

How Do Removal Companies Handle Parking Permits in London?



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Do removal companies arrange parking permits in London?

Most [removal companies](#) do not automatically arrange permits, but some can assist you or advise how to apply. It's essential to check with your mover during booking.

Companies like London Man Van offer guidance or can apply on your behalf for an extra fee, depending on the borough.

Who is responsible for getting the parking permit for a move?

The customer is usually responsible for [arranging parking permits for a house move](#) unless otherwise agreed. Removal firms may assist but do not include this by default in their service.

Always confirm in writing who will handle the permit application.

How much does a parking suspension or permit cost in London?

Parking permit or suspension costs vary by borough, generally between £40 to £120 per day per bay.

Additional admin fees may apply, and costs can increase for short-notice applications. Below are some examples:

- Camden: ~£73 per bay/day
- Westminster: ~£120 per bay/day
- Islington: ~£69 per day

How far in advance should you apply for a parking permit for moving?

Apply at least 5–10 working days in advance to ensure approval. Some boroughs require longer lead times, especially for weekend moves or suspensions.

Late applications may not be approved in time or could incur expedited fees.

What happens if there's no parking permit on moving day?

If there's no permit, the van may receive a parking ticket, or your movers may have to park far away—wasting time and increasing your cost.

Some companies may refuse to unload unless proper parking is arranged, so it's a risk worth avoiding. Plan ahead to avoid [moving day](#) issues.

Can removal vans park on single or double yellow lines?

Not legally without permission. [Removal vans](#) may be granted short-term exemptions in some boroughs, but parking on yellow lines without authorisation risks a fine or being towed.

Always check with the local council or apply for a suspension.

How long do moving day parking suspensions last?

Most councils allow bay suspensions from 8:00 AM to 6:30 PM or similar full-day slots.

If your move spans multiple days, you may need to request an extension and pay for each additional day per bay.

Do I need a permit at both the old and new address?

Yes. You usually need a valid parking permit or suspension at both your current and destination address to ensure the van can park legally at both locations.

How do councils in London handle parking for removals?

Each London borough has its own process, forms, and pricing. You must apply through the relevant borough's parking office or online portal.

- Forms often ask for date, time, [moving van size](#), and location
- Some councils require site sketches or photographs

Can I get fined if I don't arrange parking properly?

Yes. If your removal van parks illegally, you may receive a PCN (Penalty Charge Notice), which can cost £60–£130 depending on the violation.

In some cases, vans can even be clamped or towed—leading to delays and extra costs.

Plan Your Move with Confidence

Let us help you avoid surprises on moving day. At London Man Van, we guide you through the permit process and help ensure smooth logistics. [Book your meoval online](#) or contact us today for expert assistance.