

Accessible Parking in Texas

Accessible Parking Placards and Plates for People and
Veterans with Disabilities



Texas Department *of* Motor Vehicles

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Options Available from TxDMV

Temporary



A red placard is for a person who has a temporary disability. This placard expires in 6 months or less.

Permanent



A blue placard is for a person who has a permanent disability. This placard is renewable every 4 years.

Permanent



A license plate with the International Symbol of Access (ISA) is for a person who has a permanent disability.



Eligibility

- ❑ Visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with correcting lenses
- ❑ Visual acuity of more than 20/200 but with a limited field of vision in which the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle of 20 degrees or less
- ❑ Mobility problems that substantially impair a person's ability to move around; these problems can be caused by:
 - Paralysis
 - Lung disease
 - Cardiac deficiency
 - Wheelchair confinement
 - Arthritis
 - Foot disorder
 - Other medical condition causing a person to use a brace, cane, crutch or other assistive device.

NOTE: A parking placard or plate is ONLY valid when being used by the person with the disability or someone who is driving the person with the disability.

Plate or Placard Application



- You may apply for a placard and/or plate at your local county tax assessor-collector's office.
- To apply for a "permanent" (blue) placard or "temporary" (red) placard, you must:
 - Download the Application for Persons with Disabilities Parking Placard and/or License Plate (Form VTR-214)
 - Have your doctor or health care provider complete the Disability Statement section of the application
 - Submit the completed application and payment (if applicable) to your county tax office
- No fee for "permanent" (blue) placard and \$5 for "temporary" (red)



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of Motor Vehicles

Application for Persons with Disabilities Parking Placard and/or License Plate

County Use Only

License No. _____

Parking Placard 1 _____

Parking Placard _____

County No. _____

Date Issued _____

Instructions

Persons with Disabilities Parking Placard: Submit the completed application and payment (if required) in the form of a personal check, money order, or cashier's check with proof of eligibility to your local county tax assessor-collector's office or the county tax assessor-collector's office where you are seeking medical treatment.

Persons with Disabilities License Plate: Submit the completed application and payment (if required) in the form of a personal check, money order, or cashier's check with proof of eligibility to your local county tax assessor-collector's office.

Contact the appropriate local county tax assessor-collector's office for processing application by mail. **Do not mail cash.** Include a copy of the photo identification (IT).

IMPORTANT: The signature must be on an original press-on page 2), and a statement

- A parking placard may be used with a permanent disability
- Disabled Person license disability (limit one set of license plates)
- Limit: one (1) placard for license plates.
- Attach a separate application weight of 18,000 lbs. or less
- Active duty U.S. military
- Non-Texas residents see instructions on page 2)

Applicant Information

First Name _____

Institution Name (if applicable) _____

Address _____

Email _____

Identification Statement

Please include your Driver License application will be partially completed by the person with the disability

making application on behalf of the person with the disability

the administrator or manager of the business

Chapter 242, 246, or 247 of the Texas Government Code

Application for Parking Placard

Disabled Person License

Disabled Person License

Vehicle Information

Vehicle Identification Number _____

Vehicle Type Passenger Motorcycle

Certification - State law

I meet the eligibility requirements of a person with a disability

Signature: _____

Form VTR-214 Rev. 8/2015

Application for Persons with Disabilities Parking Placard and/or License Plate

Definitions

Transportation Code, Section 681.001(2) defines a disability as a condition in which a person has:

- (a) mobility problems that substantially impair the person's ability to ambulate;
- (b) visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with correcting lenses; or
- (c) visual acuity of more than 20/200 but with a limited field of vision in which the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle of 20 degrees or less.

Transportation Code, Section 681.001(5) defines a mobility problem as one that substantially impairs a person's ability to ambulate, and the person:

- (a) cannot walk 200 feet without stopping to rest;
- (b) cannot walk without the use of or assistance from an assistance device, including a brace, cane, crutch, another person or a prosthetic device;
- (c) cannot ambulate without a wheelchair or similar device;
- (d) is restricted by lung disease to the extent that the person's forced respiratory expiratory volume for one second, measured by spirometry, is less than one liter, or the arterial oxygen tension is less than 60 millimeters of mercury on room air at rest;
- (e) uses portable oxygen;
- (f) 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 standards set by the American Heart Association;
- (g) is severely limited in the ability to walk because of an arthritic, neurological, or orthopedic condition;
- (h) has a disorder of the foot that, in the opinion of a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state or in a state adjacent to this state, limits or impairs the person's ability to walk; or
- (i) has another debilitating condition that, in the opinion of a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state or a state adjacent to this state, or authorized by applicable law to practice medicine in a hospital or other health facility of the Veterans Administration, limits or impairs the person's ability to walk.

Disability Statement - This section to be completed by a Licensed Medical Professional.*

* A Licensed Medical Professional is defined as a physician, podiatrist, optometrist, or qualifying physician's assistant or advanced practice nurse as defined in Chapter 301, Occupations Code. At least one of the following conditions must be met:

- Licensed in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, or Oklahoma; or
- Must practice medicine in a U.S. military installation based in Texas; or
- Must practice medicine in a hospital or health facility of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

I certify that _____ has a permanent, or temporary disability as defined above.

Printed Name of Person with a Disability or Mobility Problem _____

Printed Name of Licensed Medical Professional _____ Professional License Number _____ Date _____

Signature of Licensed Medical Professional _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

On this date, _____ the above named licensed medical professional _____ Date _____ Name _____ appeared before me so that I could witness his or her signature.

State of _____, County of _____

Notary Public _____

My commission expires _____ Date _____

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Form VTR-214 Rev. 8/2015 Form available online at www.TxDOTV.gov Page 2 of 2



Disabled Veterans

As of January 1, 2022, anyone parking in a disabled parking space must have a disabled person license plate or a disabled parking placard that features the *International Symbol of Access (ISA)*, including disabled veteran license plates.

- For a disabled parking placard, download the Application for Persons with Disabilities Parking Placard and/or License Plate (Form VTR-214).
- For a disabled veteran license plate with or without the ISA, download the Application for Disabled Veteran License Plates and/or Parking Placard (Form VTR-615).
- Have your doctor or health care provider complete the Disability Statement section of the application or provide an original prescription.
- Submit the completed application(s) and payment (if applicable) to your county tax office.

Currently issued disabled parking placards will remain valid; however, the new requirements must be met at time of renewal.

For County Use Only
License No. _____
Parking Placard 1 _____

Application for Disabled Veteran License Plates and/or Parking Placards

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Application for Disabled Veteran License Plates and/or Parking Placards

Disability Statement — This section to be completed by a Licensed Medical Professional. *

A Licensed Medical Professional is defined as a physician, podiatrist, optometrist, or qualifying physician's assistant or advanced practice nurse as defined in Chapter 301, Occupations Code. At least one of the following conditions must be met:

- Licensed in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, or Oklahoma; or
- Must practice medicine in a U.S. military installation based in Texas; or
- Must practice medicine in a hospital or health facility of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

I certify that _____ has a permanent disability, as defined above.

Printed Name of Person with a Disability or Mobility _____

Printed Name of Licensed Medical Professional _____ Professional License Number _____ Date _____

Signature of Licensed Medical Professional _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Notary — This section must be completed by a notary if an original prescription is not submitted.

On this date, _____ the above named licensed medical professional _____ appeared before me so that I could witness his or her signature.

STAMP HERE State of _____, County of _____
 Notary Public _____
 My commission expires _____ Date _____

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Additional Information

- ❑ Reciprocity
- ❑ Lost, Stolen, or Seized Placard
- ❑ Parking Privileges



Questions?

- ❑ Please visit our website at www.TxDMV.gov/motorists/disabled-parking-placards-plates
- ❑ Resources available
 - Basic Facts for Persons with Disabilities Brochure
 - Disabled Veterans License Plate Brochure
 - Specialty Plates Disabled Veteran Plate Guide