

EXTENDED PERMITS FOR RESIDENTS' PARKING OVERSTAY ENTITLEMENT

This Information sheet is intended to offer an explanation about how the resident parking scheme works and to ensure that you can take full advantage of what it offers.

It is important to remember that disc parking areas operate on a 24-hour basis and you must set your disc whenever you park in such areas. The time limits only apply where the period concerned ends between 8.00am and 6.00pm. For instance, if a car is parked in a normal 2-hour zone at 3.30pm, it must be moved by 5.30pm. However, if the car is parked at 6.30pm in the same area, because the 2-hour period ends at 8.30pm (i.e. after the time restrictions have ended) the car can remain in the zone until 8.00am the following morning.

For some time now, residents have had this period extended, by permit, until 9.30am the following morning.

The disc zone time limit in areas where the extended scheme has been introduced have been reduced to a maximum of 2 hours and can continue to be used by any motorist. However, if you hold the extended permit you can overstay the disc parking period for an additional 10 hours, after which your vehicle must be moved. However, if the additional 10-hour period ends between 6pm and 8am, then the vehicle can remain parked until 9.30am on the following morning. The permit also allows vehicles to be re-parked in the same area (or disc zone) within 30 minutes, which is normally not allowed.

For example, if you park at 9.00am the 2-hour period would end at 11.00am when the vehicle must be moved, however that period is then extended for 10 hours until 9.00pm. As the extended 10-hour period ends after 6.00pm, the vehicle can remain in the disc park until 9.30am the following morning. At this time, it must be moved, but can be re-parked within 30 minutes in the same area.

If you park at 5.30pm the 2-hour period would end at 7.30pm. This would then be extended for 10-hours until 5.30am, but again, your vehicle could remain in place until 9.30am.

If you park during the evening at, say, 10.00pm, the 2-hour period would end at midnight. This would be extended for 10-hours until 10.00am the following morning, at which time the car would need to be moved.

In broad terms, you will always need to move your vehicle at least once each day.

Should you have any further queries please feel free to contact Traffic & Highway Services on 243400, and we will be happy to provide a further explanation.