



## Can I park in the striped space next to the accessible parking space?

The short answer is **NO**.

These lines are **NOT** for parking.

In addition to the accessible parking space, the striped access aisle next to the accessible parking spaces is needed by people using lifts 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.

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

Respect the designated parking spaces and the people with permits who need to use them!



For more information, or to request an alternate format of this brochure, please visit [ajax.ca/accessibility](http://ajax.ca/accessibility) or contact:

### Accessible Ajax

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✉ [accessibility@ajax.ca](mailto:accessibility@ajax.ca)

☎ 905-683-4550

To report misuse of an accessible parking space, please call 905-619-2529 ext. 3370, or email [bylawservices@ajax.ca](mailto:bylawservices@ajax.ca)

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# #Respect TheSpace



Park in an accessible spot with no permit?  
**\$Fine\$.**

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## Do you respect accessible parking spaces?

It's 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 visible, people who use mobility devices, for example.

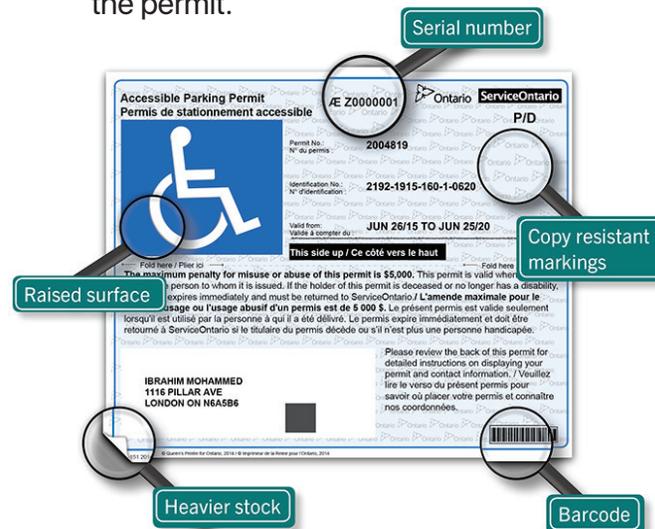
**Don't make assumptions.** Some health conditions are invisible, such as people with heart or lung conditions. Permits are issued to people, not vehicles, so that people with a disability can use the permit in any vehicle that they travel in. The person registered on the permit must be in the car for the permit to be used.

The features of accessible parking permits include machine-readable barcodes, raised markings and serial numbers and help to confirm a permit is authentic. An Identification Number contains key information that describes the permit holder, including first and last initials, gender and decade of birth, making it easy for permits to be traced to the registered permit holder.



In the Town of Ajax, if a person uses a permit not issued to them, or parks in an accessible parking space without a permit, it can result in a fine of \$350, up to a maximum of \$5,000.

When a ticket is issued, the car may be towed and the permit may be seized. When permits are seized, Ajax By-law Services reports the permit to Service Ontario, who may choose to revoke the permit.



Details of an Accessible Parking Permit

## But I'll just be a minute...

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

**None of these excuses will get you out of the \$350 fine:**

- I need to drop off a few heavy things
- I'll only be a minute; I just need to pop in to pick up something
- I have an accessible permit, I just forgot it
- I don't have a permit but I find it very difficult to walk
- I'm running a few errands for my dad and it's his permit
- Who am I hurting? There are still 2 other spaces available
- I'm just picking someone up



## QUICK FACTS:

- An average of 35 expired or fraudulent accessible parking permits are seized annually in Ajax
- An annual average of 330 accessible parking tickets are issued by Ajax By-law Services