

## Right to Appeal:

If you are not happy with the outcome of the assessment, you can appeal. Your desk-based and independent mobility assessments will be reviewed by the Executive Manager of Occupational Therapy.

Please contact the Transport Planning Service if you would like your application to be reviewed or require more information:

Transport Planning Service  
6 North Ness Business Park  
Lerwick  
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Tel: 01595 744868

[www.transportscotland.gov.uk/road/policy/blue-badge-scheme](http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk/road/policy/blue-badge-scheme)

## Where is the Independent Living Centre?



To find us:

- Turn into the Gremista Road
- Take 4<sup>th</sup> junction on the right
- Take 1<sup>st</sup> junction on the right



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# The Independent Mobility Assessment



Helping you with everyday tasks

## **What is an Independent Mobility Assessment?**

You will be asked to attend an assessment if we need additional information to support your Blue Badge application.

The assessment is an opportunity for you to discuss the impact your disability has on your mobility and for an Occupational Therapist to see your mobility issues first hand.

## **Who assesses my application?**

Legislation in 2012 means that all Blue Badge applications are assessed by the Community Occupational Therapy Service instead of your GP.

## **What is an Occupational Therapist?**

An Occupational Therapist (OT) is a qualified health care professional who has specialist skills in assessing function and mobility. All OT's are registered with the Health Professions Council. See [www.hpc-uk.org](http://www.hpc-uk.org) for more information.

## **What can I expect at my assessment?**

Your assessment will take place at the Independent Living Centre in Gremista. If you have difficulty travelling to the Centre, please contact the Transport Planning Service to discuss alternative arrangements.

On arrival you will be greeted in reception by the occupational therapy staff. Your appointment will take approximately 30-40 minutes and you can bring an escort with you.

Two Occupational Therapists will observe your mobility, taking note of speed and any difficulty. You will also be asked questions about your mobility and medical conditions, and how this impacts on your day to day life.

## **Has my application been successful?**

You will not be told the outcome of your application on the day of your assessment. The Transport Planning Service will write to you informing you of the outcome.

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