

Where may I park in a CPZ?

Vehicles may only be parked in marked parking bays. These bays are located where it is safe to park and unlikely to cause a physical or visual obstruction. Each bay may be restricted by charge, length of stay or permit requirement. Permit holder bays will be undivided to ensure greater parking efficiency. 'Pay & display' bays and shared use bays will be marked individually.

What is a permit holder bay?

This is a bay in which only vehicles displaying a valid resident, business or visitor permit may be parked.

What is a 'pay & display' bay?

These are bays designed for short or long-term parking. Any vehicle parked in these bays must display a valid 'pay & display' ticket that may be purchased from a nearby ticket machine. Each of these bays will allow non-permit holders' vehicles to park for a 'maximum stay'. Parking will be free in these bays until they become operational. However, it will not be possible to purchase a ticket until the bays become operational. The operational times of the bays will be shown on parking signs.

What is a shared use bay?

These are bays designed for use by either permit holders (without additional charge) or by non-permit holders who must purchase a 'pay & display' ticket. These bays have a 'maximum stay' that only 'pay & display' users must adhere to.

How much will 'pay & display' cost?

Tariffs vary across the Borough from £1.00 per hour to £2.50 per hour.

Where may 'blue badge' holders park?

Disabled parking bays are available for use to all Blue Badge holders. Badge holders may park free of charge and without time limit at pay&display only and shared-use bays. Blue Badge holders may not park on resident parking bays. Check with the local authority's Highways Department. However, in Merton, Blue Badge holders may park free of charge for an unlimited period on permit holder parking bays. Residents of Merton who possess a Blue Badge may apply for a resident permit free of charge. Resident visitor permit are charged at the current rate. All other national guidelines on the use of Blue Badges apply throughout the borough.

Where may motorcyclists park?

Solo motorcycles may be parked in permit holder bays and motorcycle bays free of charge.

Where can't I park?

Yellow lines indicate where vehicles should not be parked. Single yellow lines operate only during the controlled hours of a zone unless signs indicate otherwise. Double yellow lines are operational at all times.

Can a CPZ be reviewed after implementation?

Newly implemented CPZs will be monitored and maybe reviewed within 12 to 18 months after implementation. If necessary earlier action maybe taken to improve the parking arrangements.

How much do resident and business permits cost?

Resident

1 st Permit in household	£ 65.00 per annum
2 nd Permit in household	£ 110.00 per annum
3 rd & subsequent Permits in household	£ 140.00 per annum
Address Permit	£ 65.00 per annum (For residents who regularly change vehicles, ie. company vehicles)
Address Permit	FREE (For housebound/registered disabled residents who require daily care)
Business Permit	£221.00 per 6 months (All zones except W1, W2, W3, W4 & W5)

Central Wimbledon Business Permit £251.00 per 6 months (Zones W1, W2, W3, W4 & W5)

A permit will not be issued for a vehicle greater than 2.28 metres in height or more than 5.25 metres in length. Business permits are provided for vehicles used to assist in the operations of a business rather than providing reduced rate commuter parking. No more than two business permits will usually be issued per business except in exceptional circumstances.

How much do resident visitor permits cost?

Half day (08.30 - 14.00 / 12.00 - 18.30) £ 2.50

Full day £ 2.50

Annual permit £140.00

Residents are entitled to 100 half-day visitor permits per annum and 50 full day permits per annum. Vehicles displaying these permits may be parked in either permit bays or shared use bays within the zone.

Why must I pay to park in my street?

In order to meet the costs of installation, maintenance, enforcement and review of the zone, we must charge residents/businesses and their visitors. Controlled parking is not a core service of the Council and government advice states that it should be financially self-sufficient. By law, any revenue generated from parking must be spent on transport related schemes.

What if I have special care needs?

If you are housebound and require regular care or nursing attendance, you may apply for a free discretionary permit.

How are regulations enforced?

Uniformed parking attendants will regularly patrol the zone and issue a penalty charge notice (PCN) to any vehicle that is illegally parked.

What is the cost of a PCN?

As of the 1st July 2007 differential parking penalty charges have been introduced with some of the cost for offences reducing to £60 and some increasing to £100, all Bus Lane charges will increase to £120, for a more detailed summary of the changes please go to the London Councils web site on <http://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/doc.asp?doc=20090&cat=937>

How will I know when the regulations are in force?

Zone entry signs show the hours of operation of zones. Any restrictions within a zone that do not operate for these times are signed independently.