

## **Blue Badge Eligibility Checker**

This checker allows potential applicants to check if they may be eligible for a Blue Badge.

Please start at Part 1 and follow the instructions in the right hand box relevant to your response to each question.

# ELIGIBILITY CHECKER (PARTS 1 to 3)

| PART<br>1 | Who are you checking eligibility for?   | GO TO<br>PART |
|-----------|---|---------------|
|           | For you   | 2             |
|           | For someone else (If you are completing this on behalf of someone else, please choose the statements that apply to the <u>applicant</u> ) | 2             |
|           | For your organisation   | 3             |

| PART 2 | Applicants main residence                        | GO TO<br>PART |
|--------|--|---------------|
|        | My main residence is in the Scottish Borders     | 4             |
|        | My main residence is not in the Scottish Borders | 10            |

| PART<br>3 | Users main residence   | GO TO<br>PART |
|-----------|--|---------------|
|           | I represent an organisation concerned with the care of disabled people who are resident in the Scottish Borders              | 6             |
|           | I represent an organisation concerned with the care of disabled people who are resident outside of the Scottish Borders area | 13            |



## INDIVIDUALS (PARTS 4 and 5)

| PART 4 | Individual eligibility criteria  | GO TO<br>PART |
|--------|--|---------------|
|        | I am over the age of two and registered as blind (severely sight impaired)   | 8             |
|        | I receive the higher rate of the mobility component of Disability Living Allowance   | 8             |
|        | I meet a 'Moving Around' descriptor for the mobility component<br>of the Personal Independence Payment (PIP) that indicates that<br>I either cannot stand or can stand but walk no more than 50<br>metres (8 points or more)   | 8             |
|        | I meet the 'Planning and Following Journeys' descriptor for the<br>mobility component of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)<br>that indicates that I can't follow the route of a familiar journey<br>without another person, an assistance dog or an orientation aid<br>(12 points) | 8             |
|        | I receive a War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement  | 8             |
|        | I receive a tariff within 1-8 (inclusive) of the Armed Forces and<br>Reserved Forces (Compensation) Scheme and have been<br>assessed as having a permanent and substantial disability<br>which causes inability to walk or very considerable difficulty in<br>walking                | 8             |
|        | None of the above apply  | 5             |

| PART<br>5 | Individual eligibility criteria  | GO TO<br>PART |
|-----------|--|---------------|
|           | I am over the age of two and have a <u>permanent</u> and substantial disability which means I am <u>unable to walk</u> or <u>virtually unable to walk</u>  | 9             |
|           | I am over the age of two and have a temporary but substantial disability which means that I am unable to walk or virtually unable to walk which is likely to last for a period of at least 12 months but less than three years | 9             |
|           | I drive a vehicle regularly, and have a severe disability in both arms that means I am unable to operate or have considerable difficulty operating all or some types of parking meters   | 9             |
|           | I am under the age of three and have a medical condition that<br>means I must always be accompanied by bulky medical<br>equipment or means I must always be kept near a vehicle in<br>case I need emergency medical treatment  | 9             |
|           | None of the above apply  | 11            |

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## ORGANISATIONS (PARTS 6 and 7)

|           | Organisational eligibility criteria  I represent an organisation that is concerned with the <u>care of</u> <b>and</b> <u>provides transportation</u> for disabled people that are over the age of two who are either:  | GO<br>TO<br>PART |
|-----------|--|------------------|
|           | Registered as blind (severely sight impaired)  | 12               |
|           | Receive the higher rate of the mobility component of Disability Living Allowance   | 12               |
|           | Receive a War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement  | 12               |
| PART<br>6 | Meet a 'Moving Around' descriptor for the Mobility Component of<br>the Personal Independence Payment (PIP) that indicates that I<br>either cannot stand or can stand but walk no more than 50<br>metres (8 points or more)   | 12               |
|           | Meet the 'Planning and Following Journeys' descriptor for the Mobility Component of Personal Independence Payment (PIP) that indicates that I can't follow the route of a familiar journey without another person, an assistance dog or an orientation aid (12 points) | 12               |
|           | Receive a tariff within 1-8 (inclusive) of the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation) Scheme and have been assessed as having a permanent and substantial disability which causes inability to walk or very considerable difficulty walking.                   | 12               |
|           | None of the above apply  | 7                |

| PART<br>7 | Organisational eligibility criteria   | GO         |
|-----------|---|------------|
|           | I represent an organisation that is concerned with the <u>care of</u> <b>and</b> <u>provides transportation</u> for disabled people who are either:   | TO<br>PART |
|           | Over the age of two and have a <u>permanent</u> and substantial disability which means they are <u>unable</u> or <u>virtually unable to walk</u>  | 12         |
|           | Over the age of two and have a <u>temporary</u> but substantial disability which means they are <u>unable</u> or <u>virtually unable to walk</u> which is likely to last for a period of at least 12 months but less than three years | 12         |
|           | Drive a vehicle regularly, and have a severe disability in <u>both</u> arms that means they are <u>unable</u> to operate or have <u>considerable</u> <u>difficulty</u> operating all or some types of parking meters                  | 12         |
|           | Under the age of three and have a medical condition that means they must always be accompanied by bulky medical equipment or means they must always be kept near a vehicle in case they need emergency medical treatment              | 12         |
|           | None of the above apply   | 14         |



#### OUTCOME AND GUIDANCE (PARTS 8 to 14)

## PART 8

#### You should complete an application form

Based on your answers, you are likely to be eligible to receive a Blue Badge without further assessment if you can provide evidence of your entitlement and can provide proof of your identity and residency.

You should complete 'Blue Badge Form A'

## You should complete an application form

#### PART 9

Based on your answers, you may be eligible for a Blue Badge but your eligibility will need to be assessed by Scottish Borders Council. This may mean that we will seek further information from an independent medical assessor.

You should complete 'Blue Badge Form B'

## PART 10

#### You are not eligible to apply to Scottish Borders Council

You are not eligible to receive a Blue Badge from Scottish Borders Council, as your main residence is not in the Scottish Borders. You should contact your own local authority for further information about applying for a Blue Badge.

#### PART 11

#### It is unlikely you will be eligible

Based on your answers, you are unlikely to be eligible to receive a Blue Badge because the information you have provided indicates that you are unlikely to meet the qualifying criteria.

## PART 12

## You should complete an application form

Based on your answers, your organisation may be eligible to receive a Blue Badge. Scottish Borders Council may require further evidence that the disabled people in your care are themselves eligible for a badge and we may arrange to visit your organisation.

You should complete 'Blue Badge Form C'

## PART

## You are not eligible to apply to Scottish Borders Council

Your organisation is not eligible to receive a Blue Badge from Scottish Borders Council because the disabled people you care for are not resident in the Scottish Borders. You should contact your own local authority for further information about applying for an organisational Blue Badge.

## PART 14

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#### It is unlikely that your organisation will be eligible

Based on your answers, your organisation is unlikely to be eligible to receive a Blue Badge because the information you have provided indicates that you are unlikely to meet the qualifying criteria.