

Application for Elderly & Handicapped Vehicle Permit for Northampton's Transfer Stations

The purpose of this application is to allow non-resident caregivers access to the Locust Street Recycling Center and the Glendale Road Recycling Center so that they are fully enabled to provide recycling and waste management services for Northampton's elderly and handicapped residents. The Northampton Department of Public Works issues vehicle permits to caregivers on behalf of Northampton residents who meet one of the following criteria:

- 1) Anyone 62 years or over living in Northampton, Massachusetts, and who is dependent upon others for transportation.

NOTE: Persons that meet these criteria must be listed on the current census list for the City of Northampton or provide copies of acceptable identification documents as proof of age and residency.

- 2) Handicapped persons who meet the following functional disability criteria, and who are dependent upon others for transportation:
 - Anyone who uses a wheelchair or a walker;
 - Anyone who uses crutches or a long leg brace;
 - Anyone who cannot use stairs or escalators;
 - Anyone who cannot stand on a moving vehicle due to loss of balance or coordination;
 - Anyone who cannot read informational signs or steps;
 - Anyone who cannot hear announcements or communicate;
 - Anyone who needs supervision due to a developmental disability or a mental disorder;
 - Anyone who has significant difficulty, either physical, mental and/or psychological, in using mass transport vehicles.

NOTE: Handicapped persons who meet the functional disability criteria above must submit copies of one of the following as proof:

- Certification by the US Veterans Administration at 70%, or more, legally blind;
- Certification by the MA Commission for the Blind as being legally blind;
- Certification by the US Department of Health/Human Services as 80%, or more, disability level;
- Certification by the MA Department of Public Health Programs for kidney dialysis
- Certification by the MA Rehabilitation Commission as mentally deficient or mentally handicapped;
- Certification by the MA Department of Mental Health as being in Category 3 or 7
- A MassHealth I.D. Card that can be verified and classified as 01-SSI/Aged, 03-SSI/Disabled, 05-MA/Aged, or 07-MA/Disabled;
- Written certification by a licensed physician, psychiatrist, or psychologist that the applicant would have significant difficulty in using mass transportation vehicles.

NOTE: Eligibility cannot be based solely on pregnancy, obesity, drug, or alcohol impairment.

Application for Elderly and Disabled Vehicle Permits For Northampton's Residential Recycling Program

Applicant Information

Name:	
Street Address	
Daytime phone #	Date of Birth
Qualifying criteria (for example, senior citizen or disabled person without own transportation):	
Do you own or rent your dwelling	
How much trash do you generate each week? (example: 2 grocery bags)	
Do you expect to do any major house clean-outs this year?	
Do you need information about the proper disposal of special or medical waste?	
Signature (signed under the pains and penalties of perjury)	

Caregiver Information

Name:		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Daytime phone number:	Evening phone number:	
Vehicle Make, Model, Year:		
Vehicle License Plate Number:		
Signature: (signed under the pains and penalties of perjury)		

- _____ Completed application form
- _____ A \$25.00* check made out to the "City of Northampton" (cash is not accepted through the mail)
- _____ Proof of eligibility for disabled persons (see reverse for acceptable documentation)

These may be mailed or delivered directly to the DPW Office (125 Locust Street, Northampton, MA 01060) Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) Upon receipt of all necessary materials, the DPW will process the application and mail the vehicle permit to the applicant within two weeks. If the application is not approved, the DPW will mail a letter to the applicant explaining the reason(s) for denial and process for appeals. Please direct any questions concerning this application to 413-587-1570 ext. 4306.

*Please note: A means-based discount for vehicle permits and disposal services at Northampton's transfer stations is available for income-eligible residents.

For Office Use Only:	Check#	Approved:	Mail date:	Permit #
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