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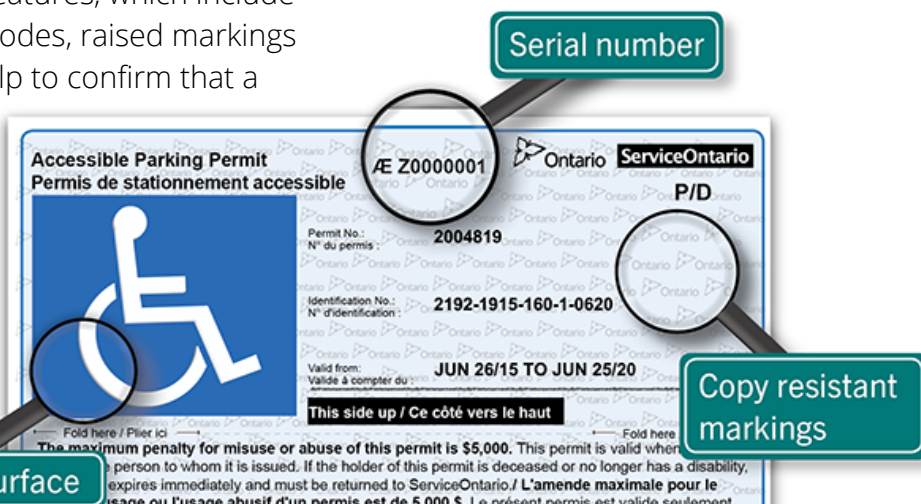
Do You Respect Accessible Parking Spaces?

It is important to leave accessible parking spaces open for those who are legally entitled to use them. Please respect the space.

What Are Accessible Parking Permits?

Permits are issued by Service Ontario to either a driver or a passenger with a disability or health condition. Some disabilities are obvious, for example people who use wheelchairs or other mobility devices. But some health conditions are invisible such as people with heart or lung conditions. Permits are issued to people, not vehicles, so that people living with a disability can use the permit in any vehicle they're travelling in. That person must be in the car for the permit to be valid.

The Province began issuing new accessible parking permits with enhanced security features in 2016. The features, which include machine readable barcodes, raised markings and serial numbers, help to confirm that a permit is authentic.



But I'll just be a minute...

There is no reason to park illegally in an accessible parking space.

Park In An Accessible Spot With No Permit? Fine.



If a person uses a permit not issued to them, it can result in a fine and the car may be towed and the permit may be seized.

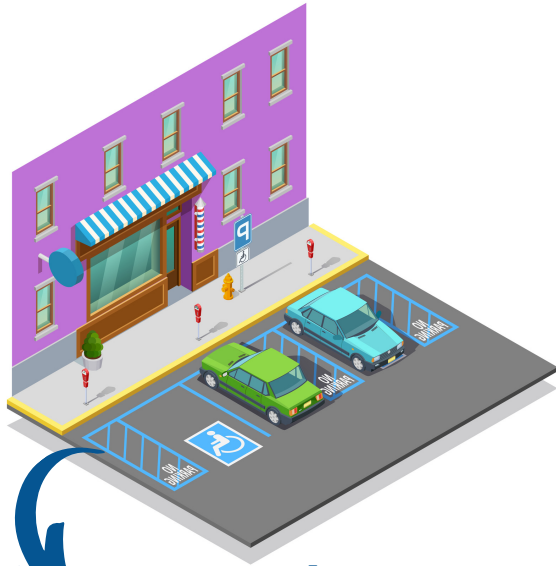


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Can I park in the striped space between the accessible parking space?

The short answer is **NO**

These lines aren't for parking.



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In addition to the accessible parking space, the striped access aisle next to the accessible parking space is needed by people using wheelchair lifts and/or assistive devices to get in and out of their vehicle. It's never okay to park in the access aisle, even if you have a permit.

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Please do the right thing. Accessible parking spaces help reduce barriers for people living with disabilities. You can help remove these barriers.

Respect the designated parking spaces and the people who need to use them.



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None of these excuses will get you out of the \$400 fines:

- X** I need to drop off a few heavy items
- X** I won't be a minute; I only needed to pop in to pick up something
- X** I have a disability, I just forgot my permit
- X** I don't have a permit but I find it very difficult to walk
- X** Why should you be privileged? You don't look disabled?
- X** I am a pensioner, so I am entitled to park near the shop
- X** I was going to miss my flight if I didn't park there
- X** I'm doing a few things for my dad and it's his permit

