

Moped Parking Policy

Purpose

Parking and use of mopeds on campus is regulated to improve safety and reduce conflicts with pedestrian, moped, and other vehicular traffic.

Definitions

The following definitions are specific to the UW-Madison Campus and may vary from other city, county, or state definitions:

- **Mopeds:** motorized vehicles with two wheels tandem, an electric motor or gasoline engine with a combustion chamber of 50 cubic centimeters or less and have a Department of Transportation (DOT) issued moped plate.
- **Operator:** a person who drives or is in actual physical control of a moped.
- **Registered owner:** the person to whom the moped is registered as owner through the DOT.

Policy

- All mopeds must be operated in accordance with local, state, federal and UW-Madison campus regulations. Designated authorities may cite improperly operated or non-permitted mopeds.
- Moped permits are available only to faculty, staff and students with a valid UW Wiscard/UW Health/UW affiliate ID. Purchase a moped parking permit online at transportation.wisc.edu.
- One parking permit is issued per moped assignment. Individuals may only possess one moped permit.
- A moped permit is only valid in the designated moped lot or in lots signed as “all access”. If the designated moped lot is full, notify Transportation Services and park in the nearest “all access” moped lot.
- Moped parking permits must be visible from the front of the vehicle. Failure to properly affix the permit may result in a citation.
- Moped parking permits may not be transferred or sold.
- If customer has an annual base lot permit displayed on a moped in a visible and secure manner, the moped may park in a permit stall in their assigned lot.
- Mopeds must be registered to the current owner and display a valid license plate to park on campus. Mopeds not displaying a current and valid license plate may be cited and towed. Citations issued to illegally parked mopeds are the responsibility of the registered owner of the vehicle.
- Following a snow event: if a moped lot has yet to be cleared/plowed, permit holders may park on top of the snow or relocate to the nearest “all access” lot.
- Moped parking is allowed in timed parking stalls (pay-by-cell “meters”) but the vehicle must be in paid status during the lot’s hours of control. Only one moped allowed per timed parking stall.

Restrictions

- Mopeds are prohibited in the gated section of visitor garages and ramps.
- Mopeds may not park at or near bicycle racks or bicycle parking areas on the UW Campus.

- Mopeds may not be parked or locked to utility poles, trees, bollards, railings, sign posts or fences. Improperly parked or abandoned mopeds are subject to citing, towing or impounding by designated authorities.
- Moped permits are not valid in restricted areas, such as: fire lanes, reserved stalls, disabled stalls, disabled stall access aisles, loading zones, construction areas, sidewalks, driveways and grass areas. Unless otherwise noted, those parking with permits in restricted areas may be subject to citation or tow at the owner's expense.
- Mopeds may not be driven on a sidewalk, pedestrian walkway, pedestrian mall, service drive or wheelchair ramp unless the area is specifically designated for use by motorized vehicles by signs or pavement markings. Mopeds with an electric motor or gasoline engine may not be operated or parked on a bicycle path or lane.
- Mopeds may not be taken into or parked in buildings.
- Mopeds cannot be stored (parked for more than 72 hours) without authorization from UW Transportation Services except at moped parking areas assigned to and located next to University Residence Halls. Unauthorized vehicles may be cited or towed.
- Permit sales for designated moped parking lots assigned to and located next to UW residence halls will be restricted to residents holding valid UW Housing contracts and living in the adjacent residence hall. Persons holding UW Housing contracts will not be able to select moped lots other than the single lot assigned to and located next to their address.
- Residential moped lots (as defined above) are controlled from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- Transportation Services has the right to reserve lots/ramps for event parking on campus. Parking may be sold in advance or at the lot entrance on a first come basis. Lots restricted for an event will be posted at the lot entrance and/or at transportation.wisc.edu.
- Refunds will not be issued for lost/stolen moped parking permits. A replacement permit may be purchased at the pro-rated replacement cost.
- The permit holder is responsible for returning their permit, along with the cancellation form, to notify Transportation Services when employment is terminated and/or the annual parking assignment is no longer needed. The permit holder will be charged for each day the permit is assigned to them. Refunds or payroll deduction cancellations will not be processed until the permit is returned to Transportation Services.
- Vehicles using altered or counterfeit permits are subject to ticket and tow.
- All citations and other unpaid fees due to UW Transportation Services must be paid prior to applying or accepting an annual permit assignment.
- Failure to follow UW Transportation Services policies may result in revoked parking privileges.

Related References

- Citation Policy
- Motorcycle Permit Policy
- UW Police Webpage www.uwpd.wisc.edu

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	<p>5/2006 – Remove restriction limiting mopeds to moped stalls only.</p> <p>3/2007 – Require payment of all fees & citations prior to applying for or accepting parking.</p> <p>3/2010 – Removed FedEx mailing option for permit.</p> <p>5/2012 – Designated moped lots; limit 2 mopeds per metered stall</p> <p>10/2013 – Policy update for permit distribution</p> <p>08/2016 – Policy update for dorm residency</p> <p>3/2018 – Remove d all motor scooter language; added expanded residential hall lot hours of control and a snow relocation clause; updated restrictions; mopeds only available to UW affiliates; parking allowed in timed stalls if in paid status – one moped per stall</p>
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