

Residential permit

Conditions of use

1. Permit information

Definition of a residential parking permit

A residential parking permit is intended for use only by the permit holder to enable them to park in residential permit bays during the restricted period of the zone.

Residential permit zones

Please check the [Controlled Parking Zones and Season Tickets Price List](#) for residential permit availability and prices.

E-parking permit

The display of a parking permit is not required and we will not therefore issue you with a paper permit. The equipment our officers use provides access to your permit details for verification purposes.

2. Who can apply and what needs to be provided

Who qualifies

We will issue residential parking permits to applicants:

- (a) who permanently reside at an address in the permit parking zone and can provide evidence, and
- (b) who own a passenger vehicle constructed or adapted solely for the carriage of no more than 12 passengers (exclusive of the driver) and their effects, and not drawing a trailer, a goods carrying vehicle not exceeding 2.3 metres in height, a motorcycle, or a mechanically propelled invalid carriage.

Note: The planning conditions for some new build housing schemes do not allow residents to apply for a residential parking permit. Applications will be cross checked with the relevant parties, registers, databases, etc.

Proof of residence (as below for new applications - for renewals, check your reminder)

A copy of one utility bill shown below must be provided (dated within the last 3 months):

- Gas
- Electric
- Water
- TV licence
- Home insurance
- Most recent Council Tax bill will be accepted

Note: A Driving Licence will not be accepted as proof of residency.

Not yet moved in?

If you have not yet moved to the address in your application, please provide a letter from your solicitor confirming completion date or tenancy agreement.

3. Your vehicle details and what you need to provide

Proof of vehicle ownership (as below for new applications - for renewals, check your reminder)

Please provide one of the following:

- **Your vehicle:** a copy of the vehicle registration document (V5C).
- **Company vehicle:** (if registered to the company) a letter of authority on letter headed paper signed by an executive or director, confirming the vehicle details and that you have exclusive use of the vehicle.
- **Leased vehicle:** a copy of the agreement which must be with a reputable organisation. Your name and address must match those of the hirer as shown on the agreement. If you change or renew the lease, please inform us immediately and provide a copy of the new agreement.
- **Bill of sale:** if you have purchased a vehicle and are not yet the registered keeper, we will accept a bill of sale and allow 1 month after change of vehicle for you to provide a copy of the V5C.

Permit valid only for the named vehicle

A permit is valid only for the specific vehicle registration given in the application. Failure to insert a vehicle registration mark correctly may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.

We will reject your application if:

The name and address on the vehicle registration document (V5C) does not match the proof or residence or name given in the application.

4. Prevention of fraud

In order to ensure the integrity of the permit scheme, the Council may undertake sample checks to verify applicant's details, including requesting copy documents as appropriate.

Your information may be shared with third parties such as APCOA for the purpose of processing a permit and the prevention of fraud. If you would like more information about how we use your data, please read our Privacy Policy - www.bexley.gov.uk/services/privacy-notice which also contains guidance on submitting data protection requests and questions.

5. How long can I have my permit for?

Length of permit and renewals

- The permit will be valid for 3 or 12 months from the date of issue.
- It is your responsibility to renew the permit on its expiry.
- If you wish to renew your permit, please apply at least 21 days before the current permit expires.

6. Where can I use my permit?

- The vehicle must be parked in a marked bay within the respective zone, where the signage indicates parking is for resident permit holders only, or a shared use bay when restricted for resident permit holders only.
- A permit does not enable you to park in designated permit holders' spaces where the signs indicate the zone is different to that which the permit was issued for, or on yellow line waiting restrictions, or in pay and display bays (unless otherwise stated);
- A permit does not grant you the right to park outside your home or guarantee the availability of a parking space.
- The Council reserves the right to suspend any parking bay as required.

7. Changes to any details and refunds

Change of address or vehicle, including temporary or courtesy vehicles

- You must surrender the permit if you change your address or cease to own or use the vehicle for which the permit was issued.
- If you change your vehicle, you will need to amend your details online immediately.
- If you do not yet have the vehicle registration document (V5C), we can arrange temporary cover for your vehicle if you provide a copy of the bill of sale immediately and the VQ5 within one month.
- If you have the use of a temporary or courtesy vehicle, you must change your details online immediately.

Refunds

If you wish to cancel your permit, a refund will be made for any full unexpired months.

8. Important information

Please note:

- 1 It is a criminal offence if, with intent to deceive, you knowingly make a false statement or mishandle or forge documents to get a resident parking permit for yourself or others. The Council may prosecute under the Theft Acts or other relevant criminal legislation.
- 2 Failure to have a valid permit or inform us of a change of vehicle or address may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.
- 3 The Council reserves the right to withhold or withdraw a permit.
- 4 Residents are not permitted to sell or transfer the permit on to other parties.