

Accessible Parking in the City of Brampton

The City of Brampton is committed to ensuring that people of all ages and abilities enjoy the same opportunities as they live, work, play and visit in our City. This commitment includes ensuring access to appropriately marked, signed and maintained accessible parking spaces. Access to accessible parking is very important for people with disabilities to be able to enjoy services and facilities just as others are able to do. As our population ages and the number of people with disabilities increases, the need for accessible parking spaces will be even greater.

Requirements for accessible parking spaces in the City of Brampton are regulated by the following:

- Highway Traffic Act, *Ontario Regulation 581*
 - Specific sign requirements
- City of Brampton, Traffic By-law 93-93
 - Owners/operators obligations
 - Surface, size and configuration of parking spaces and access aisles
 - Curb cuts
 - Specific sign requirements
- City of Brampton, Zoning By-law 270-2004, as amended
 - Number of total parking spaces required (including accessible and regular spaces)
- Approved site plans
 - Specific requirements regarding number and location of accessible parking spaces and access

The following pages provide an overview of the requirements of accessible parking spaces in Brampton and some helpful hints to assist you with compliance with these requirements.

Accessible Parking Spaces

Owners and Operators Obligations:

The following outlines the obligations for parking lot owners and operators with respect to public parking areas and provides information regarding requirements for accessible parking spaces as identified in the Traffic By-law 93-93, Section 48.

As an owner/operator you are obligated to:

- Provide accessible parking spaces for the exclusive use of vehicles that are displaying an accessible parking permit
- Comply with any approved Site Plan requirements with respect to the number and location of accessible parking spaces
- Provide a **minimum** number of accessible parking spaces based on the total number of parking spaces provided and calculated in accordance with the following:

<u># of Public Parking Spaces</u>	<u>Minimum # of Accessible Parking Spaces</u>
1 - 19	0
20 - 99	1
100 – 199	2
200 – 299	3
300 – 399	4
400 – 499	5
500 or more	6

- Ensure the accessible parking spaces are kept free of any obstructions, snow, ice and slush and are maintained to the same standards as the other parking spaces provided in that public parking area.

Each accessible parking space must comply with the following:

Surface:

- Be located on a hard, level surface
- Be located in an area where people with disabilities can easily access a building or facility via curb ramps, depressed curbs or other means

Physical Dimensions:

- Be a minimum of 2.7 metres wide and as long as the other parking spaces in the same public parking area
- Have an access aisle that is a minimum 1.35 metres wide and as long as the parking space and marked with hatching to indicate that parking is prohibited in this space.
- Where two accessible parking spaces are provided in the same location, a shared access aisle of 2.18 metres may be used.
- Measurements are calculated based on mid-point to mid-point from the painted lines of the parking space and access aisle.
- Recommended line width for markings is 10 cm.

Curb Cuts:

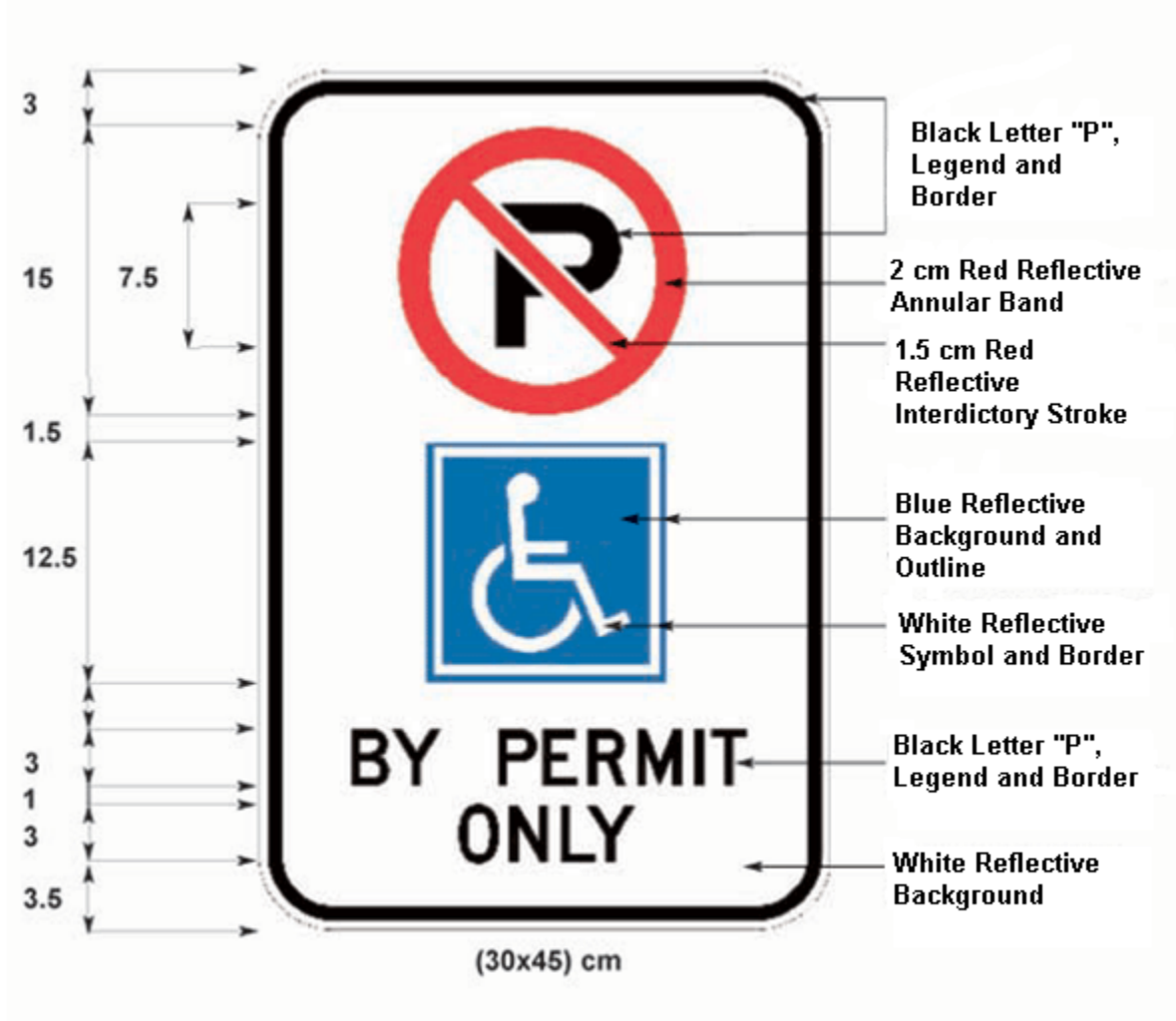
- Must be provided where there is a change in grade and the access aisle abuts a raised surface or where a raised surface is in close proximity to the access aisle

Signage:

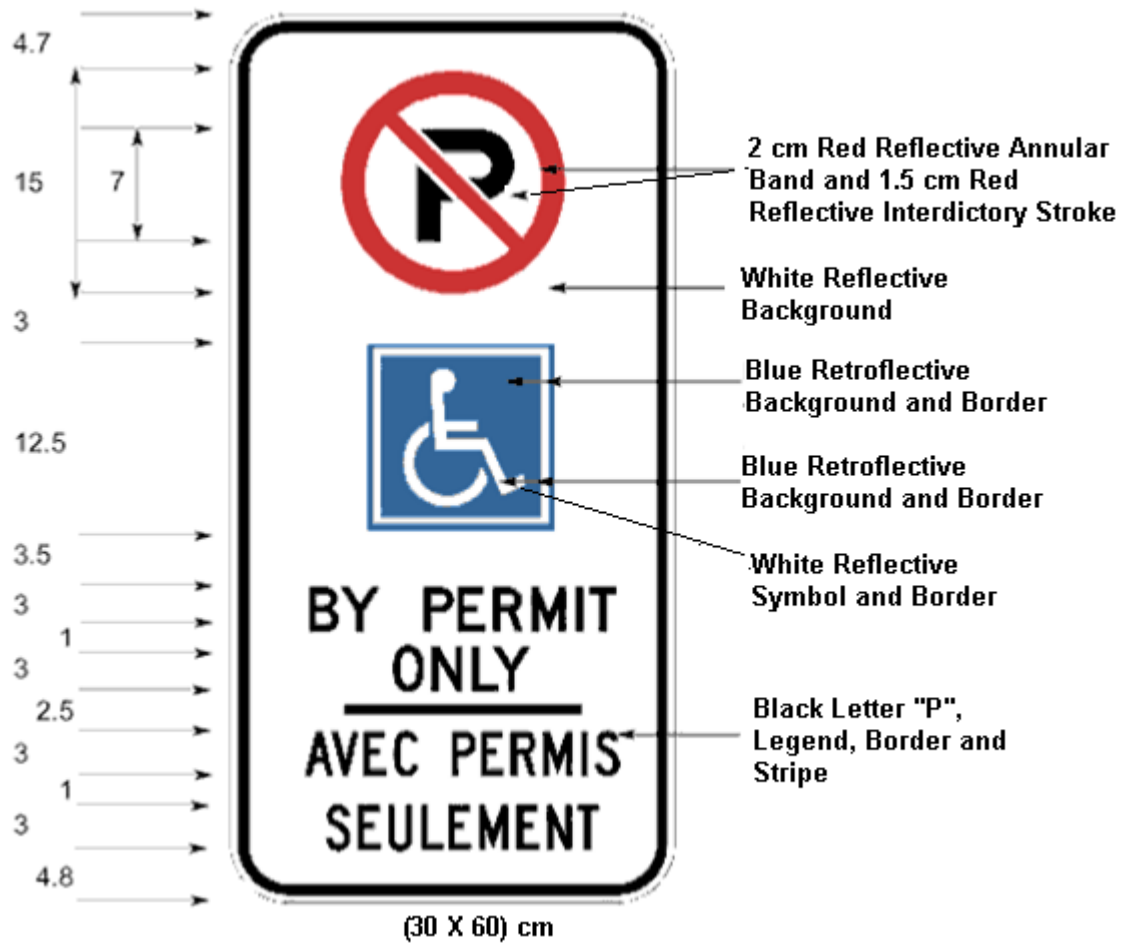
- Erect signage for each accessible parking space and maintain it in good repair and ensure that it:
 - Is visible to the public
 - Is located on a permanent post, building or structure
 - Has the bottom edge of the sign 1 metre to 1.5 metres above the surface
 - Is located midpoint at the end of the parking space so that it does not block access to the parking space or interfere with the access to the depressed curb or curb cut
 - Is reflective
 - Is in accordance with the requirements of the Highway Traffic Act, *Ontario Regulation 581, Section 11*
 - Includes the wording “Maximum Fine \$5000” and “For Enforcement call 905-458-3424” on the same sign or an another sign in close proximity to the accessible parking sign

Highway Traffic Act, Ontario Regulation 581, Section 11

11. A parking space designated on Crown land or under a municipal by-law for the use of persons with a disability shall be distinctly indicated by erecting a disabled person parking permit sign which shall,
- (a) be not less than forty-five centimetres in height and not less than thirty centimetres in width and bear the markings and have the dimensions as described and illustrated in the following Figure:



(b) be not less than sixty centimetres in height and not less than thirty centimetres in width and bear the markings and have the dimensions as described and illustrated in the following Figure:



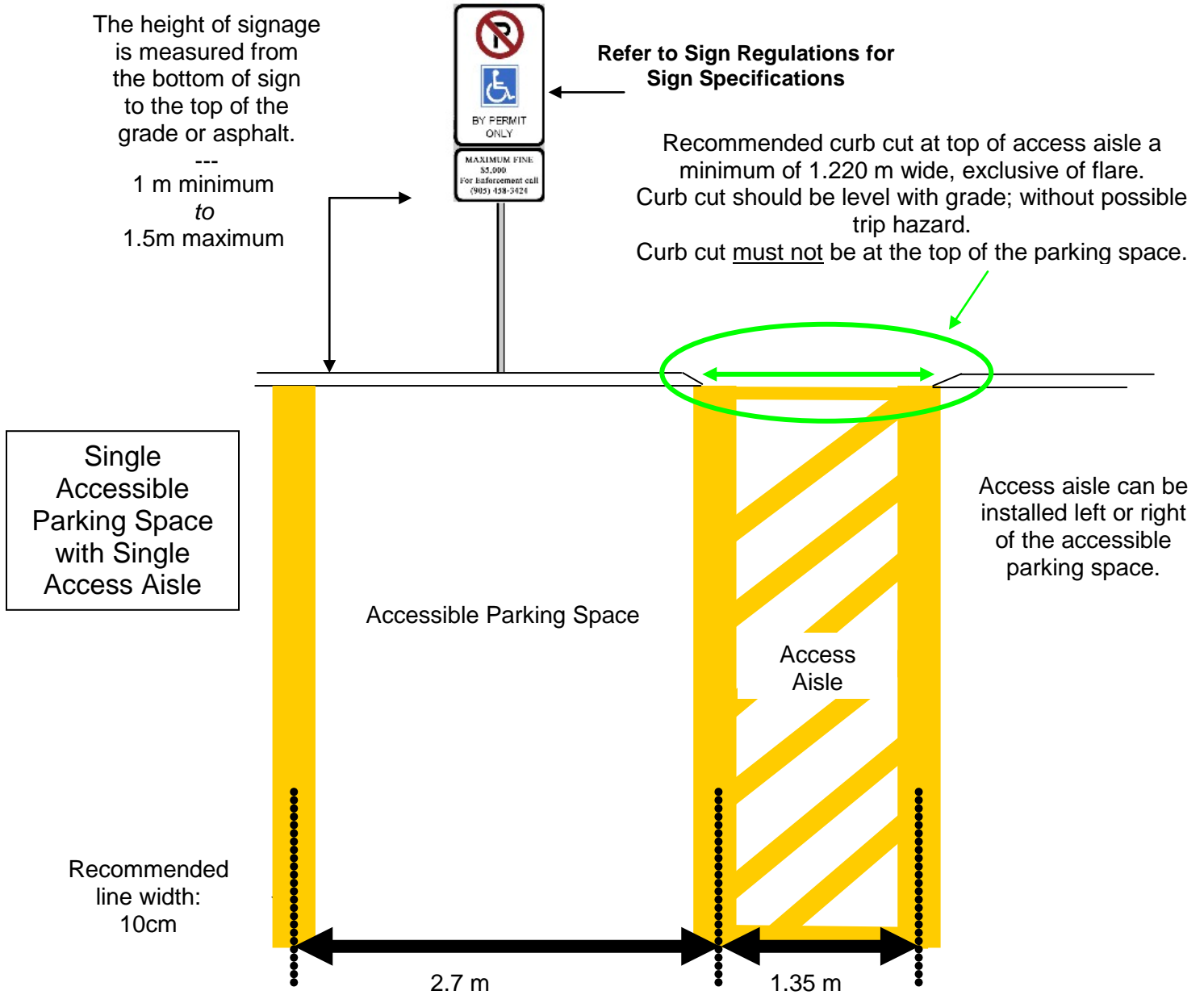
City of Brampton Traffic By-law 93-93 Accessible Parking Sign



White Reflective
Background and
Black Lettering

The following diagrams are intended to assist you with accessible parking space compliance:

For single access aisle configurations:



For shared access aisle configurations:

The height of signage is measured from the bottom of sign to the top of the grade or asphalt.

1 m minimum
to
1.5m maximum



Recommended curb cut at top of access aisle a minimum of 1220 mm wide, exclusive of flare. Curb cut should be level with grade; without possible trip hazard. Curb cut must not be at the top of the parking space.



Refer to Sign Regulations for Sign Specifications

Two Accessible Parking Spaces with Shared Access Aisle

Accessible Parking Space

Shared Access Aisle

Recommended line width: 10cm

