

R U L E S

on parking permits for residents of the city of Reykjavík.

1. Art.

Resident permit.

The City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, issues parking permits, hereinafter referred to as resident permit 1 and resident permit 2 (together referred to as resident permits), to residents living in resident permit areas within Reykjavík in accordance with the detailed conditions set out herein.

A resident permit grants permission to park a vehicle free of charge in paid parking spaces within the area of validity of the resident permit, with the restrictions set out in Article 5. Resident permits are charged according to the current tariff.

2. Art.

Residence.

A resident permit may only be issued to residents of residential premises, hereinafter referred to as a residence, that meets all of the following conditions:

- a. Residential premises must be registered as such in the property register of the Housing and Construction Authority and located within the area of validity of the resident permit according to Article 5.
- b. A residence may not be a defined long-term care facility, safety apartment, nursing home, home for the elderly, or similar.
- c. A residence may not be housing specifically intended for students, such as an apartment rented from the Icelandic Student Services or Byggingafélag námsmanna.
- d. The residence may not include the right to use a parking space within the plot, whether for private use or in common ownership, according to the regional plan, plot lease agreement, site plan, plot plan, confirmed declaration of transfer of ownership or registration in the Property Register.

Where there is no declaration of change of ownership or the declaration of change of ownership stipulates that parking spaces are in common ownership and there are more apartments than parking spaces within the plot, a declaration of transfer of use listing the apartments that have the right to use parking spaces in common ownership within the plot is sufficient to create a potential right to a resident permit that is equal to the difference between the number of parking spaces and apartments. The same applies in the case of mixed-use housing, such as commercial and residential housing.

Only one resident permit may be issued for each residence that meets the above conditions, resident permit 1.

If a resident permit 1 has been issued for a residence or if the right to use a maximum of one parking space within the plot is included according to Paragraph 2(d), it is permitted to issue one resident permit 2 for each residence, provided that the other conditions of these rules are met.

3. Art.

Applicant.

A residence permit may only be issued to an applicant who meets all of the following conditions:

- a. The applicant must be an individual with a registered legal domicile in a residence that meets the requirements of Article 2.

- b. The applicant must be the owner of the residence or have written authorization from its owner to apply for a resident permit.
- c. The applicant must be the registered owner or custodian of a vehicle pursuant to Article 4, cf. Clause 37, Paragraph 1, Art. 3
of the Traffic Act no. 77/2019.

- d. The applicant must not be in debt to the Reykjavík Parking Service that is subject to interim or statutory collection and must have fully paid resident permit fees from previous periods.

Only one resident permit 1 and one resident permit 2 may be issued to each applicant, and this is valid regardless of the number of residences owned by the same applicant.

The City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, is authorized to grant temporary exemptions from the requirement to register legal domicile to applicants who are staying in shelters and cannot, due to special, temporary circumstances, move their legal domicile to a place of residence.

Employees of embassies in Iceland who are foreign citizens and others who do not have legal domicile in Iceland according to the provisions of the 5th paragraph of Article 14 of Act No. 80/2018 on Legal Domicile and Residence, are exempt from the requirement to register legal domicile if they truly have a permanent residence in a resident permit area.

4. Art.

Vehicles.

A residence permit may only be issued to a vehicle that meets all of the following conditions:

- a. The vehicle must bear valid Icelandic registration plates.
- b. The vehicle must be permitted to park on streets and public parking lots in accordance with the provisions of the Traffic Act and police regulations.

More than one resident permit may be issued for the same vehicle, provided that other conditions of these rules are met.

5. Art.

Area of validity.

Each resident permit is valid within a defined resident permit area. The areas shall be determined by the Environment and Planning Council and advertised in Section B of the Government Gazette.

However, a resident permit does not authorize free parking in areas with a P4 fee. The permits also do not allow free parking on the following streets and areas:

- a. Laugavegur west of Snorrabraut.
- b. Skólavörðustígur between Laugavegur and Bergstaðastræti.
- c. Bergstaðastræti between Laugavegur and Skólavörðustígur.
- d. Bergstaðir, car park, parking lot at Bergstaðastræti 6.
- e. Kvosin, i.e. Lækjargata, Kirkjutorg, Pósthússtræti, Austurstræti, Hafnarstræti, Veltusund.
- f. Kirkjustræti, Aðalstræti, Tryggvagata and Naustin.

The City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, shall publish on its website an overview of the area of validity of resident permits.

6. Art.

Application for a residence permit.

You must apply for a resident permit electronically on the City of Reykjavík's website.

If the applicant is not the owner of the residence according to Article 2, the signed consent of the owner must be included with the application. The City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, shall make available a form for the residence owner's consent to the use of the resident permit right.

The City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, obtains other necessary information from the applicant and from public registers, such as Registers Iceland, the Property Register and Vehicle Register, as applicable and in accordance with applicable law.

The applicant shall be issued a permit for the area of validity in which their legal domicile is located. If the applicant's legal domicile is on the border of two areas of validity, they are allowed to choose in which of the areas the resident permit is valid.

7. Art.

Validity and use.

Resident permits shall be issued electronically for one year at a time, but never for a longer period than the authorization from the owner of the residence or registration of vehicle ownership.

A resident permit becomes invalid when the conditions for its issuance are no longer met. The holder of a resident permit must notify the City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, if the conditions for issuing the permit are no longer met due to changed circumstances of the permit holder, such as a transfer of operations, sale of a vehicle or other comparable events.

8. Art.

Fee collection.

A fee must be paid for the issuance, modification and renewal of a resident permit according to the published tariff. The fee must be paid once the application has been approved. The resident permit is not activated until the City of Reykjavík has received the payment.

While the application for a resident permit has not been processed and the resident permit has not been activated, the applicant must pay for paid parking when parking in the relevant resident permit area. The same applies when a resident permit has expired and a new application has not been processed and/or a new permit has not been activated.

9. Art.

Invalidation.

The City of Reykjavík, Parking Fund, is authorized to invalidate a resident permit if the holder is found to be misusing the card. The City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, may also invalidate a resident permit if the Parking Service becomes aware that the conditions for granting a resident permit are no longer met, without the permit holder having notified the Parking Service in accordance with Article 7. The holder of a resident permit that has been invalidated in accordance with this provision may not be issued a new permit for two years from the invalidation of the issued permit.

If monthly payments are not made, the City of Reykjavík, Reykjavík Parking Service, is authorized to invalidate the resident permit.

The City of Reykjavík, Parking Fund, shall notify the holder of a resident permit of the invalidation of the permit.

10. Art.

Entry into force and legal basis.

These rules, which are issued with the authority of Paragraph 2 of Article 86 of the Traffic Act, No. 77/2019, have been approved by the Chief of Police in the Capital Area and were approved at a meeting of the Environment and Planning Council on 19 November, 2025 and at a meeting of the City Council on 27 November, 2025, and will enter into force after publication in Division B of the Government Gazette. At the same time, the rules on parking permits for residents of Reykjavík, no. 370/2021 will expire. These rules are temporary and valid until 31 December, 2027.

The Mayor of Reykjavík, 2 December, 2025.

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