



Frequently Asked Questions

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Controlled Parking Zones

What is a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ)?

A Controlled Parking Zone is an area where all of the kerbside space is managed by way of yellow lines and/or parking places.

What are the benefits of CPZ?

Parking controls manage who can park and, depending on the type of user, how long they can park for. Long stay parking by non-residents is discouraged, leaving more space for residents and their visitors. Maximum lengths of stay create a turnover of parking that benefits businesses, improving accessibility for customers

Can people visit?

CPZ's support visitors by creating additional opportunities to park. The Council operates a Visitor Permit scheme that operates at a rate that is cheaper than pay-and-display. Residents are entitled to an annual allocation of permits for their visitors. Visitors

What about deliveries?

Anyone delivering to you can use yellow lines to undertake that delivery, up to a maximum of 30 minutes and provided that there's evidence that a delivery is being undertaken. Goods vehicles can also use permit and shared use bays under the same conditions.

I'm getting work done on my property - how do my tradesmen park?

You can use Visitor Permits, ask them to pay-and-display or suggest to them that they use our Trades Permit. All tradesmen can obtain a permit direct from the Council to help them undertake work in our CPZs.

I have a blue badge. How does CPZ affect me?

Blue badge holders who live in a CPZ and own a vehicle are entitled to a free permit. They are also entitled additional visitor permits at a reduced rate. Blue badge holders can also park without limit of time and without payment in pay-and-display bays and shared-use bays. The allowances to park on certain yellow lines will still apply.



[I run a business. How will CPZ help me?](#)

For customers, CPZ manages the available space, creating a turnover of space that creates opportunities to park. CPZ will also create opportunities that support loading and unloading. The Council also operates a number of different permits designed to assist businesses.

[What types of parking will there be?](#)

Typically, parking places will consist of three main types:

Permit holder, where residents and other permit holders can park without further charge;

Shared-Use, which can be used by permit holders without charge or by pay-and-display customers

Pay-and-display, which require payment to park for a defined period.

There will be other parking places, such as those for Blue Badge Holders, City Car Club and Electric Vehicle Charging.

[How much will my permit cost?](#)

Permit prices are based on the engine size or emissions of your vehicle. Full details can be found on the Council's website. See below for a link.

[How much money does the Council make from permits?](#)

The permits bought by residents contribute approximately 50% of the cost that the Council incurs from operating CPZ in Edinburgh. The remaining costs are met from pay-and-display.