



# DISABLED PARKING PERMIT

SPACES RESERVED  
FOR **YOU**



Québec 

**Before applying for a disabled parking permit, remember that drivers are authorized under the Highway Safety Code to stop in a normally prohibited zone to allow a disabled person to get into or down from a vehicle.**

In Québec, a permit allows access to parking space reserved for disabled persons who have limited walking ability or cannot move about independently without risk to their health or safety.

The permit allows a disabled person, whether a vehicle driver or passenger, to use a handicapped parking space.

The permit and its certificate are issued by the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec (SAAQ).

## **WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR A PARKING PERMIT?**

- ▶ A disabled person
- ▶ A public institution
- ▶ A non-resident of Québec

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- **For a disabled person**

Meet these three conditions :

1. Have been living a handicapped situation that result in a loss of independence or compromised health and safety, with respect to covering distances without the use of a means of transportation;
2. Fill out the application form;
3. Submit an assessment, if required, showing a disability lasting for at least six months.

Information you provide when applying for a disabled parking permit can be used to assess fitness to drive.



- **For a public institution**

Meet these three conditions :

1. Be a "public institution" within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services, or within the meaning of the Act respecting health services and social services for Cree Native persons;
2. Be the owner of a vehicle that is equipped with a device to secure wheelchairs against movement;
3. Fill out the application form for public institutions. Phone the SAAQ to get the application form.

- **For a non-resident of Québec**

A disabled parking permit or sticker bearing the international wheelchair symbol, issued by a Canadian jurisdiction outside Québec by a US jurisdiction or by a member country or associate member country of the European Conference of Ministers of Transport (ECMT), may be used in Québec. Its holder need not apply to the SAAQ for another.

In other cases, meet these two conditions :

1. Be the holder of a disabled parking permit issued by an authority outside Québec;
2. Show proof that he or she holds the same privilege at home.



## **COST OF PERMIT AND CERTIFICATE**

The fee is \$15.

## **PERIOD OF PERMIT VALIDITY**

**For a disabled person or a public institution**

5 years.

**For a non-resident of Québec**

The length of stay in Québec.

## **TO GET A PERMIT**

Fill out the Disabled Parking Permit Application form and submit a professional assessment, if required. Where the applicant is a public institution, no such assessment is necessary.

The SAAQ may, at any time, demand that a permit holder have an assessment form filled out again to check that he/she still qualifies.

## WHO MAY FILL OUT AN ASSESSMENT FORM?

- a special education teacher
- an occupational therapist
- a nurse
- a physician
- an optometrist
- a physiotherapist
- a psychologist

Choose the professional who can best describe your disability as it relates to covering distances.

The fee charged to a disabled parking permit applicant by a professional for filling out the assessment is not reimbursed by the SAAQ.

The SAAQ may ask for other assessments, if necessary.

## WHO DECIDES ON THE ISSUE OF A PERMIT?

The SAAQ studies an application and makes a decision based on merit.



## TO GET A DISABLED PERMIT APPLICATION :

Over the counter at an outlet offering SAAQ services;

By writing to :

Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec  
Vignette de stationnement  
pour personnes handicapées  
C. P. 19300, succ. Terminus  
Québec QC G1K 8J3

By phone, toll free :

**in Québec (city and vicinity) : 418 643-7620**  
**in Montréal : 514 873-7620**  
**from elsewhere : 1 800 361-7620**  
**(Québec, Canada, USA)**



TDD/TTY :

**in Montréal : 514 954-7763**  
**from elsewhere in the province :**  
**1 800 565-7763**

Website : [www.saaq.gouv.qc.ca](http://www.saaq.gouv.qc.ca)

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