

Accessible Parking Sign Standards

The City and County of Denver places accessible parking signs on the public Right of Way (ROW) in residential neighborhoods and business districts for people with mobility impairments meeting the adopted standards. The City strives to allow for maximum parking for all persons using the public ROW. Accessible parking spaces in the public ROW may be used by anyone having a valid disability placard or disability plate. Such parking spaces are not reserved for a specific individual, vehicle or residence.

Signs can only be placed by the Denver Department of Transportation and Infrastructure where approved. Parking restrictions are still in effect. Decisions made by the Program Administrator based on the Accessible Parking Sign Standards are final.

Residential Property: A resident may request signs in front of their primary residing property by completing the application and if they meet the following criteria.

If the individual with the mobility impairment:

- has a valid Colorado permanent disability placard or plate
- has a valid Colorado driver's license
- has a valid vehicle registration
- all documents have the listing address of where the sign is requested
- there is no garage, carport, or driveway extending from the front or side of the property leading to the street and alley access is not available or accessible.

If the person with the mobility impairment does not drive:

- the person with the mobility impairment has a valid placard and a valid Colorado Identification Card
- there is a caretaker living at the residence with a valid Colorado driver's license and a valid vehicle registration

Guidelines:

- The accessible parking space will be used as the primary parking space for the person qualifying for the sign.
- Further consideration will be taken if placement of signs cannot be fully in front of requestors property.
- There is a clear accessible path from the door directly to the street, or alley parking, the individual can maneuver.
- Only one (1) designated accessible parking space allowed per household.
- Sign requests are subject to renewal.
- Misuse of the space may result in the removal of the sign.
- Signs will not be installed for transportation services (i.e. Access-A-Ride, emergency vehicles).

Business and Multi-Family Properties: If asking for a public ROW accessible parking space for their patrons or residents, must submit a request on business letterhead with explanation of why off-street parking cannot be utilized to meet demand.

- On-street parking in Commercial or mixed-use areas, especially in the downtown area, is managed to support short-term parking needs and it not designed for long-term employee parking.
- All Commercial requests will be time/day specific and have a 4-hour time limit.
- The City will not revisit a request within the same year at the same location.

Please include:

- The address for the sign request
- Locations for the signs (include the number of signs requesting)
- Map/photograph detailing placement of requesting signs
- A brief explanation of the reason for the sign request
- If/how much off-street (parking lot/garage) is available for the business or multi-family properties and reason off-street parking is not adequate
 - Note: off-street parking lots must meet ADA accessible parking standards and ADA parking requirements cannot be met using the public ROW