Blue badge parking in Camden

Your guide to parking with a blue badge in Camden
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Blue badges are issued to people with various physical disabilities or impairments. The blue badge enables the owner of the badge to park close to their destination whether they are the driver or a passenger.

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This guide provides advice on where to park in Camden with a blue badge and sheds some light on Camden’s green badge zone.

The Department for Transport’s ‘The blue badge scheme: Rights and responsibilities in England’ guide contains more detailed information on parking with a blue badge.

This blue badge guide provides you with a useful insight but further information is available on our website:

www.camden.gov.uk/parking
Where can I park with my blue badge in Camden?

Camden has two different zones for blue badge holders – the green badge zone within the busy West End area and the remainder of the borough. This section applies to the area of Camden outside of the West End. For information regarding parking within the green badge zone, please refer to section 4 of this guide.

There are different types of parking bays in Camden. Blue badge holders may park in some bays free of charge but not all bays. You may also park on yellow lines for three hours providing there are no loading restrictions in force and your accompanying clock is displayed at the time of arrival.

The below aims to help you park correctly when using your blue badge.

Resident permit bays

Can I park in this bay with my blue badge?

• Yes – As long as the resident permit bay is not within the green badge zone.

Is there a charge or time limit to park in this bay?

• No charge – You can park in a resident permit bay with your blue badge without charge.

• No time limit – There is no time limit for how long you can park in a resident permit bay with your blue badge.
Can I park in this bay with my blue badge?
- Yes – Please be aware that different rules apply to pay and display bays in the green badge zone.

Is there a charge or time limit to park in this bay?
- No charge – You can park in a pay and display bay with your blue badge without charge.
- No time limit – There is no time limit for how long you can park in a pay and display bay with your blue badge.

Did you know?
In the green badge zone blue badge holders can park for up to one hour free of charge in pay and display bays (an initial parking payment will have to be made first and you will need to display your blue badge within your vehicle).
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Blue badge parking bays

Can I park in this bay with my blue badge?

• Yes - You can also park in blue badge parking bays that are located in the green badge zone.

Is there a charge or time limit to park in this bay?

• No charge - You can park in a blue badge parking bays with your blue badge without charge.
• No time limit - There is no time limit for how long you can park in a blue badge parking bays with your blue badge.

Did you know?

The misuse of a blue badge is a serious offence. A blue badge is only for the use of the holder and is not to be used for the benefit of friends and family. It can only be used if the holder is either the driver or a passenger in a vehicle. This includes carrying out tasks such as collecting prescriptions or shopping on behalf of the holder.
Can I park in this location with my blue badge?

- **Yes** - You are required to display your blue badge and clock showing your time of arrival.

Is there a charge or time limit to park in this location?

- **No charge** - You can park on single or double yellow lines without charge.
- **Yes, there is a time limit** - You are only allowed to park for a maximum of three hours on a single or double yellow line.

Please be aware that you are not allowed to park with your blue badge if a loading ban is in operation or if the yellow lines are within the green badge zone.

A loading ban is indicated by yellow blips (chevrons) on the kerb. Double blips mean that loading and unloading is not allowed at any time. Single blips mean that loading and unloading is not allowed during certain times, which will be indicated by an accompanying time-plate.
What your blue badge doesn’t allow you to do in Camden

In Camden you will not be able to park in the following locations using your blue badge. If you do park in one of these locations you may receive a penalty charge notice (PCN).

- Car club bay
- Dedicated disabled permit holder bay
- Traders’ bay
- Business bay
- Loading only bay
- Electric vehicle charging bay
- Doctors’ bay

What your blue badge doesn’t allow you to do:

- Car club permit holders only
- Disabled permit no. 123 only
- Permit holders only
- Business permit holders only
- Business permit holders only
- Loading only
- Electric vehicle charging permit holders only
- Doctor permit holders only

Specific times and restrictions:

- Car club permit holders only: Mon - Fri 8.30 am - 6.30pm
- Disabled permit no. 123 only: Mon - Fri 8.30 am - 6.30pm
- Permit holders only: Mon - Fri 8.30 am - 6.30pm
- Business permit holders only: Mon - Fri 8.30 am - 6.30pm
- Loading only: Mon - Sat 7 am - 10 am Max stay 3 hours
- Electric vehicle charging permit holders only: Mon - Fri 8 am - 8 pm
- Doctor permit holders only: Mon - Fri 8 am - 8 pm
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- Taxi stand rank
- Ambulance bay
- Suspended bays
- Motorcycle bay

Parking in police bays, bus stops or bus stands is also not allowed with your blue badge.
Green badge zone

The green badge zone operates near the West End of London. This area is particularly congested and has a high demand for parking spaces. In this area of Camden a blue badge is only valid with a green badge.

If you hold both a blue and green badge, you are able to park in the following locations within the green badge zone:

- Green badge bays.
- Shared use loading/blue badge parking bay (between 6.30pm to 8.30am daily and all day Sunday).
- Pay and display bays.
- Resident permit holders bay.

You must ensure both your blue badge and green badge are on clear display in your car to take advantage of these parking opportunities. Remember, if you are an ordinary blue badge holder, you can park for up to one hour free of charge in pay and display bays in the green badge zone. An initial parking payment will have to be made first and you will need to display your blue badge within your vehicle.

Green badges are only available to blue badge holders who either:

- live in Camden in the green badge zone;
- work in Camden in the green badge zone; or
- study in Camden in the green badge zone.

The streets within the green badge zone can be viewed on the green badge section of our website and fall in Camden’s controlled parking zones CA-C, CA-D and CA-E.
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