

SECTION 5 (Cont.)

If you have a valid BLUE BADGE (a disabled person's parking permit), we will check social services records of your disability - you need not have the following box completed by a health professional. Please write the serial number on your current parking permit here: _____

If you are applying because you receive the HIGHER RATE MOBILITY COMPONENT OF DISABILITY LIVING ALLOWANCE, or WAR PENSIONERS' MOBILITY SUPPLEMENT, you should send proof of your award showing your name and stating you have been awarded the allowance for at least 12 months.

For people who have a SEVERE WALKING DISABILITY, who are WITHOUT THE USE OF BOTH ARMS, or who are WITHOUT SPEECH, you must get the box 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.

For people who are MEDICALLY UNFIT TO HOLD A DRIVING LICENCE: Your Doctor (e.g. General Practitioner or Hospital Consultant) must complete the box below.

To be filled in by a health professional (If you are applying under section (d), this must be your Doctor, e.g. General Practitioner or Hospital Consultant).

I certify that _____

(a) has a severe walking disability, and is only able to walk less than 100 metres, due to _____

(b) is without the use of both arms, due to _____

(c) is without speech, due to _____

(d) would be likely to be refused a driving licence on medical grounds, due to _____

Signed _____ (Doctor) Date _____

Name of person completing form (BLOCK CAPITALS) _____

Occupation _____ Tel number _____

Name and Address of Practice or Establishment: _____


SECTION 6

I declare that:

- I am eligible by disability
- If I choose vouchers, I agree to forego my right to the statutory minimum free travel scheme provided by the Transport Act 2000 as amended
- If my circumstances change so as to make me no longer eligible for the scheme, I will return my concession.

Signed _____

Date _____

 The data collected is in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Data will only be used for the purpose outlined in this leaflet.

Post the completed form with photograph to:
Concessionary Travel (Customer Services), Charnwood Borough Council
Southfield Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 2TR

Charnwood Borough Council is keen to see all sections of the community take up the benefits they are entitled to. Your co-operation in filling out this section would therefore be appreciated.

Ethnic Origin

Please tick

I am Asian:

Of Indian origin

Of Pakistani origin

Of Bangladeshi origin

Of Chinese origin

Of other origin

I am Black:

Of Caribbean origin

Of African origin

Of other origin

I am White:

Of British origin

Of Irish origin

Of other origin

I belong to some other group(s)*

Please specify.....

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這資料具不同的格式，請致電 (01509) 634560 索取。

આ માહિતી જુદી જુદી પદ્ધતિઓમાં ઉપલબ્ધ છે. તે મેળવવા માટે કૃપા કરી આ નંબર પર ફોન કરો (01509) 634560.

यह जानकारी अलग-अलग प्रारूपों में मिल सकती है। इनको पाने के लिये कृपया यह नंबर डायल कीजिये (01509) 634560.

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Ticket to ride!



Application form for Travel Concessions for Older People and People with Disabilities

Department for
Transport


Charnwood
Leading in Leicestershire

Concessionary Travel Enquiries
Phone: 01509 634561
Minicom number: 01509 215996

CHARNWOOD BOROUGH COUNCIL
Leading in Leicestershire

Who is the scheme for?

People resident in Charnwood who are 60 and over and eligible disabled people of any age who qualify under any of the categories listed below;

- a) registered as blind or partially sighted
- b) registered as profoundly or severely deaf
- c) without speech (unable to communicate orally in any language)
- d) does not have arms or has long term loss of the use of both arms
- e) registered (or eligible to register) as someone with a learning disability, defined as a state of arrested or incomplete development of mind which includes significant impairment of intelligence or social functioning
- f) would, if they applied, be deemed medically unfit to hold a driving licence (other than on the grounds of persistent misuse of drugs or alcohol)
- g) has a disability, or has suffered an injury, which has substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to walk (usually demonstrated by being in receipt of the Higher Rate Mobility Component of Disability Living Allowance or the War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement for at least 12 months, or being the holder of a valid disabled persons parking permit/Blue Badge)

What benefits will I get?

Everyone who qualifies for a concession is entitled to a National Travel Card providing free off-peak travel (9.30am until 11pm Monday to Friday and all day at weekends and Bank Holidays) within England. In addition the travel card may also be used for half fare bus travel in the current Charnwood scheme area before 9.30am and then free until midnight.

If you qualify through disability you will be entitled to free travel within England at the times shown above and free at all times within the Charnwood scheme area.

Rail and community transport services are half fare at all times within the Charnwood scheme area for card holders aged 60 and over and free for disabled.

NB: In North West Leicestershire your National Travel Card cannot be used for half fare bus travel before 9.30am Monday to Friday.

What if I cannot use local bus services?

Travel Vouchers are available as an alternative to a National Travel Card for anyone qualifying for a concession by disability. They are also available if you are over 60 and live in a place that is not near a frequent bus service (defined as one that operates hourly or more frequently on Mondays to Saturdays) or if you live more than 800 metres from a bus stop on such a service.

If you choose vouchers you will be able to use them to pay full fare to travel on local bus and train services, in some local taxis, private hire cars and on community transport services. You will get a photo identity card (not a National Travel Card) which must be shown to prove your identity each time you travel using the vouchers. Each voucher is worth £1. Taxi operators are not required to give change if the value of vouchers presented is greater than the fare.

The value of vouchers you get for the concession year depends on the date you apply:
Until 31st August £33
1st September to 30th November £22
1st December to 31st January £11

Vouchers are not issued in February, March and April. You are entitled to only one issue of vouchers each concession year, which for vouchers runs from 1st May to 30th April.

Scheme Area in which the National Travel Card (and vouchers) can be used

National Travel Cards can be used anywhere in England however vouchers can only be used on local bus services in Charnwood, Leicester and Leicestershire. They can also be used if one end of your journey is in the above areas and the other end is no further than:

Derby, Nottingham, Newark, Grantham, Stamford, Peterborough, Corby, Kettering, Northampton, Rugby, Coventry, Nuneaton, Atherstone, Tamworth and Burton on Trent.

National Travel Card and vouchers can also be used on train journeys wholly within Charnwood and Leicestershire (including to and from Leicester) and between stations in this area and Derby, Nottingham, Grantham, Peterborough, Kettering and Nuneaton. Please note National Travel Cards may not be used with railcards.

How long are cards and vouchers valid for?

Cards will have an expiry date shown, we will contact you to renew the card as the date approaches. Travel Vouchers are issued annually and carry an expiry date.

How long will I have to wait for my concession?

At our busiest times, it can take up to 28 days to issue concessions. This is the maximum time you should have to wait; we will process your application more quickly if we can.

What if I lose my card, or it becomes badly worn or damaged?

Contact us for advice (see below for details).

What if I change my address?

You should inform us of your new address. If you move out of Charnwood you should inform us and return your National Travel Card or vouchers.

What do I need to send?

The completed form, either relating to an older person's or disabled person's application for the National Scheme or applying for vouchers.

A photograph of the size used in passports, which will appear on your National Travel Card.

Proof of entitlement, being proof of age (a photocopy of an official document showing your name and date of birth) for older people or completion of Section 5 for disabled people. Please do not send original documents.

Any questions or problems?

The scheme is administered by Charnwood Borough Council. Write to:
Concessionary Travel (Customer Services)
Charnwood Borough Council, Southfield Road
Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 2TR
Or Telephone: 01509 634561
Minicom number: 01509 215996
email: concessionary.travel@charnwood.gov.uk

SECTION 1

TITLE (Mr, Mrs, Miss, other) _____ SURNAME OR FAMILY NAME _____
FIRST NAMES _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____
ADDRESS _____
_____ POST CODE _____ TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

SECTION 2 Under which category are you applying for a concession?

Over 60 Blind/partially sighted Learning disability Severely/Profoundly Deaf Without speech
Medically unfit to hold a driving licence Severe walking disability Without the use of both arms

SECTION 3 Your choice of concession:

National Travel Card OR Vouchers
Please now complete Section 4 if you are applying as an older person or Section 5 if you are applying as a disable person.

SECTION 4 I declare that:

- (a) I am over 60 years of age,
 - (b) I am a resident of Charnwood at the above address.
 - (c) If I choose vouchers, I agree to forego my right to the statutory minimum free travel scheme provided by the Transport Act 2000 as amended and the Concessionary Bus Travel Act 2007.
 - (d) If my circumstances change so as to make me no longer eligible for the scheme, I will return my concession.
- Signature _____ Date _____

Post the completed form, photograph and proof of age to: Concessionary Travel (Customer Services), Charnwood Borough Council, Southfield Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 2TR

SECTION 5 if you are applying to join the scheme, this section is to provide evidence that you are eligible:

For BLIND or PARTIALLY SIGHTED people: Are you registered as with VISTA? No Yes

For DEAF people: Are you registered as PROFOUNDLY OR SEVERELY DEAF with the Centre for Deaf People, 135 Welford Road, Leicester? Yes No

Please ask your Social Worker to complete this box below:

I certify that _____ is a profoundly or severely deaf person.

Signed _____ *(Specialist Social Worker for Deaf People)*

Name _____ *(please print)* Date _____

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

NAME OF SCHOOL OR DAY CENTRE _____

