

10 Minute Mandatory Grace Periods in parking bays

From 6 April 2015, the council has been giving a 10 minute grace period to vehicles parked in dedicated parking bays, where a period of permitted parking ends and controls then come into force.

The 10 minute grace period applies in parking bays in the following instances:

- at the start of controlled hours when the bay reverts from being uncontrolled to controlled
- upon expiry of a paid for session during controlled hours
- upon expiry of a permitted 'free' parking period during controlled hours (e.g. a maximum stay)

The 10 minute grace period does not apply in the following instances:

- anywhere outside of a parking bay, for example on yellow lines, loading bans, footway, when double parked etc.
- where a vehicle is parked in a permitted parking bay during controlled hours without permission, without a permit or without having made payment (beyond the first 10 minutes of control)

Type of Restriction	Grace Period
Parking places – car parks Car Parks – Pay and display only No initial payment	10 minutes grace from the start of controlled hours only, 5 minutes observation period from the expiry of the grace period
Car Parks – Pay and display only Expiry of time	10 minutes grace after expiry of time limit. Nil observation period after that time *
Parking places – on-street Shared use bay – no initial payment	10 minutes grace from the start of controlled hours only, 5 minutes observation period from the expiry of the grace period
Residents bay	10 minutes grace from the start of controlled hours only, 5 minutes observation period from the expiry of the grace period
Free bay	10 minutes grace after expiry of time limit
Pay and display (P&D) bay – no initial payment	10 minutes grace from the start of controlled hours only, 5 minutes observation period from the expiry of the grace period
P&D bay (expiry of time)	10 minutes grace period after expiry time of P&D ticket. Nil observation period after that time.

*In Adur Car Parks Blue Badge Holders will be given a 20 minute grace period from the expiry time