

1 AN ACT relating to disabled parking placards.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 189.456 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) On the application of any person who has a severe visual, audio, or physical
5 impairment, including partial paralysis, lower limb amputation, chronic heart
6 condition, emphysema, arthritis, rheumatism, or other debilitating condition which
7 limits or impairs one's personal mobility or ability to walk, the county clerk in the
8 county of the person's residence shall issue the person with a disability an accessible
9 parking placard. In addition, any agency or organization which transports persons
10 with a disability as a part of the service provided by that agency or organization
11 shall receive an accessible parking placard upon application to the county clerk for
12 each vehicle used in the transportation of persons with a disability. The accessible
13 parking placard issued shall be a two (2) sided hanger style placard and shall on
14 each side bear the international symbol of access adopted by Rehabilitation
15 International in 1969, the date of expiration of the placard ***indicated by a month***
16 ***and year hole-punch system***, a seal or other identification of the Kentucky
17 Transportation Cabinet, and shall contain the accessible parking placard
18 identification number and other information the Transportation Cabinet may by
19 regulation require. The international symbol of access shall be at least three (3)
20 inches in height, be centered on the placard and in a white color on a blue shield.
21 Any information contained on the placard shall be written in indelible ink or
22 inscribed in other permanent fashion so as to prevent tampering with or the
23 changing of information contained on the placard.
- 24 (2) The county clerk shall issue an accessible parking placard at no charge that shall be
25 valid for a period of two (2) years and which may be twice renewed for a period of
26 two (2) years, without any fee being charged to the applicant. The application shall
27 be made on a form prepared by the Transportation Cabinet. Placards shall be printed

1 at cabinet expense and distributed to the county clerk of each county who shall keep
2 a record of applications filed and placards issued.

3 (3) For every person seeking an accessible parking placard, proof of the disability shall
4 be required by:

5 (a) Evidence that the individual has a license plate for a person with a disability
6 as provided by KRS 186.041 or 186.042;

7 (b) The county clerk issuing the permit ascertaining that the applicant is obviously
8 disabled; or

9 (c) A statement from a licensed physician, chiropractor, or advanced practice
10 registered nurse that the applicant is a person whose mobility, flexibility,
11 coordination, respiration, or perceptiveness is significantly reduced by a
12 permanent disability to that person's arms, legs, lungs, heart, ears, or eyes.

13 (4) For every agency or organization seeking an accessible parking placard for a person
14 with a disability, application for the placard shall include:

15 (a) Name of the agency or organization requesting use of an accessible parking
16 placard;

17 (b) Number of vehicles being used in the transportation of persons with a
18 disability; and

19 (c) A statement from the director of the agency or organization verifying the need
20 for the parking placard.

21 (5) The accessible parking placard shall, when the vehicle is parked in a parking space
22 identified as accessible to a person with a disability, be displayed so that it may be
23 viewed from the front and rear of the vehicle by hanging the placard from the front
24 windshield rear view mirror. When there is no rear view mirror, the placard shall be
25 displayed on the dashboard.

26 (6) ~~[A person who has not been issued a license plate for a person with a disability~~
27 ~~under the provisions of KRS 186.041 or 186.042 may be issued a second parking~~

1 ~~placard at no charge.~~

2 ~~(7)~~—] A person with a disability who has been issued a parking placard pursuant to this
3 section may make application for a replacement placard by swearing in an affidavit
4 that the original placard has been lost, stolen, or destroyed. The replacement parking
5 placard shall be issued at no charge by the county clerk.

6 ~~(Z)~~~~(8)~~ The Transportation Cabinet may promulgate administrative regulations
7 pursuant to KRS Chapter 13A to implement or administer this section.

8 ➔Section 2. This Act takes effect January 1, 2018.