# Parking signs

A reminder of the most commonly used parking signs and markings are shown below to help you

### No waiting at any time

Sians are no longer required along double yellow lines and will be gradually removed



No loading at any time



No loading at times shown on the sign





### No waiting during times shown on the sign

Where there are single or double yellow lines you may stop while passengers get into or out of the vehicle and may load or unload goods as long as you are not causing an obstruction

### Loadina bay

Vehicles must not park if they are not loading or unloadina







#### **Limited waiting**



# **Bus stop clearway**

No stopping during the times shown on the sign

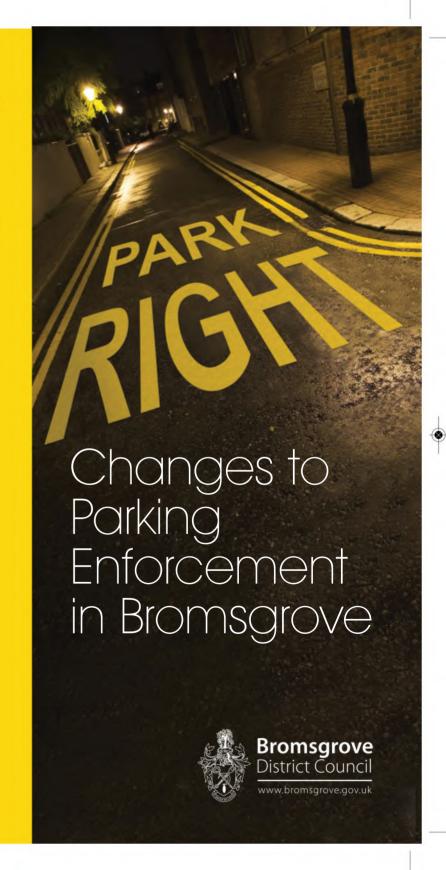


# To find out more

Contact the Parking Services Unit on 01386 565009. email BDCparking@bromsgrove.gov.uk or visit www.bromsgrove.gov.uk



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Bromsgrove District Council will take over on-street Parking Enforcement within the District from West Mercia Police on 30 May 2013.

There will be no changes to parking restrictions as a result of this.

Why?



to reduce the amount of illegal, dangerous and inconsiderate parking



to encourage sensible and safe parking



to cut congestion



to improve road safety.

# What happened?

Civil Enforcement Officers employed by the Council take over duties from the Traffic Warden and Police service. They patrol all areas of the District where parking restrictions exist and are covered by a Traffic Regulation Order. These include double and single yellow lines, loading and unloading areas, disabled bays, limited waiting areas and taxi ranks.

Parking restrictions have not changed. Existing lines and signs were refurbished to ensure that they are as clear as possible.

How do I know if I've parked correctly?

If you are in any doubt where, or for how long you can park, check the markings on the road or any nearby signs.

What happens if I park where I shouldn't?

You will receive a Penalty Charge Notice. These replace the current Fixed Penalty Notices issued by the Police and Traffic Wardens.

What if I am a Blue Badge holder?

Bromsgrove District Council offer a parking concession to disabled badge holders in the Pay on Foot and Pay and Display car parks. An additional one hours parking will be given free of charge after the expiry of the paid parking in all the Pay and Display car parks. Badge holders parked in the Pay on Foot car parks will also receive an hours free parking, for this they will need to apply for a smart card. Details are available from the Customer Service Centre, School Drive Bromsgrove.

# How much are Penalty Charge Notices?

A Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) will be either £50 or £70 depending on how serious the contravention is considered to be. The charge is reduced by 50 per cent (to £25 or £35) if it is paid within 14 days. If a PCN remains unpaid it will increase by 50 per cent (to £75 or £105) on the issue of a Charge Certificate. PCN levels are set nationally.

What is considered to be a more serious contravention?

Generally any contravention of a yellow line or parking in a bay without displaying an appropriate permit (eg disabled bays) is considered a more serious contravention. Contraventions in permitted parking bays (e.g. overstaying the time allowed in a parking bay) would be considered a lesser contravention. These are also set nationally.

What can I do if I think I shouldn't have been given a Penalty Charge Notice?

Follow the appeal guidance which is on the Penalty Charge Notices. Our Parking Services Unit will investigate your case using clear guidelines and write back to you with their decision. If you are still not happy you need to follow the advice given to appeal formally. If your formal appeal is rejected you may then appeal to the Traffic Penalty Tribunal. The Tribunal is an independent body and any decision made is final.

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