

Application Procedure

- A. At the request of any person with a disability, the Borough may authorize the designation on a street or highway within the Borough, as close as possible to the person with a disability's place of residence, of any area indicating that said place is reserved for a person with a disability and that no parking is allowed there by other than a person with a disability.
- B. Any person requesting the reservation of a parking space because of a physical disability shall make application annually in writing to the Director of Administration & Finance.
- C. All applications will be reviewed by the Police Chief, Public Works Director for a recommendation to the Director of Administration & Finance for approval or denial of the application.
- D. Upon approval of an application, a sign shall be erected and a space painted at the applicant's residence designating the handicapped parking only space.
- E. The Public Works Department shall maintain a log of all existing handicapped parking spaces.
- F. The Borough of Downingtown reserves the right to remove any handicapped parking space at its discretion.
- G. Nothing in this permit is intended to establish exclusive parking permission or rights solely for the applicant. Handicap parking spaces are for use of any person displaying appropriate placards or plates.

APPLICATION FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE

Name:	Address:
Phone:	
Exact Location of parking space requested:	
Indicate handicapped registration plate or placard no:	
Plate No.: _____ OR Placard No.: _____	
Name of person, plate or placard granted to: _____	
The Placard must be displayed from the rearview mirror on the front windshield when the vehicle is parked in a space reserved for persons with disabilities.	
Reason for handicap - Provide Code # _____ (Refer to Handicap Application MV-145A)	

-----For Office Use Only-----

Impact on Neighboring Properties		
Police Chief	___yes ___no	Comments:
Pub Works Director	___yes ___no	Comments:
Availability of Off Street Parking		
Police Chief	___yes ___no	Comments:
Pub Works Director	___yes ___no	Comments:

Approved by: Police Chief	Public Works Director
Denied by: Police Chief	Date:
Final Approval by:	
Director of Adm & Finance	Date:

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Person with Disability Placard - Complete Sections A, B or C (NOT BOTH) and E.
2. Severely Disabled Veteran Placard - Complete Sections A, D and E.
3. Temporary Placard - Complete Sections A, B and E. NOTE: Only licensed physicians may certify disabilities for temporary placards.

NOTE: Social Security # will be kept confidential by the Department.

Placard Type	Eligibility Requirements	Qualifying Vehicles	Benefits
Person with Disability Placard	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>"Reason Codes"</u></p> <p>Applicant:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) is blind. (2) does not have full use of an arm or both arms. (3) cannot walk 200 feet without stopping to rest. (4) cannot walk without the use of, or assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch, another person, prosthetic device, wheelchair or other assistive device. (5) is restricted by lung disease to such an extent that the person's forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter or the arterial oxygen tension is less than 60 MM/HG on room air at rest. (6) uses portable oxygen. (7) has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as Class III or Class IV according to the standards set by the American Heart Association. (8) is severely limited in his or her ability to walk due to an arthritic, neurological or orthopedic condition. (9) is a person in loco parentis of a person specified in paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) or (8) above. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Passenger car; or, (2) one other vehicle with a registered gross vehicle weight of not more than 9,000 pounds. (3) A vehicle (as described in 1 or 2) that is operated exclusively for the use and benefit of the person with disability. <p>NOTE: Organizations that transport persons with disabilities must supply the Department with the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) a notarized statement of how the placard will be used; b) the weekly or monthly number of hours that this service is provided; and, c) the make of the vehicle(s), including the title number, vehicle identification number and registration plate number. The vehicle(s) must be titled in the name of the organization and must be a passenger vehicle or other vehicle with a registered gross weight of not more than 9,000 pounds. d) the number of placards required: (Organizations may not be issued more than eight placards in the organization's name.) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Parking permitted in spaces designated for disabled persons and for 60 minutes in excess of legal parking period except where local ordinances or police regulations provide for the accommodation of heavy traffic during morning, afternoon or evening hours. (2) Upon request of a person with disability, local authorities may erect on the highway as close as possible to the person's residence a sign(s) indicating that the place is reserved for the person with disability, that no one else may park there unless a person with disability plate or placard is displayed and that any unauthorized person parking there will be subject to a fine.

Definition of Person in Loco Parentis - ANY ADULT charged by law with the natural parent's rights, duties and responsibilities acting on behalf of a minor child (under 18) in place of the child's natural parents.

Severely Disabled Veteran Placard	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) 100% service-connected disability certified by U.S. Veteran's Administration; or the service unit of the armed forces in which the veteran served. (2) same disabilities as listed above for Person with Disability Placard but must be service-connected. 	Same as 1 and 2 above for Person with Disability Placard.	Same as above for Person with Disability Placard.
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Use of Person with Disability and Severely Disabled Veteran Placards:

- Placards are to be used only when the vehicle in which it is displayed is parked and is being used for the transportation of the person with disability or severely disabled veteran.
- Any vehicle lawfully displaying a placard will qualify for parking in areas designated for use by persons with disability only.
- The placard will not allow vehicles to park where parking is prohibited.

Send completed application to: PA Department of Transportation
 Bureau of Motor Vehicles
 P.O. Box 68268
 Harrisburg, PA 17106-8268

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