



Permit parking and Controlled Parking Zones

When there are parking pressures on streets in Norwich we have Controlled Parking Zones (CPZs) where parking permits are used. CPZs are very effective at preventing commuter parking or local parking pressures as we enforce the restrictions. You can find out more about permit parking and CPZs at www.norwich.gov.uk/permits

How CPZs work

The proposed permit parking zone is dependent on the outcome of this consultation. We are required by law to publish a Traffic Regulation Order which we will do alongside this public consultation so that if residents approve the scheme we can implement it quickly. This streamlines the process and reduces costs.

We are proposing a CPZ in your area that operates during the hours detailed in the letter that accompanies this note.

During these hours you and your visitors will need to use parking permits to park in a permit bay. We might also propose limited waiting bays that offer short stay parking which do not require the use of permits. These tend to be located near to local business premises. Short lengths of double yellow lines will also be implemented on junctions where they are not in place already. Please see the attached plan for the local proposals.

Outside of these hours there is no restriction on parking in any designated parking bay, nor is there any restriction on Christmas Day. However, permits are required during operational hours on all other public holidays.

Number of resident permits allowed

We offer residents up to two parking permits for their own vehicles and a choice of visitor parking permits. Visitor permits are available as a one-day 'scratchcard' (maximum of 60 per year valid on day of validation and until 10.00am the following day) and/or a four-hour permit (this is issued with a clock to confirm the time the permit is used).

Costs

Resident permit charges are based on the length of your vehicle to encourage use of shorter vehicles in CPZs to maximize the amount of parking space available.

Resident's parking permit for 12 months:

- Short vehicle (or Blue Badge holder): £21.60
- Medium vehicle: £34.20
- Long vehicle: £50.40

- Four-hour visitor permit: £21.60 for 12 months (no charge for those on low incomes).

(please note – we can issue permits for a minimum of 1 month up to 18 months)

- One-day visitor parking permit: 60p per day (but issued as a £12 minimum amount).
- We also issue care permits to people who can demonstrate the need for support relating to health/disability reasons or for childcare.

Business permits and costs

We offer a range of parking permits to suit the needs of businesses situated within a permit parking area.

A business may apply for the following permits:

- Long stay permit; all day stay (two permits with two vehicles per permit) £138 for 12 months
- Short stay permit: two hours stay (one permit with any vehicle per permit) £138 for 12 months

Minimum permit issue is one month, up to a maximum of 18 months.

There are also arrangements in place for hotels and guest houses and other specific business and household needs. Visit www.norwich.gov.uk/permits for more information.

Other things to consider

- Permits are for use on-street only. They are not required for any private off street parking areas or driveways.
- Properties built or converted after the CPZ is in operation will not receive a permit entitlement. This rule aims to ensure that CPZs are not oversubscribed when new residential developments are built.
- If you have a blue badge you can park for up to three hours in a permit bay, but you will need a permit for longer stays.
- If you are actively unloading or loading you don't need a parking permit (for example if you have deliveries from a supermarket to your property).
- CPZs are a tried and tested way of managing high demand to parking and we aim solely to cover the operating costs of enforcement, permit issuance and maintenance from permit charges. If we were to make any surplus, this would be invested in other transport improvements.
- Permit parking does not resolve parking issues if these are caused by residents own vehicles
- Streets just outside permit parking areas can be subject to increased parking pressures.