Princeton University Parking Rules & Regulations

Transportation & Parking Services at Princeton University is committed to providing reliable and safe transportation and parking services that enhance the quality of life while promoting sustainability, accessibility, and mobility on campus.

Members of the University community who need to park on campus must obtain a permit from Transportation & Parking Services. The following parking rules and regulations apply to members of the Princeton University community and University visitors who need to park on campus. Additional information may be found online at www.princeton.edu/parking.

Throughout the year, University traffic and parking assignments will be impacted by various events including, but not limited to:

- Student move in
- Commencement
- Athletic events
- Construction

I. Parking Permits

Parking permits are issued to University faculty, staff, graduate students, undergraduate students (juniors and seniors only), and University contractors. A valid University parking permit consists of a removable hangtag and non-removable decal. Both items must be properly displayed for a vehicle to be legally parked on campus.

The hangtag indicates parking zone and lot assignments and must be hung from the near view mirror so that the assignment information is visible through the front windshield. Individuals who reside in University Housing will also have a housing designation on the hangtag. Transportation & Parking Services encourages the removal of the hangtag while driving.

Decals must be applied to the driver's side passenger window from the inside. For pick-up trucks, the decal should be applied to the back window behind the driver's seat. Expired decals and hangtags must be removed and destroyed.

Please note that a University parking permit does not necessarily guarantee a parking space on campus. There is a $20 replacement fee for lost, stolen, or damaged hangtags. Hangtags are non-transferable.

FACULTY/STAFF

Employees who intend to park on campus must register their vehicle. Parking registration may be done in person or online. Employees may register multiple vehicles, for which they will receive one decal for each vehicle, but only one hangtag per employee. Employees must transfer the hangtag to the vehicle that will be parked on campus.

When driving a loaner or rental vehicle, a temporary parking permit will be issued. Temporary permits may be picked up at Transportation & Parking Services.

STUDENTS

Undergraduate juniors and seniors may purchase a University parking permit, valid through June 13, by registering their vehicle with Transportation & Parking Services in person or online. The cost for undergraduate parking is $180 payable by cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, or student charge account. Summer 2011 permits will be available for sale beginning June 2011. Freshmen and sophomores are not permitted to have a vehicle on campus.

Graduate students who reside in University housing must register with Transportation & Parking Services in person or online for a parking permit for their designated housing unit.

Graduate students who do not reside in University housing may register for a commuter student parking permit, in person or online. Parking permits for graduate students are valid through August 31.

UNIVERSITY CONTRACTORS

Parking permit requests for contractors must be made in writing to parking@princeton.edu by the hiring University sponsor. If approved by Transportation & Parking Services, a designated permit will be issued.

II. Parking Zone and Lot Assignments

FACULTY/STAFF PARKING

Each University registered vehicle is assigned a parking zone and lot(s) determined by the vehicle owner's affiliation with the University (see reverse for zone and lot map). The zone and lot assignments are indicated on the hangtag and must be visible through the front windshield when the vehicle is parked.

Drivers may park in a lot that is not assigned to them within their designated zone only if the assigned lot is full. Drivers may park in Lot 21 only if parking is not available in any lot within their designated zone.

STUDENT PARKING

During University business hours, students are permitted to park only in the designated area(s) indicated on their parking permit.

Student parking in faculty/staff lots is only permitted between 5 pm and 2 am, Monday through Friday. Parking in Lots 6, 8, 9, 11, 18, or next to campus buildings is prohibited at all times.

Commuter graduate students may park in Lot 21 or along the designated graduate student parking areas along Western Way.

III. Housing Parking

Housing permits are issued on an annual basis and include the resident's designated housing complex. If parking is not available in an assigned residential lot, the following overflow lots are available after 5 pm: Butler residents may park in Lot 21 near Jadwin Gym; Edwards Place, Dickinson Street, Lawrence Apartments, and University Place residents may park in Lot 19 near the Graduate College.

Parking on campus, other than the assigned housing parking, is not permitted during the academic year, 8 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday. TigerTransit shuttle services are provided for accessing campus.

IV. Special Parking Accommodations, Medical & Accessible (HC) Parking

If special parking accommodations are needed due to a medical condition or disability, faculty, staff, and students must first contact University Health Services with appropriate documentation.

Drivers requesting HC parking must present a State or Municipal HC ID to Transportation & Parking Services. When parked, vehicles must display a valid University parking permit along with a HC license plate or placard.

For visitors with HC placards or license plates, HC parking is available only in the designated spaces in the West Garage, 8 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday. For extended use of HC spaces, visitors should request a permit from Transportation & Parking Services.

V. Visitor Parking

During normal University business hours (8 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday), visitors coming to campus may park in Lot 21 near Jadwin Gymnasium or the Lot 23 visitor area off of Elm Drive. TigerTransit operates frequently from Lots 21 and 23 weekday mornings until early evening.

VISITOR HC PARKING

See section IV.

MUNICIPAL & METERED PARKING

Additional parking accommodations near campus include three municipal parking garages, with hourly rates, located on Chambers, Hulffish, and Spring streets in downtown Princeton.

TRANSPORTATION & PARKING SERVICES

New South, A Level - Princeton, NJ 08544 - 609.258.3157
parking@princeton.edu - www.princeton.edu/parking

Metered parking on Princeton streets is limited to one or two hours, and in most cases operates from 8 am to 7 pm, Monday through Saturday. Additional Princeton Borough parking information may be found online at www.princetonboro.org/parking.cfm.

OVERNIGHT PARKING (2 AM–8 AM)

Overnight parking is by permit only. Visitors who require overnight parking accommodations should request a special permit in advance from Transportation & Parking Services during normal business hours. Vehicles parked overnight without a permit risk being towed or booted at the vehicle owner's expense.

EVENING AND WEEKEND PARKING (WEEKNIGHTS, 5 PM TO 2 AM; WEEKENDS, 6 AM TO 2 AM)

Weeknight and weekend parking is available in most University numbered parking lots, including the West Garage and Lot 21. Lots 6, 8, 9, 11, and 18 are not open to the public at any time.

VI. Regulations

- Parking policy is in effect year-round, including University holidays and break periods. If parking is not available in an assigned lot, vehicles should be parked in Lot 21 near Jadwin Gym.

- Parking on the grass, sidewalks, and roadways is strictly prohibited.

- Tampering or altering a University parking permit is prohibited, subject to a $200 fine, and will result in the suspension of parking privileges.

- Absence of signage is not an authorization to park. Parking is permitted in designated areas only. See map on reverse for authorized parking areas.

- “University Vehicles Only” parking is reserved for vehicles owned by the University. Personal vehicles of employees or students, even with a valid University parking permit, are not permitted to park in these spaces.

- Visitor parking areas are reserved for visitors only (non-University registered vehicles). Vehicles with valid or expired University parking permits are not permitted to park in these spaces.

- Vehicles unattended for an extended period of time will be classified as abandoned and will be towed and stored at the owner's expense. Vehicles unclaimed after 90 days will be disposed of.

- Drop-offs and pick-ups should be limited to 15 minutes and vehicle four-way flashers should be used.

- Parking off of Elm Drive is restricted except in special circumstances. Requests to park off of Elm Drive between the two Public Safety kiosks must be made in writing to Transportation & Parking Services. Telephone requests will not be accepted. Requests will be answered within two business days from receipt of the request.

VII. Parking Enforcement, Violations, and Citations

Princeton University reserves the right to ticket, tow, or boot vehicles parked in University property in violation of parking policy. All citations and expenses related to violations including the towing or booting of vehicles are the responsibility of the person who has registered the vehicle with Princeton University, regardless if they are the driver or owner of the vehicle. Students, faculty, and staff are responsible for violations incurred by their guests. For non-University registered vehicles, the vehicle owner is responsible for all violations and citations. More information on parking citations can be found online at www.princeton.edu/parking/citations.html.

Frequent violations or disregard for University parking rules and regulations will result in the revocation of University parking privileges and access to campus.

Transportation & Parking Services and Princeton University are not responsible for damage, loss of property, or theft of vehicles parked on University property.

For more information about parking at Princeton University, visit www.princeton.edu/parking.

Extended Hours (September 7–30, 2010):

- Monday–Friday, 8 am–5 pm
- Monday–Friday, 8:30 am–4:30 pm
NOTICE You must park in your assigned lot and zone. Lots that are not assigned to you within your designated zone are available ONLY when your assigned lot is full. Zone and lot assignments may be found on the vehicle hangtag.