



I am without arms OR have the long term loss of the use of both arms	Physiotherapist OR occupational therapist report OR other medical evidence	
I have a learning disability (note 6)	Children: Your Education, Health and Care (EHC) Statement OR supporting letter from your special school OR school with enhanced resources to cater for children with autism OR a letter from a medical professional Adult: Stamp and signature OR supporting letter from adult social care services OR a medical professional	
I have been refused OR had my driving licence revoked on medical grounds OR I have a disability which means I would automatically be refused a driving licence if I applied (note 7)	DVLA letter OR consultant report	

Notes:

- 1 Check the table included on page 7 of this leaflet to see when you are eligible. If you are not sure contact 01629 533190.
- 2 Registration is voluntary. For advice on how to register as blind or partially sighted, please contact Derbyshire Association for the Blind's Sightline helpline on 01332 292262. If you are not registered, a Certificate of Vision Impairment signed by an eye specialist such as a consultant ophthalmologist, can be used as proof.
- 3 Having an overall average hearing loss that is between 70-95 dBHL (severely deaf) or 95+ dBHL (profoundly deaf).
- 4 People who are unable to make clear basic oral requests such as asking for a particular destination or fare or who are unable to ask specific questions to clarify instructions. People without speech who are also deaf need only supply one proof document.
- 5 The applicant is unable to walk for 100m without severe discomfort or help from another person or use of a mobility aid. The degree of disability should not fall far short of that required to qualify for the higher rate mobility component of Disability Living Allowance (DLA).
- 6 For the purposes of Gold Card learning disability means a state of arrested or incomplete development of mind and a significant impairment of intelligence and social functioning which may result in an inability to cope independently. These disabilities must have started before adulthood and have a lasting effect on development. Please note that conditions such as dyslexia, dyspraxia and ADHD are not covered by this definition.
- 7 People who would automatically be refused a driving licence if they applied (other than on the grounds of misuse of drugs or alcohol) qualify for Gold Card. This includes people with a severe mental disorder such as severe anxiety or depressive illnesses, acute psychotic disorders, hypomania/mania, chronic schizophrenia, other personality disorders or dementia. Also people with uncontrolled epilepsy or liability to fainting, or restricted visual fields of disabling hypoglycaemia. For current DVLA medical regulations visit www.dvla.gov.uk or call DVLA 0870 240 0009.

* If you are in receipt of a PIP letter showing 8 points or more for daily living component, communicating verbally, you may use it to prove you qualify for a Gold Card.

DATA PROTECTION AND YOUR SIGNATURE

If you have any queries about your data or would like to see a copy of the data held by your local authority in connection with Gold Card, please contact your local council.

I understand that my details will be treated in confidence and kept securely by the local authority in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. I understand that you may have to share some of my details with other councils and government agencies working on behalf of the councils and other organisations, if requested. This is for the purpose of administering the Gold Card scheme and to protect against fraud as part of the National Fraud Initiative scheme. I confirm that all the information I have given on this form is true and complete and the document I am supplying as proof of eligibility is valid. I understand that if any details are found to be false my Gold Card will be cancelled and I may have to pay any costs arising from the issue or use of the Gold Card. I undertake to return my Derbyshire Gold Card to my local district or borough council if my circumstances change; for example if I move address either to a different county or within Derbyshire, or I become ineligible because of a change in my disability.

I understand that if I lose my Derbyshire Gold Card there will be a £5 replacement fee.

Your signature Date

For office use only

Date Applicant number

Replacement £5 Expiry date of card for applicants whose disability is temporary

DERBYSHIRE GOLD APPLICATION FORM

Please contact your own district or borough council if you have any difficulties with this form.

You can also email goldcard@derbyshire.gov.uk

You must apply to the district or borough council area where you are a resident. This is the council you pay your Council Tax to. If you are unsure contact **Call Derbyshire 01629 533190**.

Please see pages 4 to 6 of this booklet for a list of places where you can apply in your area and details of free photography sessions.

Applying at a free photography session

Check if you need to make an appointment first. Details of offices where you can have your photograph taken free-of-charge are listed in this booklet. You will need to take with you this application form and proof documents. These should be originals not copies. See Part B for accepted proof documents.

Applying in person with a photograph

Visit your local council office with a completed application form, a recent colour standard passport-sized photograph with your name and address written on the back and your proof documents (originals not copies).

See below for accepted proof documents.

Applying by post

Send these documents to your local council at the addresses listed on pages 4 to 6:

- This application form completed
- A recent colour, standard passport-sized photograph with your name and address on the back
- A photocopy of your proof documents. Do not post original documents.

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SECTIONS

PART A YOUR DETAILS (Please use CAPITAL LETTERS)

Title Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other please state

First name Surname

House number or name

Street

Village

Town Postcode

Telephone* email* Date of birth

*We will only contact you by phone if we have a question about your application. We will not pass your number on to anyone.

PART B ELIGIBILITY

Proof of address (utility bill **OR** council tax bill **OR** bank statement) and one of the following proof documents (tick one box only):

I am eligible because of my age Passports **OR** birth certificate **OR** medical card **OR** driving licence

I am blind **OR** partially sighted Registration card **OR** eye specialist letter (note 2)

I am profoundly **OR** severely deaf (note 3) Registration card if you have one **OR** Audiology Clinic report **OR** letter

I am without speech (note 4) Report from speech and language therapy service

I have a disability **OR** have suffered an injury which has a substantial and long term effect on my ability to walk (note 5) Higher rate mobility component of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) notification letter **OR** PIP letter showing 8 points or more* for mobility component, moving around **OR** War Pensions mobility supplement notification letter **OR** Blue Badge, physiotherapist **OR** occupational therapist report