

We're all about building inclusive communities

Building inclusive communities requires making areas accessible. To help us keep our community inclusive we need everyone to participate in keeping access available. This includes parking areas for people with disability.

These areas are designed specifically for people who experience difficulty with mobility.

This brochure outlines the facts about parking areas for people with disability in Australia.

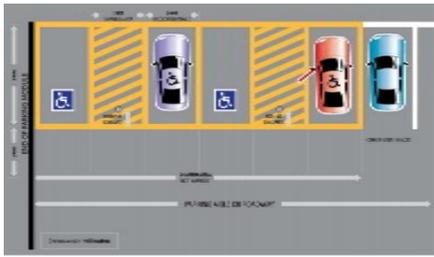
This brochure contains information about the parking of your vehicle

No Permit No Park

Driver and community education program.



A Community Initiative



What is a disability parking area?

Quite simply, anywhere you see a parking sign or ground marking on a parking area that has the International Symbol of Access (see image above), it means this area is reserved for people who hold a disability parking permit.

- Fines and penalties apply under the Australian Road Rules legislation for parking in these areas without a valid permit.
- Exemptions for certain vehicles apply under legislation.

Are you eligible for an Australian Disability Parking Permit?



- You may be able to get an Australian permit if your ability to walk is severely restricted by a medical condition or disability.
- To apply you will need an application form from the issuing authority in your state with a medical declaration from your doctor.
- When using a disability parking permit you must comply to the conditions of that permit.
- Visit the national government website for more info <https://www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/disability-and-carers/programmes-services/for-people-with-disability/australian-disability-parking-scheme>

Important facts about disability parking

- Disability parking is part of the Disability (Access to Premises — Buildings) Standards 2010 as amended, made under subsection 31 (1) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.
- Disability parking laws for road users are legislated under National Transport Commission (Road Transport Legislation - Australian Road Rules) Regulations 2006 in Part 12 Division 6 section 203.
- The design of the bay may vary due to building standards at the time the parking area was built however as long as it displays the International Symbol of access it is a legally enforceable space.
- Both Police and Council officers are authorised to issue infringements. All street parking and road related areas, including car parks that are accessible by the public such as shopping centres, can be patrolled by police and/or council depending on local arrangements.
- Penalties vary from state to state and can include a fine of a few hundred to several thousand dollars and demerit points.
- Painted islands (areas marked with striped lines) around disability parking bays are also no parking zones that carry a penalty.



Why have I received this?

We work with government authorities, local communities and volunteers to keep everyone educated about disability access rights and community responsibilities.

You have received this for one of the following possible reasons:

- Your vehicle was spotted parked in a disability bay without a permit on display.
- Your permit was not displayed correctly.
- Your permit is expired or not valid.
- Your vehicle was parked on a painted island for disability access.
- Your permit conditions do not allow you to park here.
- A general education campaign is running in this area.
- Other: _____

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