

## SENIOR INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

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### Disabled Person Parking Permits

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A parking privilege may be granted by the Department of Licensing when an applicant meets the criteria listed below. The license plates, placards and identification card are issued as an identifier to law enforcement, parking enforcement, private business, or anyone who needs to know that a person has the right to park a vehicle in a disabled person parking area.

#### Eligibility:

People qualify for disabled parking placard if at least one of the following apply:

- Cannot walk 200 feet without stopping to rest.
- Have limited walking ability because of arthritic, neurological or orthopedic condition.
- Have such severe disability that they cannot walk without help from another person or the use of a brace, cane, prosthetic device, wheel chair, or similar device.
- Use portable oxygen.
- Are severely restricted by lung disease.
- Have cardiac disease resulting in:
  - ⇒ marked limitation of physical activity. (They are comfortable at rest, but less than ordinary physical activity causes fatigue, palpitation, shortness of breath or transient, spasmodic chest pain associated with coronary heart disease) **or**
  - ⇒ an inability to carry on any physical activity without discomfort; symptoms and discomfort may be present at rest and increase with physical activity.
- Are legally blind with limited mobility.
- Have acute sensitivity to automobile emissions that limits or impacts or impairs their ability to walk and is comparable in severity to the above conditions.

#### Physician Required:

**Permit applications must be completed by a licensed physician, PA or ARNP.**

Permanent privileges\* are renewed every five years without physician re-certification.

Temporary privileges are good for six months and require a new application and physician's certificate.

#### Where To Obtain Application:

Applications are available from all of the Vehicle Licensing offices in Whatcom County. For a complete listing, see the back of this handout or you can go on-line to [www.wa.gov/dol](http://www.wa.gov/dol).

Return completed application for a placard or plate. Placards can be obtained free of charge. There is a fee for license plates.

\*If you have a permanent disability, you will be sent an ID card from the Washington State Department of Licensing Services Office in Olympia.

Mail to: Individuals with Disabilities, Dept of Licensing,  
PO Box 9043, Olympia WA 98507-9043

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## Whatcom County Vehicle Licensing Offices

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Whatcom County Auditor Auto Licensing County Courthouse #103 311 Grand Ave Bellingham WA. 98225-4038 360-676-6740	Mon-Fri	8:30- 4:30
Driver Licensing Service Office 4180 Cordata Parkway – Suite A Bellingham WA. 98226 360-676-2097	Tue,Wed,Fri Thurs Saturday	8:30- 5:00 9:30- 5:00 8:30- 2:30
Bellingham Auto Licensing Fred Meyer Shopping Ctr 804 Lakeway Dr Bellingham WA. 98229 360-733-0148	Mon-Fri Saturday	9:00- 6:00 10:00- 3:00
Northwest Licensing 2502 Cedarwood Ave Bellingham WA. 98225 360-756-9821	Mon-Fri Saturday	9:00- 5:30 9:00- 4:00
Sunset Cost Cutter Licensing Subagency 1275 E Sunset Drive Bellingham WA. 98226-3506 360-676-9883	Mon-Fri Saturday	10:00- 6:00 10:00- 5:00
Blaine Cost Cutter Licensing 1733 “H” Street #100 Blaine WA. 98230-5107 360-332-7089	Mon-Fri Saturday	10:00- 6:00 10:00- 5:00
Valley Drug Licensing 208 E Main Street Everson WA. 98247 360-966-3481	Mon-Fri Saturday (Sat closed)	9:00- 6:00 9:00- 5:00 1:00- 2:00
Ferndale Cost Cutter Foods Licensing 1750 La Bounty Drive Ferndale WA. 98248 360-380-6887	Mon-Fri Saturday	10:00- 6:00 10:00- 5:00
Lynden Fair Market Licensing Subagency 8130 Guide Meridian Lynden WA. 98264-9421 360-354-8080	Mon-Sat	10:00- 6:00