with the eyes in the grey shaded band. This should result in the capture of a useable biometric element by our system. The diagram below shows the positioning of the head within the image, along with the recommended head size (not to scale).



The photograph will be placed on the back of the badge and will not be visible when the badge is being displayed in the vehicle.

Unfortunately we cannot meet the cost of the photograph even if you are not eligible for a blue badge.

Children

Photographs for children aged six and over must meet the full standards set out above.

Photographs of children five years and under must show a clear image that is a true likeness of the child

Applicants who are terminally ill

Special arrangements can be made to ease the process for applicants who are terminally ill and whose life expectancy is less than 6 months. Please enclose form DS1500 with your application. These badges are issued for 3 years, and the badge fee of £10 will be waived. You do not need to provide a photo.