

# **Blue Badge Application Form**

This form	should be	completed by	/ applicants wh	o are	applying	if they:

are unable to walk or has considerable difficulty walking;

#### and

 have a temporary but substantial disability which is likely to last for the next 12 months.

Please complete section 1 and 2 below before you check and sign the declarations in section 3. Please note that you will also need to supply the appropriate documents to confirm your address and identity.

If you are completing the form on behalf of an applicant who is under 16 or who is unable to complete the form themselves, please provide their details in appropriate sections and sign the form on their behalf.

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In line with the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) we have updated our Privacy Policy.

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# **Section 1 - Information about the applicant**

Title (Please Select)	Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms / Other:
First name	
Surname	
Surname at Birth (if different)	
Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	
Place of Birth	Town: Country:
National Insurance Number	
Current address	
Postcode	
Contact details	Home: Mobile: Email:
Previous address, if different in the last three years	
Postcode	

For enforcement purposes please nominate the vehicle registration number(s) for the main cars in which you intend to use the Blue Badge: (Up to three registration numbers should be nominated, but please remember that other vehicles can be used)

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## **Proof of residency**

We need to check that you are a resident in our local authority area before we can process your application. Please select one of the following options and provide original documentation, where relevant:

I give consent to the local authority to check my personal details on the local authority's Council Tax database so that I do not need to submit proof of my address.	
I have enclosed a Council Tax bill bearing my name and address, dated within the last 12 months.	
I do not pay Council Tax, am over the age of 16 and give consent to the local authority to check my address on the electoral register.	
I am applying on behalf of an applicant who does not pay Council Tax and is under the age of 16. I give my consent to the local authority to check school records to confirm their address.	

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# **Section 2 - Temporary Impairment Criteria**

Please choose which of the following statements applies to the condition that you have been diagnosed with and how long it will be likely to last?

Please	Condition / Impairment	Estimated
tick		recovery time
	I am recovering from a complex leg fracture, possibly managed with external fixators	
	I am undergoing therapy in order to recover from stroke or head injury that has impacted on my mobility	
	I am undergoing therapy in order to recover from spinal trauma with the loss of leg function	
	I am undergoing medical intervention, for example treatment for cancer, that impacts on my mobility	
	I have a severe functional leg impairments and I am awaiting or have undergone joint replacement (e.g. unilateral or bilateral hip, knee, etc)	
	Other, please describe:	

Please provide details of any health professionals you have seen who would be able to support your claim. This may include:

Surgeon

Occupational Therapists

Social Services rehabilitation team

Health professional that provides specialist services, eg, physiotherapist.

Macmillan nurse or others involved in patient care

Name	Job title	Hospital/Health Centre	Telephone Number	Date last seen

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# Section 3 – Declarations and signatures

Mandatory declarations about the information you have provided and the application process. Please read the following declarations thoroughly.

- Please tick all relevant boxes to indicate that you have read and understood each declaration.
- Failure to tick one of these declarations may mean we are unable to consider your application.
- Providing fraudulent information may result in prosecution and a fine.

All documents relating to this application will be dealt with in line with the Data Protection Act 2018 (including General Data Protection Regulation and other Data Protection Laws) and may be shared within the local authority, with other local authorities, the police and parking enforcement officers to detect and prevent fraud. Any medical information that you have supplied to support this application is deemed, under the Data Protection Act, to be "special categories" of personal data and will only be disclosed to third parties as necessary for the operation and administration of the Blue Badge scheme, and to other Government Departments or agencies, to validate proof of entitlement or as otherwise required by law.

### Declarations to be completed by **ALL** applicants or nominee

I confirm that, as far as I know, the details provided are complete and accurate. I realise that you may take action against me if false information has been provided in this application form.	
I understand that I must promptly inform my local authority of any changes that may affect my entitlement to a badge.	
I confirm that the photograph I have submitted with the application is a true likeness.	
I understand that, if my application is successful, I must not allow any other person to use the badge for their benefit and that I must only use the badge in accordance with the rules of the scheme as set out in "The Blue Badge Scheme - Rights and Responsibilities in Wales" leaflet which will be sent to me with the badge.  Fraudulent applications or misuse of a badge may result in a fine of £1,000 and/or forfeit of the badge.	
I understand that I must not hold more than one valid Blue Badge at any time.	

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I confirm that I do not currently hold a Blue Disabled Person's Parking Badge that has been issued by a different local authority	
I understand that you will deal with all documents relating to this application in line with the Data Protection Act 2018 (including General Data Protection Regulation and other Data Protection Laws), and you may share them with other local authorities, the police and parking enforcement officers to detect and prevent fraud.	
I understand that you may need to contact an accredited professional within the health, social care or education services for the purpose of obtaining further information in support of this application.	
Where further information is required, I understand that I may be required to undertake a face to face interview with a member of the Blue Badge team, in order to determine my eligibility for a Blue Badge.	

# Checklist of documents you should enclose, if applicable

We have provided a checklist below to help remind you of what information you need to enclose.

Proof of your address, dated within the last 12 months. (if you have not given consent for us to check Council Tax/electoral register/school records)	
Proof of your identity	
A passport-style photograph of yourself with your name on the back	
A supporting letter from the health professional named in section 2*	

# Your signature against the declarations

Your signature	
Print Name	
Date of Application	

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<sup>\*</sup>Please note that if you are unable to provide supporting evidence then you may be invited to undergo a further assessment

# Please return this form together with all documentation to your local Community Hub or Contact Centre

## **Abergavenny One Stop Shop**

Market Hall Cross Street Abergavenny Monmouthshire NP7 5HD

## **Usk Hub**

35 Maryport Street Usk Monmouthshire NP15 1AE

#### **Caldicot Hub**

Woodstock Way Caldicot Monmouthshire NP26 5DB

## **Chepstow Hub**

Manor Way Chepstow Monmouthshire NP16 5HZ

#### **Monmouth Hub**

Rolls Hall Monmouth Monmouthshire NP25 3BY

## By Post:

#### **Contact Centre**

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Chepstow Library Building Manor Way Chepstow Monmouthshire NP16 5HZ Tel: 01633-644644

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## **Guidance Notes**

Your application will be verified by the local authority, and an accredited professional within the health, social care or education services will be contacted to obtain further information in support of this application.

The declarations include a section for you to agree to this.

#### **Proof of your identity:**

We need to check your identity to reduce the potential for fraudulent applications for a Blue Badge. You must attach a certified photocopy of one of the following as proof of your identity:

- Birth certificate/adoption certificate
- Marriage/Divorce certificate
- Civil Partnership/Dissolution certificate
- Passport
- Valid driving licence
- Concessionary Travel Card

**Identification documents** that include **a photograph** are preferable but please check with your local authority if you are unable to provide one of the above.

A certified photocopy is a photocopy of a document that has been verified as being true by a person, other than your partner or family member, who has known you for a minimum of two years and is 18 years or over.

The individual certifying the documents should include the text: "This copy is a true likeness of the original" alongside their signature. They should also print their name and occupation alongside this information.

These are examples of the type of person that would be suitable:

accountant bank/building society official	Justice of the Peace licensee of public house	police officer social worker
barrister	local government officer	solicitor
councillor (local or county)	nurse (RGN and RMN)	surveyor
civil servant	officer of the armed services	teacher, lecturer
dentist	optician	trade union officer
fire service official	pharmacist	

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#### Photo:

The photograph can be provided electronically to the local authority in the form of a jpg. The photograph must have a strong definition between face and background and **must as far as practicable** be;

- · in colour;
- 45 millimetres in height and 35 millimetres in width (passport size);
- taken within a month prior to the date of the application;
- against a light grey or cream background;
- undamaged;
- free from "red eye", shadows, reflection or glare from spectacles;
- of the full head of the holder (without any other person visible or any covering, unless it is worn for religious beliefs or medical reasons);
- facing forward;
- with nothing covering the face;
- · looking straight at the camera;
- · with a neutral expression and mouth closed;
- with eyes open and clearly visible (without sunglasses or tinted spectacles and without hair or spectacle frames obscuring the eyes);
- in sharp focus and clear;
- printed professionally or in digital format; a true likeness, without amendment.

#### Address:

Proof of address should be in the form of an original Council Tax bill bearing your name and address. The original must be submitted with your application and will be returned at the end of the application process. If this is difficult please contact your local authority to check whether they will accept certified copies.

You will not need to submit your Council Tax bill if you have ticked the appropriate box in Section 1, which gives your consent for the local authority to check your address on their Council Tax records or electoral register.

If you are completing the application form on behalf of someone under the age of 16, you should give your consent for the local authority to check school records to confirm their address.

#### Blue Badge Issue Fee:

There is no charge to the Blue Badge holder upon first issue of a badge, however, a fee of up to £10 may be charged for badges issued as replacements in the case where a badge has been lost, stolen or damaged to an extent it cannot be read by people who will be checking the badge when used for parking or other concessions.

Your local authority may request that credit/debit card details and/or a cheque are included with the application form in readiness for payment to be taken if your application is successful. Your local authority will only issue successful applicants with a Blue Badge once payment of the required fee has been received.

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#### Other information:

You should also provide the Vehicle Registration Numbers of up to three vehicles in which you are most likely to use a Blue Badge if your application is successful. This information helps local authorities with their enforcement of the Blue Badge scheme rules, but please note that you can use a Blue Badge in other vehicles too.

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