

## **Pedestrian areas**

Vehicles are prohibited from some of the streets in the centre of the town, such as the High Street, without a permit.

## **Beaches and headlands**

There are strict regulations about driving on the beaches during the summer without a permit. Car parks are provided at most beaches and headlands. Vehicles must not be parked on any grass areas.

## **And finally**

Many roads in Guernsey are narrow lanes, with high hedges or granite walls. You must be ready to meet horses, cattle, cyclists, pedestrians, and other drivers who may be just as lost as you! Please drive courteously. Few junctions away from the Primary Routes are signposted.

Visibility is poor at many junctions. Some have convex mirrors to help motorists, but they make vehicles look further away than they really are. Care is necessary at all times. Drinking and driving do not mix, and the Police can and do make random checks.

We wish you a pleasant and safe stay in Guernsey.



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## Driving in Guernsey is different!

The roads are narrow, there are special rules, and not all the signs will be familiar to you. The following information highlights the differences between driving in Guernsey and driving in other countries.

Please take the time to read it carefully *before* you venture onto the roads.

### The filter in turn system

Some junctions have *filter in turn* on a sign and painted on the road. Approach them with care! At these junctions all directions have equal priority. You must only enter the junction in turn with other vehicles. You must not enter the junction unless you exit is clear.



### Yellow stop lines

A yellow line across the exit of a minor road means *stop* and give way to traffic on the major road. A yellow arrow painted on the road gives warning of a yellow line ahead.

### Yellow No Stopping lines

A single yellow line painted along the side of the road or pavement means that vehicles must not stop for any reason other than to avoid an accident.

### Maximum speed 35mph

The maximum speed limit in the Island is 35mph (56kph). There are lower speed limits in some areas. In and around the town the speed limit is 25mph (40kph). Remember, however, that these are maximum speeds, not recommended speeds, and in many places a much lower speed is necessary for safe driving.



### Parking

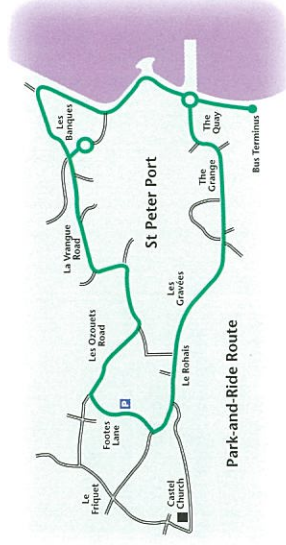
All public parking in Guernsey is free. However, most on-street parking and car parks in principal shopping areas are marked *disc zone* and you must use a “parking clock” to indicate your time of arrival, day or night. The time limit for that particular disc parking place starts from the time you parked your vehicle - you must not park for longer than the specified period for that parking place unless that period ends after 6pm, when you may park until 8am the following morning.

Having left a disc parking area, you must not re-park within the same zone for 30 minutes. Parking clocks may be purchased at a nominal cost, on car ferries, at the Information Bureau, the Police Station, some garages and retail outlets, and the Environment Department’s Bulwer Avenue Office. A full explanation of the disc parking regulations can be found on the parking clock.

Most of the parking near the centre of Town is short-stay (three hours or less). Long-stay parking (five hours or more) is generally further away, and fills up early in the morning. The major Town car parks are on the Harbour piers.

### Park-and-Ride

If you need to park in Town or at the Harbour for longer than three hours, for example to go on a day trip to one of the neighbouring islands, we suggest you take a bus or taxi, or use the park-and-ride service, which runs from Footes Lane.



Park in the free car park at Footes Lane and take one of the frequent buses to your destination. There are at least three buses each hour into the centre of St Peter Port from 7.35am. The last departure from the Town bus terminus back to the car park leaves at 6.25pm. However, it is possible to make use of the other scheduled service buses to return later, so you should check with the bus timetable. The car park is easy to find - just use the map and follow the signs.

### Parking at night

Vehicles parked at night must show lights unless they are parked in a disc zone or approved parking place. Single parking lights are not allowed. They must not park facing oncoming traffic.

### Disabled

Disabled visitors to the Island may park in any short-stay disc park for up to a maximum of two hours, provided they display a disabled permit/badge issued in a participating European country, as well as a Guernsey parking clock. They may also use special designated disabled parking spaces. These are the only concessions. Disabled visitors from places other than a participating country will need to obtain a special permit. Full regulations are detailed in the leaflet “Transport and the Disabled in Guernsey” which is available from the Environment Department.

### Accidents

Accidents involving personal injury or serious damage must be reported to the Police within 24 hours. Minor accidents not involving injury need not be reported, provided the names and addresses of those concerned are exchanged. In case of any doubt about what you should do, then contact the Island Police on 725111.