



Medical Assessment form for Non-Automatic applicants (C2) and Companion Pass Entitlement (C3)

Information for Medical Professional

This form is for Medical Professionals to provide support for the applicant's application for the English National Concessionary Travel Scheme pass with Reading Borough Council. The applicant is applying for a Disabled Access Pass as a Non-automatic applicant (C2) and/or for an Access Pass with Companion entitlement (C3).

The English National Concessionary Travel Scheme provides free off-peak travel for eligible older and disabled people on local bus services anywhere in England.

Reading Borough Council issues Access passes to applicants who meet the disability eligibility criteria as set by the Department for Transport through the Transport Act 2000 and outlined below. Applicants who have a disability that has a substantial effect on their ability to carry out normal day to day activities and is permanent, or which may last for at least 12 months, may be entitled to an Access (Disabled Person's) pass.

To be eligible applicants must meet one of the seven criteria in the Transport Act 2000:

- 1) blind or partially sighted
- 2) profoundly or severely deaf
- 3) without speech
- 4) have a disability, or have suffered an injury, which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to walk
- 5) does not have arms or has a long-term loss of the use of both arms
- 6) have a learning disability, that is, a state of arrested or incomplete development of mind, which includes significant impairment of intelligence and social functioning
- 7) who, if they applied for the grant of a licence to drive a motor vehicle under Part III of the Road Traffic Act 1988, would have their applications refused pursuant to Section 92 of that Act (physical fitness) otherwise than on the ground of persistent misuse of drugs or alcohol.

Reading Borough Council will grant 'Automatic' eligibility where an applicant is in receipt of a number of allowances including Personal Independence Payment (PIP) and scores at least 8 points under the classifications of "Moving Around" or "Communicating Verbally", Higher Rate Mobility Component of the Disability Living Allowance or receipt of War Pensioners Mobility Supplement.

Where the applicant is **Non-Automatic (C2)** we will seek further confirmation of their eligibility from a Medical Professional known to them of this to confirm their eligibility.

Companion Pass Entitlement (C3)

Where an applicant is also stating they are unable to travel without the aid and assistance of a companion then we will also request confirmation of this from a Medical Professional.



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Applicant Details [To be completed by the applicant]:

Applicant Name:

Applicant Address:

Applicant D.O.B:

C2: Non-automatic Eligibility [To be completed by qualified medical professional]

Where the applicant does not meet the automatic criteria, eligibility may also be granted if the applicant meets one of the following criteria [please tick where appropriate]:

is without speech, in any language:

does not have arms or has long-term loss of the use of both arms:

has a learning disability, that is, a state of arrested or incomplete development of mind which includes significant impairment of intelligence and social functioning:

is unable to drive for medical reasons, but not on the grounds of persistent misuse of drugs or alcohol:

has a disability, or has suffered an injury, which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to walk. [Applicant cannot walk for distances up to 100 metres without stopping, suffering severe discomfort or without help from another person]:

C3: Companion Entitlement [To be completed by qualified medical professional]

Where the applicant meets either the automatic criteria or non-automatic criteria **AND** is unable to travel without the aid of a companion, Companion Entitlement may be granted. Please certify with a tick below if the applicant is unable to travel without aid and requires a companion:

Applicant Requires Companion Entitlement:

Please provide official stamp and signature below:

Official Stamp:	
Signature:
Date: