



Blue Badge Scheme

The Blue (formerly Orange) Badge Scheme provides a national arrangement of on-street parking concessions enabling people with severe walking difficulties who travel either as drivers or passengers to park close to their destinations. The Scheme also applies to registered blind people, people with severe upper limb disabilities in both arms who regularly drive a vehicle and children under two with specific medical conditions.

The Scheme is administered by local authorities who deal with applications and issue badges. We have produced two explanatory booklets, one for people wishing to apply for a badge (Can I Get A Blue Badge) and one for people who have been issued with the badge (The Blue Badge Scheme : Rights and Responsibilities). These two leaflets are available [online](#).

You can contact the Blue Badge Helpline on either 0207 944 2914 or 0161 367 0009. Or by email at blue.badge@dft.gsi.gov.uk.

Publications and other resources

This page lists all our Blue Badge publications and fact sheets together with links to any related literature and other resources that may be of interest.

Background information

Background information on Blue Badge Scheme.

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What we have done

Information on progress with the Blue Badge Scheme.

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What are we doing to reform the scheme

Information on reforming the Blue Badge Scheme.

The Blue Badge Scheme: frequently asked questions

Published:
25 May 2004
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Legislation

The Blue Badge Scheme came into operation on 1 December 1971 under the Chronically Sick and Disabled Person' Act 1970. List of current governing and historical legislation.

Research

Information on Blue Badge Scheme research.

Information for local authorities

Information for local authorities about changes to the Blue Badge (disabled persons' parking) Scheme.

Useful contacts

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15 December 2005
