



## Information For Holders of Accessible Parking Permits

City of Oshawa Traffic By-Law 79-99 establishes parking privileges on public parking areas and on roadways under the jurisdiction of the City of Oshawa for holders of accessible parking permits issued by the Province of Ontario. Any vehicle in which a valid accessible parking permit is properly displayed will be permitted the privileges outlined below. Motorcyclists with an M or M2 valid driver's license and a valid Accessible Parking Permit may display their Accessible Parking Permit motorcycle plate decal instead of displaying their Accessible Parking Permit as long as they carry with them their Accessible Parking Permit in the event they are asked to produce a permit for inspection by law enforcement.

**You may park** for a period up to 24 hours when the 3-hour general parking limit applies, unless an OFFICIAL SIGN is displayed which indicates otherwise.

**You may park** without paying where a fee is required for a PARKING SPACE on a HIGHWAY or in a PARKING LOT, i.e.

- Meters, Pay and Display, Pay by Plate and Paid Permit parking areas on street (up to the time limit)
- Pay and Display machines in municipal lots (up to 24 hours)

**In addition, you CANNOT park:**

- In no stopping zones
- In no parking zones
- Longer than posted limit, i.e. 1 Hour or 2 Hour permitted parking
- Between 3am and 6am December 1-April 1
- On or over a sidewalk or boulevard
- Within an intersection or crosswalk
- Within 10 metres of an intersection
- In such a manner as to interfere with the movement of traffic
- In such a manner as to interfere with snow clearing
- In such a manner as to interfere with highway maintenance operations
- Upon a bridge
- In front of or within 2 metres of a driveway
- Within 3 metres of a fire hydrant
- In a fire route
- Within any bus stop or school bus loading zone
- In any other location where parking would create an obvious hazard or impediment

**Please also note the following:**

Accessible parking permits shall not be altered or defaced in any way. Photocopied or reproduced copies (by any means) are not valid. Persons using copied, altered or fraudulently obtained permits may be charged under the Highway Traffic Act.

Accessible parking permits are issued to the individual with the disability; the permit privileges are not transferable. The permit is not valid when displayed on a vehicle and the vehicle is not being used to pick up or transport the holder of the permit.

If someone is using your permit to park in an accessible parking space when you are not present a parking ticket may be issued for parking in the space without a valid permit and he or she is subject to being charged under the Highway Traffic Act. The permit may be retained for misuse and may not be returned to the permit holder. The permit holder would be required to re-apply to the Ministry of Transportation for a new permit only after the court case is completed.

For more information on Accessible Parking Permits please refer to the Ontario Highway Traffic Act and the Revised Regulations of Ontario 1990, Reg. 581.

**For further information contact Service Oshawa at 905-436-3311**