

From October 2020

Mobility Scooters

Our guide to how and where you can travel



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We'd love to hear from you

If you'd like more information, or you'd like to tell us about your experience of our support, or provide feedback any aspect of our services we'd love to hear from you.

Here's how you can get in touch with our Customer Experience Centre team:



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Call them free on **0800 200 6060**

Dial Text Relay free on **18001 0800 200 6060**

- Twitter **@northernassist**
 - Facebook /northernassist

Or go to **northernrailway.co.uk**

At Northern we are committed to providing a rail network that is inclusive and as accessible as possible, offering the opportunity to travel to areas in the north of England that may not have previously been possible.

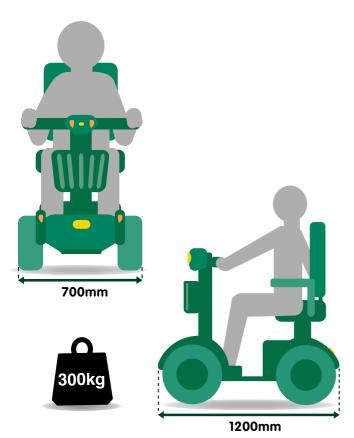
We have made great progress in upgrading our trains, introducing more almost 100 new trains and refurbishing more than 200 others. This means that the trains serving our customers across the north are more accessible than ever before.

To make the best use of these improvements, and following a successful trial, we're now able to offer our customers who use mobility scooters better access at more than 100 stations which are fully accessible.

To travel with us, scooter users will need to join our new scheme and, once approved, will receive a permit and a sticker for their scooter, depending on certain conditions being met. Once you've received your permit and sticker, you're ready to travel.

We welcome applications from users of both three and four wheel scooters, all that we ask is that they meet the criteria on the next page.

- The scooter must be a class 2 vehicle with a maximum speed of 4mph
- Maximum length of 120cm and width of 70cm (standard wheelchair footprint)
- A turning radius no larger than 150cm
- Maximum weight, including rider, is no more than 300kg (47 stone)
- Minimum climb ability of six degrees
- Must have anti-tip wheels fitted to the rear of the scooter.



To apply for a mobility scooter permit, please complete the application form in this leaflet or alternatively you can complete the application form online, available via the **Assisted Travel section** of **northernrailway.co.uk**

If your scooter meets with the requirements of the scheme, we will send you a personalised permit and a sticker that must be displayed on your scooter, where possible, before you travel with us.

This does not replace your ticket and you will need to purchase the appropriate ticket for your journey.

Please be aware that the information in this leaflet and mobility scooter permit applies to Northern services only.

For travel on other operators' services, you will need to check the individual mobility scooter policies before travel.

Folding mobility scooters

If you can fold your scooter to get on the train, you do not require a permit and can travel to and from any accessible station. All we ask is that you please fold it before the train arrives so you're ready to board.

If you are unable to fold down your scooter, please ensure that you are travelling with a companion who is able to fold it down.

If you require a wheelchair to get on the train, just let us know. Our larger staffed stations have wheelchairs available on the platform and we will be happy to arrange for a member of staff to help you onto the train.



Boarding our trains safely

Make sure you do not cross the yellow line on the platform before the train arrives. We also ask that any shopping or luggage is removed from mobility scooters prior to boarding as these items can affect the balance of the vehicle.

We will then put the ramp down so that you can board the wheelchair area of the train. If you are travelling without a companion, we will then bring any shopping or luggage that was removed to you.



Boarding our trains safely

It is important that **you apply the brakes and switch off your scooter**, and, if possible, transfer to a seat.

To ensure there is space available on our services to accomodate your mobility scooter we recommend that you book ahead. Our **Passenger Assist team** are available to help with any bookings or advice, they can be contacted on **0800 138 5560**.



During times of disruption

If we need to provide alternative transport when our train services are disrupted, such as during emergency line closures, we will arrange this for you. Accessible taxis able to carry non-folding scooters are not always as readily available as other taxis.

If you can fold or break down your scooter prior to travelling, please inform a member of the team, this may minimise delays for you. If you are only able to travel with your scooter in its complete state, we will endeavour to accommodate you as quickly as possible.

Where there are planned engineering works, we recommend that, where possible, you call our **Passenger Assist team** so that we can pre-book transport for you.

Of course, if this does not meet your travel needs, we will still do our best to support you during your journey but booking helps us to provide the best service for you.

A satisfied customer



Stewart Holmes - pictured - is a mobility scooter user of our services in the East Region, and recently wrote to us...

I have been using my mobility scooter on the Leeds to Doncaster service and viceversa, since mid-February 2019.

The scooter has assisted with my mobility needs tremendously. I have also been able to use the scooter on the new 331 trains, which have better access and facilities.

I find the 331 trains easier to manoeuvre into the designated spaces. The station and train staff are happy to assist with access on and off the trains.

Thank You Northern".

Scooter friendly routes and stations

Due to the build of some stations and platforms across the railway network, unfortunately we are unable to allow travel from stations if they cannot facilitate safe boarding for scooter users.

We have provided a list of routes and stations where we can safely accommodate your mobility scooter.

We will be looking to add to these where possible as and when newer, more compatible trains are introduced.



Manchester to Crewe via Manchester Airport

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Manchester Piccadilly - Mauldeth Road - Burnage - East Didsbury - Gatley -Heald Green - Manchester Airport - Styal - Wilmslow - Alderley Edge - Chelford -Goostrey - Holmes Chapel - Crewe.

Manchester to Crewe via Stockport

Manchester Piccadilly - Heaton Chapel - Stockport - Cheadle Hulme - Wilmslow -Alderley Edge - Chelford - Goostrey -Holmes Chapel - Crewe.



Blackpool North to Manchester

Blackpool North - Poulton-le-Fylde -Kirkham & Wesham - Preston - Buckshaw Parkway - Chorley - Blackrod - Horwich Parkway - Bolton - Moses Gate - Farnworth - Manchester Piccadilly or Manchester Victoria.

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Blackpool North - Poulton-le-Fylde - Kirkham & Wesham - Preston - Euxton Balshaw Lane - Wigan North Western - Manchester Piccadilly or Manchester Victoria.



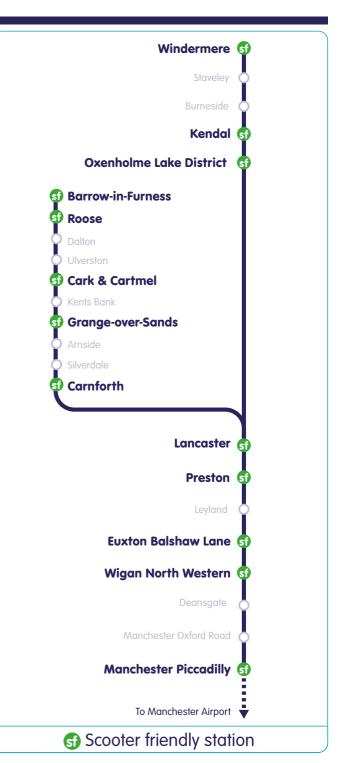
Windermere to Manchester

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Windermere - Kendal - Oxenholme Lake District - Lancaster - Preston - Euxton Balshaw Lane - Wigan North Western -Manchester Piccadilly.

Barrow-in-Furness to Manchester

Barrow-in-Furness - Roose - Cark & Cartmel - Grange-over-Sands - Carnforth - Lancaster - Preston - Euxton Balshaw Lane - Wigan North Western - Manchester Piccadilly.



Southport to Manchester

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Southport - Burscough Bridge - Wigan Wallgate - Bolton - Moses Gate Farnworth - Manchester Piccadilly OR Manchester Victoria.

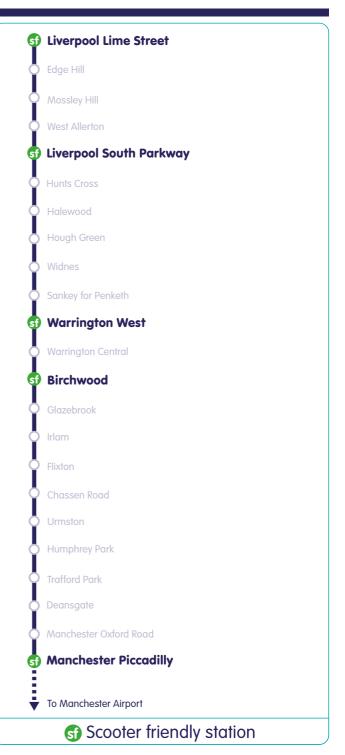
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Liverpool Lime Street to Manchester via Warrington Central

Liverpool Lime Street - Liverpool South Parkway - Warrington West - Birchwoood -Manchester Piccadilly.



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Liverpool Lime Street to Warrington Bank Quay

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Liverpool Lime Street - Wavertree Technology Park - Warrington Bank Quay.

Liverpool Lime Street to Manchester via Newton-le-Willows

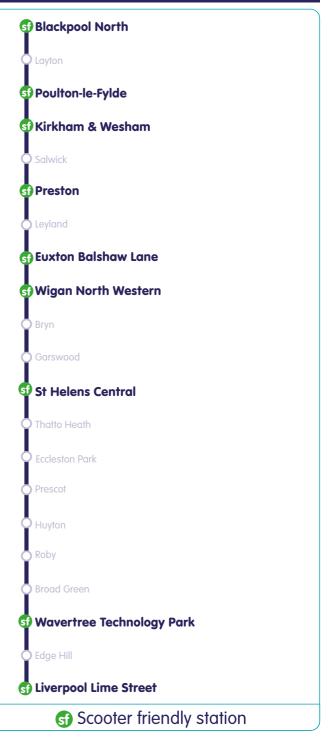
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Blackpool North to Liverpool Lime Street

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Blackpool North - Poulton-le-Fylde - Kirkham & Wesham - Preston - Euxton Balshaw Lane - Wigan North Western - St Helens Central -Wavertree Technology Park - Liverpool Lime Street.



Manchester to Stoke-on-Trent

Manchester Piccadilly - Heaton Chapel - Stockport - Cheadle Hulme - Poynton -Macclesfield - Congleton - Stoke-on-Trent.

Manchester to Buxton

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Manchester Piccadilly - Heaton Chapel - Stockport - Hazel Grove - Middlewood -Disley - New Mills Newtown - Furness Vale - Chapel-en-le-Frith - Dove Holes - Buxton.



Manchester to Sheffield via the Hope Valley

Manchester Piccadilly - Edale - Hathersage - Dore & Totley - Sheffield.

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Manchester to Glossop and Hadfield

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Carlisle to Barrow-in-Furness via the Cumbrian Coast

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Manchester to Chester via Altrincham

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Leeds to York via Micklefield

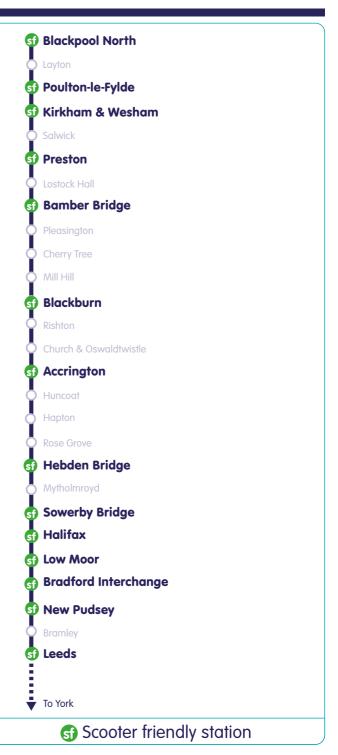
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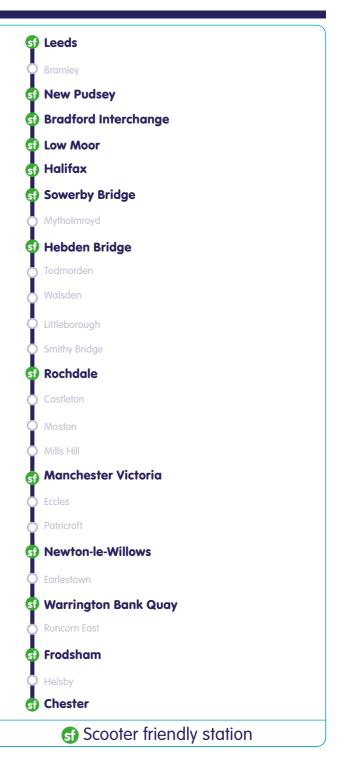
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Blackpool North - Poulton-le-Fylde - Kirkham & Wesham - Preston - Bamber Bridge -Blackburn - Accrington - Hebden Bridge - Sowerby Bridge - Halifax - Low Moor -Bradford Interchange - New Pudsey - Leeds.



Leeds to Manchester Victoria and Chester via Bradford Interchange

Leeds - New Pudsey - Bradford Interchange - Low Moor - Halifax - Sowerby Bridge -Hebden Bridge - Rochdale - Manchester Victoria - Newton-le-Willows - Warrington Bank Quay - Frodsham - Chester.



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Leeds to Skipton

Leeds - Apperley Bridge - Kirkstall Forge -Bingley - Crossflatts - Skipton.

Bradford Forster Square to Skipton

Bradford Forster Square - Bingley -Crossflatts - Skipton.

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Leeds to Ilkley

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Leeds to Doncaster via Wakefield Westgate

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Leeds to Nottingham via Barnsley and Sheffield

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Leeds to Lincoln via Barnsley and Sheffield

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Huddersfield to Sheffield via Penistone and Barnsley

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Bridlington to Hull

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Apply for your mobility scooter permit

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Your application

Please complete the application form and then cut it out, fold in half and glue round the edges then put in the post.

Alternatively you can complete the application form online, available via the **Assisted Travel section** of **northernrailway.co.uk**

Once we have received your application and information relating to your scooter model, we will determine whether it meets the criteria of the mobility scooter permit using manufacturers data sheets.

The permit will be model specific, if you change your scooter you will need to apply for a new permit.

The mobility permit and sticker remains Northern's property at all times. We can withdraw it, and ask you to return it to us, at any time.

Your personal information

We are committed to protecting your privacy and complying with the Data Protection Act 2018.

The information provided on the application form will be held securely and managed in line with our privacy policy, which you can find online at **northernrailway.co.uk**

We require this information in order to issue you with a permit and sticker and we will not use your information for any other purposes.

We apply appropriate administrative, technical and organisational security measures to protect your personal data that is under our control from unauthorised access, collection, use, disclosure, copying, modification or disposal.

The information in this leaflet was correct at the time of printing in October 2020, but may be subject to change without prior notice. **Assisted Travel Team - Scooter Permit Application**

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Open out for your mobility scooter permit application form

Northern mobility scooter permit application form

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Last name			
Address			
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Make and model of mobility scooter			
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When riding the scooter combined weight under 300kg/47stone?	, is your	Yes	No

Useful contact details



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