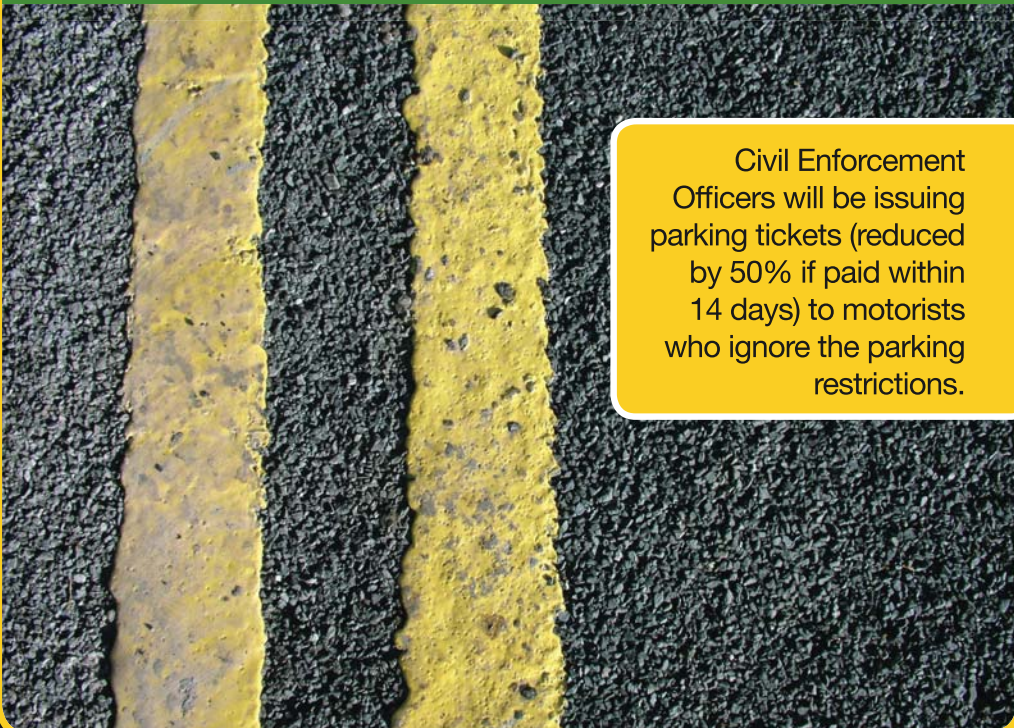


# Park legally!

in **Gloucestershire** parking is  
enforced by the district councils

**Avoid fines of up to £70**

Check the lines and signs to avoid a **ticket**.



Civil Enforcement  
Officers will be issuing  
parking tickets (reduced  
by 50% if paid within  
14 days) to motorists  
who ignore the parking  
restrictions.



**“If all motorists used proper car parks and parking bays, Gloucestershire’s streets would be less congested and a lot safer.”**

## Keeping Gloucestershire moving

Anyone who uses Gloucestershire’s roads knows of the problems caused by one irresponsible motorist parking in the wrong place. The majority of motorists park correctly. But a vehicle parked incorrectly can not only be dangerous but can cause delays, queuing and inconvenience for other road users. Parking needs to be managed to make sure Gloucestershire keeps on the move.

That is why since **November 2007** the district councils have enforced parking regulations on behalf of the County Council.

The aim of this leaflet is to explain how the new arrangements for parking enforcement work, how it benefits everyone and how you can find out more.

## What’s happening?

The Government has agreed to allow local councils to take over parking enforcement from the Police. This allows us to match enforcement to our wider transport strategy for Gloucestershire.

### This means:

- better traffic management
- improved compliance with parking restrictions
- less abuse of disabled parking bays
- less parking in resident parking bays by non-permit holders

### It helps us to:

- improve road safety
- encourage correct, sensible and safe parking
- reduce congestion
- enable buses to run more reliably
- improve access for emergency services
- manage parking near schools
- release police resources to tackle crime and disorder

## How will it work?

Our strategy is to keep Gloucestershire moving by targeting known problem areas and ensuring traffic flows during the peak periods. The district councils have teams of trained Civil Enforcement Officers and clear guidelines setting out what is and is not allowed.

**Civil Enforcement Officers have responsibility for issuing Penalty Charge Notices (parking tickets) to people who ignore parking restrictions and park illegally.**

**Q.** *Do civil enforcement officers receive bonuses for the number of tickets they issue?*

**A.** *No, they do not. Income from parking tickets finances the scheme with any surplus used for highways and transport services.*

## How are penalties dealt with?

**Penalty charges are £70 or £50 depending on the parking offence.** This is reduced by 50% if paid within 14 days. There is a range of easy ways to pay parking tickets. Unpaid parking tickets are a civil debt recoverable in the same ways as any other such debt. An appeals system is available to anyone who wants to challenge the ticket they have received. This includes a right of appeal to an independent adjudicator.

## Blue Badge Scheme

This provides parking concessions for people with severe mobility problems. Badges must be valid and clearly displayed in the windscreen. Parking is allowed for up to three hours on single and double yellow lines as long as the vehicle does not cause an obstruction. Parking is not allowed on yellow lines where there is a loading ban, in bus or cycle lanes, or in bays restricted to other users. For more information visit your library or [www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)

To apply for a Blue Badge call the County Council’s Adult Helpdesk on 01452 42686



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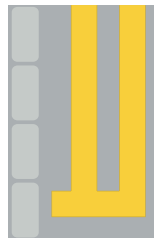
### Check the Lines and the Signs

#### Waiting restrictions

**Double Yellow Lines** along the edge of the road, mean no waiting at any time.

However, you may stop while passengers get into or out of the vehicle and to load and unload, **unless** there are also loading restrictions.

Highway Code



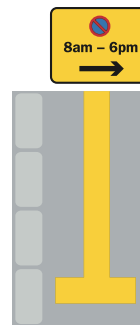
No waiting at any time

**Please note that yellow line parking restrictions apply to the whole of the highway on the side that they are marked, including any footway or verge. Therefore, parking on a footway or verge next to yellow lines can result in a parking ticket being issued.**

**Single Yellow Lines** along the edge of the road, mean you can't wait during the times shown on the sign.

However, you may stop while passengers get into or out of the vehicle and to load and unload, **unless** there are also loading restrictions.

Highway Code



No waiting during the times shown on the sign

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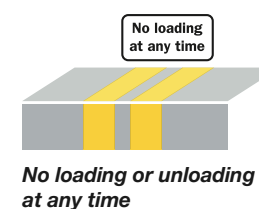
#### Loading restrictions

**Loading Restrictions**

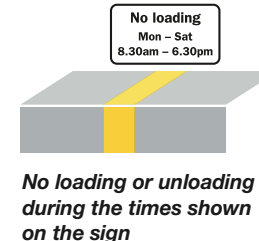
Are shown by yellow lines on the kerb, or at the edge of the carriageway. They indicate that loading or unloading is prohibited during the times shown on the signs.

Double yellow lines on the kerb mean no loading or unloading at any time. A single yellow line means no loading or unloading during the times shown.

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No loading or unloading at any time

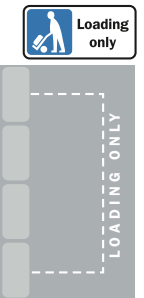


No loading or unloading during the times shown on the sign

**Loading Bays**

Are white bays marked with the words 'Loading only' and a sign with the white on blue trolley symbol. A sign will show the times when the bay can be used and whether loading and unloading is restricted to certain types of goods vehicles. Vehicles may not park here if they are not loading or unloading.

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Loading bay

Blue Badge parking only whilst loading/unloading 

Blue Badge parking is not allowed 



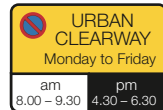
# Avoid a fine!

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#### Urban clearways

No stopping during the times shown, except for as long as necessary to set down or pick up passengers.



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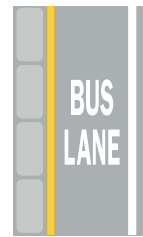
Note that urban clearways do not apply to laybys and designated parking bays.

Blue Badge parking is not allowed

### Check the Lines and the Signs

#### Bus and cycle lanes

You must not drive or stop in a bus lane during its period of operation. Taxis and cyclists are usually allowed to use bus lanes.  
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Bus lane

Blue Badge parking is not allowed

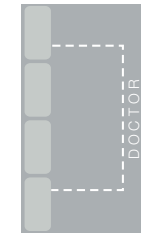
### Always display the correct ticket, voucher, permit or badge

#### Parking bays for specific users

You must not park in parking spaces reserved for specific users such as Blue Badge holders or residents, unless you are entitled to do so.  
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Parking restricted to permit holders



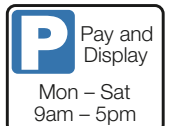
Parking space reserved for named vehicles

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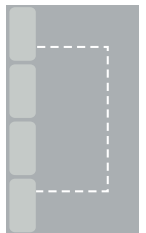
### Check the Lines and the Signs

#### Pay & display parking bays

You may park in a pay and display parking space up to the time purchased, indicated on the pay and display ticket. Ensure the pay and display ticket is clearly displayed.



At the end of the permitted parking period you must leave the parking space and cannot return within the time period shown on the ticket machine. This period is normally at least one hour.



Parking duration limited to maximum period shown on ticket machine

Blue Badge holders should check local restrictions

# More information

If you would like more information or if you have a specific enquiry please contact your local district council parking services on:

**Cheltenham  
Borough Council**

 01242 264114

 [parking@cheltenham.gov.uk](mailto:parking@cheltenham.gov.uk)

 [www.cheltenham.gov.uk](http://www.cheltenham.gov.uk)


**Cotswold District Council  
& Stroud District Council**

 01285 623000


 [parking@cotswold.gov.uk](mailto:parking@cotswold.gov.uk)

 [www.cotswold.gov.uk](http://www.cotswold.gov.uk)

**Gloucester City Council &  
Forest of Dean District Council**

 01452 396723

 [parkingadmin@gloucester.gov.uk](mailto:parkingadmin@gloucester.gov.uk)

 [www.gloucester.gov.uk/parking](http://www.gloucester.gov.uk/parking)

**Tewkesbury  
Borough Council**


 01684 295010


 [parkingservices@tewkesbury.gov.uk](mailto:parkingservices@tewkesbury.gov.uk)


 [www.tewkesbury.gov.uk](http://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk)

If you have identified a problem which you feel could benefit from changes to existing parking rules (e.g. new yellow lines or residents parking) please contact:

**Gloucestershire Highways**

 08000 514514

 [parking@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:parking@gloucestershire.gov.uk)

 [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/parking](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/parking)

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