

# Determining Blue Badge and Concessionary Travel eligibility in England using Personal Independence Payment (PIP) award notifications

## Determining Blue Badge eligibility

People who score 8 points or more in the “Moving around” activity of Personal Independence Payment (PIP) are automatically eligible for a Blue Badge.

When PIP is introduced in April 2013 the award notification letters will not show the points scores the claimant has been given.

The letters will show the descriptor that the claimant has been given for each activity.

To check if a claimant is automatically eligible for a Blue Badge, you should check which descriptor they have been awarded for “Moving around” (the last activity on the list). The table below shows you which descriptors score 8 or more points.

### Activity 12 - Moving around

Descriptor	Points	Automatically Eligible
A. You can stand and then move more than 200 metres	0	No
B. You can stand and then move more than 50 metres but no more than 200 metres	4	No
C. You can stand and then move unaided more than 20 metres but no more than 50 metres	8	Yes
D. You can stand and then move using an aid or appliance more than 20 metres but no more than 50 metres	10	Yes
E. You can stand and then move more than 1 metre but no more than 20 metres	12	Yes
F. You cannot stand or move more than 1 metre	12	Yes

## Determining Concessionary Travel eligibility

People who score 8 points or more in the “Moving around” activity of Personal Independence Payment (PIP) are likely to be eligible for concessionary bus travel.

Decisions about eligibility are made by local authorities. You should tell claimants if they are likely to be eligible, but explain that it is not guaranteed until the local authority have made a decision.

When PIP is introduced in April 2013 the award notification letters will not show the points scores the claimant has been given.

The letters will show the descriptor that the claimant has been given for each activity.

To check if a claimant is likely to be eligible for concessionary bus travel, you should check which descriptor they have been awarded for “Moving around” (the last activity on the list). The table below shows you which descriptors score 8 or more points.

### Activity 12 - Moving around

Descriptor	Points	Automatically Eligible
A. You can stand and then move more than 200 metres	0	Unlikely
B. You can stand and then move more than 50 metres but no more than 200 metres	4	Unlikely
C. You can stand and then move unaided more than 20 metres but no more than 50 metres	8	Likely
D. You can stand and then move using an aid or appliance more than 20 metres but no more than 50 metres	10	Likely
E. You can stand and then move more than 1 metre but no more than 20 metres	12	Likely
F. You cannot stand or move more than 1 metre	12	Likely