

Highland Council Permit Definitions

Residents & Residents Visitor Permit (RP & RVP)

A permit available to specific residents permitting parking on a specific street or streets in designated Permit Holder Only bays or in a designated Off-Street PERMIT Holders car park.

Business & Business Visitor Permits (BP & BVP)

A permit available to specific Businesses on a Permit Street permitting parking on a specific street or streets in designated Permit Holder Only bays or in a designated Off Street PERMIT Holders car park.

Season Ticket (LPST & HPST)

(HPST) Highland Parking Season Ticket – Valid for all designated long stay car parks

(LPST) Local Parking Season Ticket – Valid for specific local long stay car parks

A Permit allowing prepaid parking in designated Council Long Stay off Street Car Parks.

A Season Ticket does not guarantee a space in any specific car park.

Available via RingGo at <https://www.myringgo.co.uk/bookparking>

***Trades Permit (TP)**

A permit allowing a 'business' (defined as a trade involving workers who are engaged in activities such as, decorating, plumbing, kitchen and bathroom installations etc.), which require their attendance for lengthy periods at premises which are not their permanent place of employment, and for which their vehicle is an essential base for materials and equipment throughout the working day.

***Essential User Permit (EUP)**

The Permit grants the vehicle permission to park in any permit street or zone bays or pay & display bays for the purpose of domiciliary care delivery and for the duration of time as is reasonably required to deliver that care at the address being visited. Where maximum stay periods are displayed at the location the permit holder must abide by these.

***Residents Visitor Parking Vouchers (VPV)**

This is an alternative to an annual Residents Visitors Permit (RVP). A book of scratch cards allowing 3 hours visitor parking in a permit bay. Ten (10), three (3) hour sessions per book of vouchers.

Contract Parking (CP)

Use of a bay or bays located in an off street car park on a contract hire basis.

***Please note some of these are new services and will be rolled out time of publishing**

Parking Services FEES 2024/25

INVERNESS	Note	Frequency	2024/25
Resident's or visitor permits (RP, RVP)		annual	£63.00
Senior Citizens resident's permit		annual	£31.00
Lost or damaged permits		single fee	£31.00
Business and business visitor permits (BP, BVP)		annual	£203.00
Lost or damaged business parking permit		single fee	£99.00
Contract parking card - Rose St MSCP (CP)		monthly	£66.00
Contract Permit Bay - Rose St MSCP (CP)		monthly	£97.00
Business Contract Parking - other (CP)		monthly	£42.00
OTHER	Note	Frequency	2024/25
Resident's or visitor permits (RP, RVP)		annual	£44.00
Senior Citizens resident's permit		annual	£22.00
Lost or damaged permits		single fee	£22.00
Business and business visitor permits (BP, BVP)		annual	£109.00
Lost or damaged business parking permit		single fee	£52.00
RingGO Local Parking Season ticket (LPST)		monthly	£11.00
Business Contract Parking (CP)		annual	£184.00
COUNCIL WIDE	Note	Frequency	2024/25
*Residents Visitor Parking Vouchers	Book of 10 x 3hour periods	single	£21.00
Trades Permit (TP)	Trades Services Providers	annual	£218.00
Essential User Permit (EUP)	Medical , registered domiciliary care etc.	annual	£31.00
RingGO Highland Parking Season Ticket (HPST) Council Wide		monthly	£23.00
General – Service Cost Recovery	Note	Frequency	2024/25
Suspension of On Street P&D Parking Bay	£50 fixed administration charge applies	daily fee	£10.00
Suspension of other On Street bay	£50 fixed administration charge applies	daily fee	£5.00
Suspension of an Off Street Car Park Bay (Non P&D) - Minimum	£50 fixed administration charge applies	daily fee	£5.00
Suspension of an Off Street Car Park Bay (Pay & Display)	(Bay Rate X Charging day X Number of Bays X Occupancy) + Admin eg. 1 bay for 5 days = £1 x 10hours x 5 x 70% + £50 admin= £85	daily fee	calculated

*Please note some of these are new services and may not be available at time of publishing

Pay & Display Parking Tariffs

Council wide minimum fee of £2 for 1st period of parking.

The actual Tariff applied to each Car Park will be published at the location and separately on the Council Website.

Penalty Charge Notices from the 1st of April 2023

Stage	Number of Days Since Ticket Issued	Level of Penalty Charge	Standard Process
1	0-14	£50	50% Discount if paid within 14 days
2	14-28	£100	Full Price
3	>28	£100	Notice to Owner (28 days to pay)
4	>56	£150	Charge Certificate (Penalty Increases by 50%)
5	>70	£150 + Standard Sheriff Officer Charge	Debt Transferred to Sheriff Officer

Note:

- **Notice to Owner** is a statutory notice served by the council on the person appearing to be the owner of a vehicle issued with a penalty that remains unpaid after 28 days.
- Subsequent to **Notice to Owner** but PCN has not paid within the statutory time limits, a **Charge Certificate** increases the full penalty charge by 50% and requires payment within 14 days of service if registration of the debt is to be avoided.
- An **Appeal** against Council decisions on PCNs can be made to the [Parking & Bus Lane Tribunal Scotland](#), the independent adjudication service which has a judicial standing.

Vehicle Relocation Charges from the 1st of April 2023

Contravention Related Vehicle Removals and Relocation Charges		
Vehicle removal charge	£150	
Vehicle storage charge	£20	(per 24 hour period)
Wheel clamp release charge	£40	