

London Borough of Barnet

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DISABLED PERSONS FREEDOM PASS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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Eligibility for a Disabled Persons Freedom Pass (DPFP)

To be eligible for a Disabled Persons Freedom Pass:

- Your sole or principal residence must be in London
And
- Have any of the statutory disabilities listed in the section 240 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 as amended by section 151 of the Transport Act 2000.

The seven categories identified by the s240 of the Greater London Authority Act (as amended) are:

- (b)who are blind;
- (c)who are partially sighted;
- (d)who are profoundly or severely deaf;
- (e)who are without speech;
- (f)who have a disability, or have suffered an injury, which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to walk;
- (g)who do not have arms or have long-term loss of the use of both arms;
- (h)who have a learning disability, that is, a state of arrested or incomplete development of mind which includes significant impairment of intelligence and social functioning; or
- (i)who, if they applied for the grant of a licence to drive a motor vehicle under Part III of the ^{M2} Road Traffic Act 1988, would have their applications refused pursuant to section 92 of that Act (physical fitness) otherwise than on the ground of persistent misuse of drugs or alcohol.

People who have automatically eligibility

As per the s240 of the Greater London Authority Act (as amended) eligibility may be considered 'automatic' if an individual is in receipt of any of the following state benefits:

- Higher Rate Mobility Component of the Disability Living Allowance (HRMCDLA)
- War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement (WPMS)
- Personal Independence Payment (PIP), with an award of eight points or more for either or both of the two relevant activities: 'Moving Around' and 'Communicating Verbally'.

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Assessment Criteria

Category	Acceptable evidence of stated disability
Is blind or partially sighted	A Certificate of Visual Impairment (CVI) <i>or</i> A BD8 Certificate <i>or</i> A London Borough of Barnet (LBB) Social Care Direct registration number
Is profoundly or severely deaf	A recent Audiogram or an Audiology Report which states a severe hearing loss of 70-95 dB HL (Hearing Level) and a profound loss of 95+ dB HL <i>or</i> Provide London Borough of Barnet Social Care Direct registration number
Is without speech	Recent Personal Independence Payment (PIP) award letter stating an award of eight points or more for 'Communicating Verbally' <i>or</i> Recent Medical Evidence from a Speech Therapist
Has suffered an injury, which has a substantial and long term adverse effect on your ability to walk	Recent Personal Independence Payment (PIP) award letter stating an award of eight points or more for the 'Moving Around' <i>or</i> Recent Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance (HRMCDLA) award letter <i>or</i> Recent War Pensioners Mobility Supplement (WPMS) award letter Or Mobility assessment by LBB's Independent Medical Assessor (if Desk Based Assessment returns a score of 8-9 points)
Do not have arms, or have long term loss of both arms	Medical Evidence demonstrating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Loss of both arms <i>or</i> - Impairment resulting in loss of use of both arms <i>or</i> - Deformity of both arms resulting in being unable to carry out day-to-day tasks

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<p>Has a learning disability, that is, a state of arrested or incomplete development of mind which includes significant impairment of intelligence and social functioning</p>	<p>Provide proof of accepted registration with the Barnet Learning Disabilities Services (BLDS) <i>or</i> Receiving Services from BLDS <i>or</i> Recent Clinical Psychological/Psychiatrist Assessment Report <i>or</i> Current Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP) with relevant assessment/Education statement <i>or</i> Receiving benefits relating to their disability</p>
<p>Would, if he/she applied for the grant of a licence to drive a motor vehicle under Part III of the Road Traffic Act 1988, have his application refused pursuant to section 92 of the Act (physical fitness) otherwise than on the ground of persistent misuse of drugs or alcohol.</p>	<p>Refusal or revocation letter from DVLA <i>or</i> Recent Medical evidence of: i. Epilepsy <i>or</i> ii. Severe mental disorder <i>or</i> iii. Sudden attacks of fainting <i>or</i> iv. Inability to read a registration plate at 20.5 metres even with lenses <i>or</i> v. Other disabilities which are likely to cause the driving of vehicles by them to be a source of danger to the public <i>or</i> ‘Supporting Information Request Form’ completed by a specialist <i>or</i> Evidence of contact with mental health professional in relationship to a mental health diagnosis which has a significant impact on their wellbeing <i>or</i> Subject to Current Mental Health Care Programme Approach <i>or</i> Evidence of receiving benefits such as DLA OR PIP relating to their disability</p>