

## **Application Form for Travel Concessions for disabled people resident in Leicestershire (excluding Leicester City)**

Residents of Leicester can obtain a form from a City Council Customer Services Centre - 0116 454 1000

### **Who is the scheme for?**

You can apply if you are normally resident in Leicestershire and are:

- Registered as severely sight impaired (blind) or sight impaired (partially sighted) with VISTA;
- Profoundly or severely deaf;
- Without speech;
- Without the use of both arms;
- Having a learning disability including significant impairment of intelligence and social functioning;
- Likely to be refused a driving licence for medical reasons, otherwise than on the ground of persistent misuse of drugs or alcohol;
- Having a permanent severe walking difficulty.

**You may automatically qualify for a pass** - If you have been awarded any of the following benefits for at least 12 months. You will need to provide your award letter as evidence of receipt of these benefits:

- Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance;
- Personal Independence Payment (PIP) indicating that you cannot walk more than 50 metres or cannot communicate without help;
- War Pensioners Mobility Supplement.

If you have been awarded a lump sum under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme, you will need to provide as evidence either your Notice of Walking Disability letter or Reasons for Decision letter from the Service Personnel and Veterans Agency or Veterans UK.

If you have a Blue Badge (Disabled Person's Parking Permit) issued by Leicestershire County Council you may automatically qualify.

## What benefits will I get from my travel pass?

**Free bus travel (National Statutory Scheme).** Your pass will enable you to travel free on local buses in all parts of England, between 9.30am and 11.00pm on Monday to Friday and all day at weekends and bank holidays. The pass can also be used at these times on Leicester Park & Ride services to obtain a concessionary fare of £1 per day.

## How do I apply and how long will it take to get my pass?

Fill in all relevant sections of the form and send it to the address shown with a photograph of the size used in passports. You will also need to send proof of entitlement; either section 3 signed by a health professional or evidence of receipt of qualifying benefit. You must sign section 4 of the form. At our busiest times it can take us up to 28 days (4 weeks) to deal with all the applications we receive.

Send the **signed form, photograph and proof of entitlement** to  
Disabled Persons' Travel Scheme, County Hall, Glenfield, Leicester LE3 8ST.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Only the pass most recently issued to you is valid for travel.** Therefore if you lose your pass and get a replacement, your original pass ceases to be valid, even if you later rediscover it. **You are likely to be refused free travel if you present anything other than your most recent pass.**

If you have any questions you can contact us by telephone on Leicester (0116) 305 0002 or e-mail us at [customerservices@leics.gov.uk](mailto:customerservices@leics.gov.uk).

If you require this information in an alternative version such as large print, Braille, tape or help in understanding it in your language please contact 0116 305 0002

જો આપ આ માહિતી આપની ભાષામાં સમજવામાં થોડી મદદ, ઈચ્છનાં હો તો 0116 305 0002 નંબર પર ફોન કરશો અને અમે આપને મદદ કરવા અવસ્થા કરીશું.

નેવર ડ્રોપ્સ ઇસ નાનકાદારી નું સમજાવ દિવસ રૂઝ મદદ ચાહીલી વૈ તાં વિરખા વરવે 0116 305 0002 નંબર કે ફોન કરે અટે અર્સી ડ્રોપ્સી મદદ લઈ લિસે ઇા પૂર્ણ કર દવાંગો।

এই তথ্য নিজের ভাষায় বুঝার জন্য আপনার যদি কোন সাহায্যের প্রয়োজন হয়, তবে 0116 305 0002 এই নম্বরে ফোন করলে আমরা উপযুক্ত ব্যক্তির বাবস্থা করবো।

假如閣下需要幫助，用你的語言去明白這些資訊，請致電 0116 305 0002，我們會安排有關人員為你提供幫助。

Jeżeli potrzebujesz pomocy w zrozumieniu tej informacji w Twoim języku, zadzwoń pod numer 0116 305 0002, a my Ci pomożemy.

**Concessionary Travel Enquiries**

**Phone (0116) 305 0002**

**Minicom number (0116) 305 0007**

# Leicestershire Concessionary Travel for Disabled People

## SECTION 1

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Other) ..... Surname/Family Name .....

First Names..... Date of Birth.....

Address .....

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Post Code ..... Telephone Number .....

## SECTION 2

Which type of disability do you have? (tick one or more boxes):

**Sight Impaired or Severely Sight Impaired**     **Severely/Profoundly Deaf**     **Learning Disability**

**Severe Walking Disability**     **Without Speech**     **Without the use of both arms**

**Medically unfit to hold a driving licence**

## SECTION 3

This section is to provide evidence that you are eligible.

For **SIGHT IMPAIRED** or **SEVERELY SIGHT IMPAIRED** people:

Are you registered with VISTA?    **No**     **Yes**

For **DEAF** people: To qualify for the concessionary travel scheme you need to have a hearing loss of 70dBHL or greater. You should ask an audiologist or aural specialist to provide a signed letter or statement about your level of hearing loss, and enclose it with this form.

For people with a **LEARNING DISABILITY**: Have you attended a Special School or Day Centre or other form of specialist service?    **No**     **Yes**

If YES, please write here the name and address of the school or specialist service.

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Are you applying on the grounds of qualifying through receipt of the Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payment (PIP) or the War Pensioners Mobility Supplement?    **No**     **Yes**

If yes, you need to enclose evidence of receipt of benefit for at least 12 months. You do not need to ask a health professional to complete section 3.

Are you applying on the grounds of receiving a lump sum payment under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme?    **No**     **Yes**

If yes, you need to provide as evidence either your Notice of Walking Disability letter or Reasons for Decision letter from the Service Personnel and Veterans Agency or Veterans UK. If you have a Notice of Walking Disability, you will qualify automatically. You can also qualify if you do not have a Notice of Walking Disability, but your Reasons for Decision letter includes injuries that entitle you.

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**SECTION 3 Continued**

Are you applying on the grounds of having a Blue Badge (Disabled Person's Parking Permit) issued by Leicestershire County Council? **No**  **Yes**

For other people who have a SEVERE WALKING DISABILITY or who are WITHOUT THE USE OF BOTH ARMS, or are WITHOUT SPEECH, you must get the box below completed by a health professional. For example, this could be your Community/Practice Nurse, Occupational Therapist, Hospital Consultant or General Practitioner. A General Practitioner may make a charge for signing the form, which you will have to pay.

**To be filled in by a health professional** (if you are applying under section (d), this must be a General Practitioner or Hospital Consultant, or a Psychiatrist or Community Psychiatric Nurse).

I certify that .....

(a) has a severe walking disability which will last at least 12 months and means he/she cannot walk or is virtually unable to walk, due to .....

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Signed ..... Date .....

(b) would be likely to be refused a driving licence on medical grounds, due to .....

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Signed ..... Date .....

(c) is without the use of both arms, due to .....

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Signed ..... Date .....

(d) is without speech (i.e. unable to communicate in any language) due to .....

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Signed ..... Date .....

Name of person completing the form (BLOCK CAPITALS): .....

Occupation ..... Tel. Number.....

Name and Address of Practice or Establishment .....


**SECTION 4**

**I declare that:**

- a) I am eligible by disability, I am resident in Leicestershire.
- b) All information given is correct to the best of my knowledge.
- c) If my circumstances change so as to make me not eligible for the scheme, I will return my concession.

Signature ..... Date .....

**PLEASE ALLOW 20 WORKING DAYS FOR ISSUE**

 The data collected is in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Data will only be used for the purpose outlined in this leaflet. Please note that the key data may be provided to bodies responsible for auditing and administering public funds for the purpose of preventing and detecting fraud.

**You must complete section 4 before sending your application to the address below:**

**Disabled Persons' Travel Scheme, County Hall, Glenfield, Leicester, LE3 8ST**