

Dear Resident,

Our neighborhoods are our city's greatest asset. That is why we developed the Residential Permit Parking (RPP) to help protect them.

In the mid-1970's citizens were concerned about the increasing number of out-of-state cars parked on residential streets. Residents could not park on their own block. Commuters were turning our neighborhoods into parking lots.

In response, the District initiated the RPP program to limit on-street parking to participating residents living on blocks in the program. Parking is limited to two hours during the hours of operation for those vehicles without the appropriate zone RPP sticker.

During subsequent years the City Council extended the evening hours of RPP restrictions from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. More recently, restrictions have been extended to 9 PM in some areas.

A jointly administered program including the Department of Transportation, Department of Public Works and the Department of Motor Vehicles, the RPP program is one of the District's most popular programs. Citizens have successfully petitioned to have 4,100 plus blocks included in the program.

Thank you for your continued support for our RPP personnel and program.

**Q:** How did my block become part of the Residential Permit Parking Program?

**A:** A petition was signed by adults representing a majority (51% or more) of the households on the block requesting the RPP program.



**Q:** If my block is an RPP block, how do I get an RPP permit?

**A:** Permits may be obtained in person at:

**DMV Service Center**  
**Mayor's Call Center: 311**

The fee is \$35 per RPP permit valid for one year. Your vehicle must be registered in the District of Columbia (or you must have a Reciprocity Sticker) and your address must be in an RPP block.

More information regarding this process is available on the web at: <http://dmv.dc.gov/service/parking-permits-reciprocity-stickers>



**Q:** If my block is not in the RPP program, what should I do?

**A:** Petition forms are available from the **Department of Transportation, Traffic Services Administration**  
**55 M Street, SE, Suite 400**  
**Washington, DC 20003**  
**202-671-2020**



**Q:** How does the RPP program work?

**A:** There is a two-hour time limit on parking in locations with RPP

signs. Residents of blocks that are in the RPP program can purchase permits for their registered vehicles that exempt them from the two hour restriction. The permit allows parking on any block in the same zone of the RPP program.



**Q:** What are the hours of restriction and enforcement for the RPP program?

**A:** Standard hours for RPP restrictions are from 7:00 AM to 8:30 PM, Monday through Friday, except holidays. Residents may petition for extended hours.



**Q:** How are the RPP zones established?

**A:** The boundaries of the eight zones coincide with existing ward boundaries.



**Q:** May a District resident of one zone park for more than two hours in another zone?

**A:** No. A permit is only valid in the zone for which it has been issued.



**Q:** If residents have more than one vehicle, will they be able to obtain a permit for each vehicle?

**A:** Yes, as long as each vehicle is registered to the same address.



**Q:** Will the permit be transferable?

**A:** No. Each permit is coded to the vehicle's license number. If the numbers do not correspond, the vehicle will be ticketed.



**Q:** Are students and other temporary residents eligible for permits?

**A:** Yes, but only if they have met the District's requirements for Reciprocity vehicle registration.



**Q:** How often are RPP permits renewed?

**A:** You may purchase them for either one or two years.



**Q:** May visitors park in RPP zones?

**A:** Yes, if they have a visitor's permit. Residents may obtain these permits for their guests from their police district headquarters. Visitor permits are free.



**Q:** If I park in an RPP zone without a permit and I move my car to another space after the two hour limit, will I still get a ticket?

**A:** Yes. The two-hour restriction pertains to the entire zone, not just the particular space.



**Q:** May repair people and contractors park in RPP zones?

**A:** Trucks which 1) have commercial license tags 2) are clearly marked as belonging to repair services or

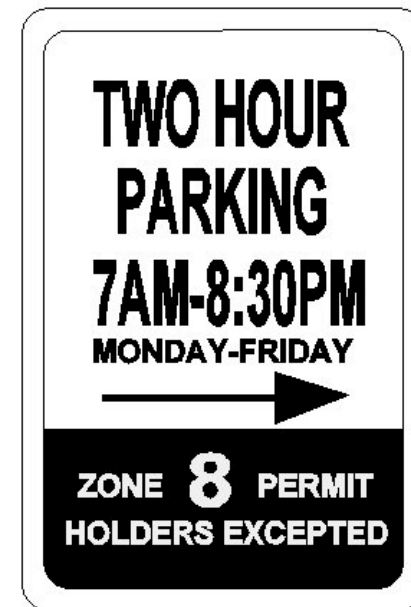
contractors, and 3) are necessary for construction, maintenance or repair work, can obtain temporary contractor's permits from DMV for reasonable periods in RPP zones.



**Q:** May nurses, babysitters or household help park in RPP areas?

**A:** Residents who submit a written certificate from a doctor stating they require full time nursing care during the day are eligible for a temporary RPP permit for their nurse. These permits are valid up to 90 days. A new certificate may be required for renewal.

Under the law, babysitters and other household help are considered commuters and should make other parking arrangements or take public transportation.



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