



Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) Eligibility Map Guide

How to use the map

The [RPP eligibility map](#) provides information on whether addresses in Berkeley are eligible for annual or visitor Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) permits.

To use the tool:

1. Enter your address in the search screen in the top left corner of the map screen.
2. Select your address from the list of suggestions below and the map will zoom to that address and show a window displaying eligibility info for that address.
3. When a street is fully colored in with a certain color, that means it is signed for permits on both sides of the street. When a street is partially colored in, it means permits are only required on that side of the street. Clicking on the streets within an RPP Area will display which permit(s) are valid on that street. In some cases, more than one permit is able to park. These streets are shaded with diagonal lines and labeled as "Area CI" (meaning both C and I permits are able to park on that street).
4. Streets that are not filled in with a color mean they are not signed for RPP permits. However, there may be other parking restrictions at this location. When parking, be sure to check posted restrictions to confirm you are able to park there, for how long, and whether meter payment is required.
5. For more information on specific restrictions at individual addresses, see the section at the bottom of this page.

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Residential eligibility explanation and next steps

After searching for your address in the map, look for the section in the pop-up window labelled "Residential_Eligibility." If this section says "CONDITIONAL," then you may be eligible to apply for a permit. If this section says "NO," then you are not eligible to apply for a permit. Learn more about each of these eligibility codes below.

CONDITIONAL

A “conditional” address is either 1) coded as non-residential by Alameda County but may be eligible for RPP permits with additional documentation or 2) has conditions on eligibility, e.g. only 12 out of 24 units are eligible, or eligibility conditional on proving that one’s lease includes assigned off-street parking.

Please email RPP@cityofberkeley.info with your address and two forms of proof of residency for more information on how to apply.

NO - NON-RESIDENTIAL PARCEL

This is an address that is classified by Alameda County as a use other than residential. If you are a resident and can demonstrate that this is a residential address, you may challenge this determination by emailing supporting documentation to RPP@cityofberkeley.info. Several recently built developments have been built on formerly commercial parcels. In some cases, this information might not yet have been updated on the map. Residents of these developments would be “Excluded” from eligibility (see “No – Excluded” section below).

NO – BLOCK MUST OPT IN

This address is not currently eligible because your block has not yet opted into the RPP program. However, it is eligible to opt in via a petition process. For more information, visit the City’s RPP opt-in webpage.

NO - EXCLUDED

“Excluded” addresses are not eligible for permits. This typically happens when a large residential development project is applying for permits to build. Under Berkeley planning rules in effect until 2021, developments that did not provide the required amount of parking were excluded from the RPP Program. (For buildings built under the new zoning code passed in 2021, all new large developments are excluded from the RPP Program.) For this reason, exclusion from RPP eligibility is imposed as a condition of approval of the development. The implication is that the units in the building are intended to appeal to prospective residents who do not rely on private automobiles or who are willing to pay the full value of private parking on an open market. Landlords or sellers are required to notify their tenants or buyers of their excluded status, typically in lease or purchase documents.

NO – OUT OF AREA

Permits are not available at the address because it is not within the boundaries of the Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) Program. As a result, RPP signs are not posted on that block and permits are not required to park there.

Program boundaries are determined in part by the capacity of Parking Enforcement to patrol additional areas. Expansion of Enforcement capacity requires approval of the City Council, and would likely result in an increase to permit fees to cover the increased cost of enforcement.