TRAFFIC AND PARKING REGULATIONS
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I. Introduction

These regulations are established by Texas Tech University in order to facilitate the safe and orderly conduct of business and to provide registered vehicles parking space as conveniently as possible within the limits of space available. Operating a motor vehicle on campus is a privilege and is conditioned, in part, on complying with these rules and regulations.

II. Applicability of State General and Criminal Laws

Article 51.201 of the Texas Education Code provides that: “All the general and criminal laws of the state are declared to be in full force and effect within the areas under the control and jurisdiction of the state institutions of higher education of this state.”

III. Authority of Board of Regents to Make Rules and Regulations

Article 51.202 of the Texas Education Code provides as follows:

“Rules and Regulations: Penalty—
A. The governing board or each state institution of higher education, including public junior colleges, may promulgate rules and regulations for the safety and welfare of students, employees, and property, and other rules and regulations it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter and the governance of the institution, providing for the operation and parking of vehicles on the grounds, streets, drives, alleys, and any other institutional property under its control including, but not limited to, the following:
1. limiting the rate of speed;
2. assigning parking spaces and designated parking areas and their use and assessing a charge for parking;
3. prohibiting parking as it deems necessary;
4. removing vehicles parked in violation of institutional rules and regulations or law at the expense of the violator; and,
5. instituting a system of registration for vehicle identification, including a reasonable charge.

B. A person who violates any provision of this subchapter or any rule or regulation promulgated under the authority of this subchapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is punishable by a fine of not more than $200.”

IV. Effective Dates

The following are the regulations that apply to the University, including fee and refund schedules, and are effective May 18, 2015, through the end of the week following Graduation in the following Spring Semester.

V. General Regulations for Traffic and Parking

A. Texas Tech is committed to the principle that in no aspect of its programs shall there be differences in the treatment of persons because of race, creed, national origin, age, sex, or disability, and that equal opportunity and access to facilities shall be available to all.

B. Due to the diverse nature of operations between the University and the Health Sciences Center campuses, it is necessary to have certain regulations that pertain to the specific institution; these are submitted separately by each institution. Following are the regulations that apply to Texas Tech University as defined in C.1 below.
C. Definitions
1. The campus is defined as all lands owned, managed, or otherwise controlled by the University, herein called “Texas Tech”.
2. Impoundment refers to the actual towing of a vehicle or immobilizing a vehicle by means of an “Auto-Boot”.
3. A visitor is an individual with no official connection with Texas Tech as a student, faculty member, or staff member.
4. A valid parking space is defined as an area designated on three sides by lines and/or posts, curbs, or other types of barriers for the explicit purpose of parking a motor vehicle.
5. A shared-use path is a pathway created and signed for the simultaneous use of pedestrians and bicycle traffic.
6. A decal is a physical permit issued for display on the vehicle. This can include stickers, hang tags, passes and receipts.
7. An ePermit is an authorization given to an individual at the time of vehicle registration allowing them to park the registered vehicle in a designated lot, zone or space.
8. Safe means free of hazard.
9. Hazard means a condition or circumstance involving the chance of injury or death.
10. Pedestrian means a person whose mode of transit is ambulation or who is defined as a pedestrian under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Examples include a person walking or using a wheelchair, self-propelled wheelchair or handicap scooter. A service animal, as distinguished from a work animal or pet, employed by a person with a disability, is granted the status of pedestrian for the purpose of these rules and regulations.
11. Operator means a person who is not a pedestrian, as defined above, and who operates a non-pedestrian device or vehicle.
12. Non-pedestrian device is any device, apparatus or contrivance operated as a means of transit and propelled solely by human power. Examples include bicycle, tricycle, pedal cart, velocipede, roller skate, in-line skate, skateboard and scooter.
13. Vehicle means any device, apparatus or contrivance operated as a means of transit and propelled by means other than human power. Examples include a car, truck, motorcycle, electric cart, tractor, riding mower, forklift and motorized scooter. For the purposes of these rules and regulations, a work animal used for transit, as distinguished from a service animal, is classified as a vehicle and is subject to the requirements thereof, which as by their nature apply to an animal, including proper display of permits.

D. Texas Tech makes every effort to provide protection for vehicles parking on campus, but cannot assume responsibility for any loss.

E. The person to whom a vehicle is registered with Texas Tech is responsible for all violations of the parking rules and regulations. If a vehicle is not registered with Texas Tech, and a family member is a currently enrolled student, it shall be presumed that the student is the operator of the vehicle and is responsible for all violations of the parking rules and therefore subject to all Texas Tech traffic rules, policies, and penalties associated with monetary obligations owing Texas Tech.

F. Pedestrians in crosswalks will be given the right-of-way at all times.

G. Speed limits on campus are RADAR and/or LIDAR enforced.

H. No person shall drive, cause or permit a vehicle to be driven on Texas Tech property at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the circumstances then existing, but any speed in excess of the posted limits shall be prima facie evidence that the speed is not reasonable and prudent and that it is unlawful:

**Speed Limits**
9. Campus Streets: Twenty miles per hour, unless otherwise posted.
10. Parking Lots: Ten miles per hour, unless otherwise posted.
11. Parking Garages: Five miles per hour, unless otherwise posted.
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I. Texas Tech Police Officers are duly commissioned peace officers of the state of Texas. Upon request of a police officer of Texas Tech, any person on the campus is required to identify himself with proper identification.

J. All thefts, accidents, or other offenses that occur on campus should be reported to the Texas Tech Police Department immediately. Accidents should be reported immediately. In accordance with State Law, vehicles involved in an accident should be moved prior to reporting the accident if they are moveable. One-vehicle accidents and inoperable vehicles must also be promptly reported. Keys or valuables should not be left in a motor vehicle. KEEP YOUR VEHICLE LOCKED AT ALL TIMES.

K. Texas Tech is concerned about the protection of persons and property and places a high priority on striving to maintain a safe environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. The University cannot, however, guarantee the absolute safety of any one individual. Personal safety must begin with individual responsibility. With that thought in mind, a Personal Safety brochure has been prepared which contains personal safety recommendations, crime statistics, safety services and programs, as well as a list of telephone numbers to contact for help. All visitors and members of the campus community are encouraged to make themselves familiar with this information. The Personal Safety brochure is available at various locations on campus including the Personnel Office, the Texas Tech Police Department, the Center for Campus Life, and the residence halls.

L. Chapter 46, Section 46.03, Texas Penal Code, provides that a person commits a felony offense if the person carries a firearm, illegal knife, club, or other prohibited weapon listed in Section 46.05(a) on the physical premises of an educational institution.

M. Inoperable, damaged, or dismantled vehicles are to be reported to the Transportation & Parking Services office as soon as possible. Operators should identify their problem immediately and follow the instructions given by Transportation & Parking Services personnel.

N. The campus is restricted for use as described in these regulations. Any vehicle in violation of the regulations or not having a valid Texas Tech parking decal properly displayed or a valid ePermit registration as directed herein may be issued a campus citation.

O. These regulations apply to all persons who operate vehicles on Texas Tech property.

P. The Chief of the Texas Tech Police Department, the Director of Accounting Services at the Health Sciences Centers (responsible for managing the parking function on that campus), and the Managing Director of Transportation & Parking Services on the University campus are responsible for the implementation and the just and proper enforcement of these regulations.

Q. The parking wheel stops and curbs located all over campus are six inches tall. Many newer and some older model vehicles have special ground effects attachments, air dams, fog/driving lights, or other attachments that reduce ground clearance under the vehicle. Driving such vehicles over the parking wheel stop or curb may cause damage to these vehicles. Drivers are urged to use caution when parking vehicles to avoid damage. Texas Tech University System assumes no responsibility in such cases.

VI. Vehicle Registration and Parking Decals/ePermits

A. In order to operate or benefit from the use of a motor vehicle on campus, each member of the Texas Tech community must obtain, in his or her name, a vehicle parking decal or ePermit. That decal or ePermit must be displayed or registered as directed below. No person may register a motor vehicle in his or her name which belongs to another student, faculty, or staff member. Violation of the Traffic and Parking Regulations is prohibited by the Student Affairs Handbook and Texas Tech policy. To benefit from the use of parking spaces designed for persons with disabilities, an eligible faculty/staff member or student MUST display a state issued placard or license plate as well as a Texas Tech disability.
parking decal.

B. Any person giving false information when registering a vehicle is subject to appropriate disciplinary action and revocation of their motor vehicle parking decal/ePermit and related parking privileges.

C. Access to the interior portion of the campus during the hours of 7:30am to 5:30pm, Monday thru Friday, is restricted to motor vehicles with reserved space, area reserved, vendor and visitor ePermits. ALL OTHERS MUST STOP AT THE ENTRY STATION FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. The interior portion of the campus is that area controlled by entry stations.

D. Student Vehicle Registration
   1. Students are required to register each motor vehicle to be operated on campus at the time they register for school or at the time they commence operating a motor vehicle on campus.
   2. Due to the demand for parking on campus, students are limited to one vehicle and/or one motorcycle parking ePermit.

E. Faculty and Staff Vehicle Registration
   1. Faculty and staff are required to register their motor vehicles on or before the date they commence operating a motor vehicle on campus. Faculty and staff who share a motor vehicle where one is employed at the University and the other at the Health Sciences Center, must register at each campus if they intend to park at both campuses.
   2. Faculty and staff, whose dependents are students, may allow those dependents to register a commonly operated motor vehicle for a student parking ePermit in addition to the employee’s parking ePermit. If the faculty or staff member has two motor vehicles registered, and if both motor vehicles are on campus at the same time, the motor vehicle with the student ePermit must be parked in the designated student parking area and not in either the faculty or staff member’s reserved space, zone or lot or in the time limit areas on campus.
   3. Upon termination of employment with Texas Tech, an employee’s parking privileges are revoked. If the ePermit is cancelled and decal (if any) is returned to Transportation & Parking Services, the refund in effect at the time it is returned will be issued.

F. Types of Parking Permissions
   1. Traffic and parking control on the Texas Tech campus is accomplished by issuing parking ePermits or decals for specific lots, zones or spaces. Parking privileges are associated with decals (disability and some metered parking) or license plates (employee reserved and area reserved, contractor/vendor, visitor, commuter, residence hall, and metered parking). Parking privileges are issued at the discretion of Texas Tech University and may be recalled at any time.
      a. Decals
         i. Types of Decals
            (a) Non-transferable Decals
                Non-transferable decals must be permanently affixed to the front windshield in the lower corner of the driver's side. All such decals are self-adhering and application in any other manner may subject the motor vehicle to ticketing. Vehicle registration is not complete until the decal is properly and completely affixed to the motor vehicle of record.
            (b) Pay and Display Metered Parking
                In those lots controlled by meter, individuals must pay the adjacent meter. If payment is made with bills or coins, the receipt must be displayed on the dash of the vehicle with the expiration date or time visible. If payment is made with credit card by phone, the vehicle license plate number will be required during the registration process and will be used for monitoring the lot.
         ii. All ePermits and decals are for the exclusive use of the registrant. ePermits and decals may not be sold, exchanged, given away or purchased from any person or agency other than Texas Tech University.
         iii. All outdated Texas Tech registration decals must be removed from the motor vehicle(s)
prior to installation of the current decal.

iv. Lost or stolen decals should be reported as soon as possible to the Texas Tech Police Department or Transportation & Parking Services. The recovery of a lost or stolen decal must be reported immediately to the Texas Tech Police Department or Transportation & Parking Services.

v. Replacement Decals

(b) Replacement for a non-transferable decal will be issued when identifiable remnants or proof of loss or destruction of the permit are provided. The replacement fee indicated in the current fee schedule will be charged for each replacement decal.

b. ePermits

Certain parking permissions do not require that a decal be displayed. In those instances, the ePermit is associated with the license plate registered.

i. Vehicles must be parked so that the license plate is visible from the driving aisle.

ii. The license plate must be securely fastened to the exterior side of the vehicle facing the driving aisle in a horizontal, upright position of not less than 12 inches from the ground.

iii. Removable tow hitches must be removed and stored when not in use.

iv. No covers may be placed over the license plate that would inhibit the reflectivity of the plate.

v. The alphanumeric characters of the license plate must be visible and unobstructed by license plate frames or other accessories.

vi. Persons with parking ePermits must ensure their current vehicle is registered and associated with their ePermit. This process can be accomplished at the Transportation & Parking Services website or office.

vii. Persons who hold reserved space or area reserved registration ePermits may register up to three vehicles on their ePermit. Multiple vehicles on the same ePermit do not allow for more than one motor vehicle to be on campus during the reserved period.

viii. Visitor ePermits

Visitor ePermits are provided to individuals who qualify as a visitor as previously defined in these regulations. Vehicles with visitor ePermits may utilize any visitor space on campus for the date(s) specified. In lots where multi-space meters are present, the meter fee must also be paid.

2. Residence Hall Parking

Residence hall lots are reserved for respective residence hall parking ePermit 24 hours daily when school is in session, unless otherwise posted. From 5:30pm Friday until 7:30am Monday, parking in any residence hall zone requires a valid TTU residence hall ePermit (or commuter ePermit if the holder lives in the residence halls).

a. Decals will not be issued for residence halls parking lots. Parking ePermits for residence hall parking will be associated with the registered vehicle's license plate.

b. The holder of a residence hall parking ePermit should use the commuter lots when space is not available in the residence hall parking lot.

c. Motor vehicles which cannot be accommodated in the residence halls lot will be assigned to the commuter lots until the residence hall lot has available space. Oversized vehicles which cannot park in residence hall lots without impeding the flow of traffic or affecting the ability of vehicles to park near them will be assigned to the commuter lots as determined by the Managing Director of Transportation & Parking Services.

d. A student changing residence halls or moving off campus must change his parking ePermit at the Transportation & Parking Services website or office.

e. Residence hall parking ePermits are issued to individuals and OWNERSHIP is not transferable. Use of a residence hall ePermit by anyone other than the individual to whom it was issued is not permitted. Violation of this regulation may result in ticketing, impoundment, and loss of all vehicle registration privileges on campus, including parking, for the academic year for all parties involved.

3. Commuter Parking

Commuter parking ePermits will be issued for motor vehicles belonging to students residing off campus or to employees who desire a less expensive alternative to reserved parking.

a. Decals will not be issued for commuter parking lots. Parking ePermits for commuter parking
will be associated with the registered vehicle's license plate.

b. Commuter parking ePermits are issued to individuals and OWNERSHIP is not transferable. Use of a commuter parking ePermit by anyone other than the individual to whom it was issued is not permitted. Violation of this regulation may result in ticketing, impoundment, and loss of all vehicle registration privileges on campus, including parking, for the academic year for all parties involved.

c. There are three classes of commuter parking:
   i. Commuter North (Red Lot) includes the C1, C2 and C4 lots and a portion of the C3 lot.
      (a) In addition to these lots, this ePermit is also honored in satellite parking and certain designated commuter areas at the Health Sciences Center.
      (b) Red Lot ePermits may also park in any west commuter lot after 2:30P.M.
      (c) When not in use for programs and events, the C1 lot, which is leased from the City of Lubbock, will be available with the exception of the area directly south of the Auditorium and north of the Coliseum which is marked as reserved for the Auditorium/Coliseum.
      (d) Commuter parking east of Jones Stadium in the C2 lot excludes areas marked as reserved or visitor parking
      (e) On days of home football games, parking lots in the vicinity of Jones SBC Stadium are reserved for game day parking decal holders. VEHICLES PARKED IN THESE LOTS NOT DISPLAYING A VALID GAMEDAY FOOTBALL PARKING DECAL MAY BE TOWED AT THE VIOLATOR’S EXPENSE.
      (f) On days of home baseball games, the C3 lot west of Dan Law Field is reserved for game day baseball parking decal holders. VEHICLES PARKED IN THESE LOTS NOT DISPLAYING A VALID GAMEDAY BASEBALL PARKING DECAL MAY BE TOWED AT THE VIOLATOR’S EXPENSE.
   ii. Commuter West (Blue Lot) includes the C10, C11, C12, C13, C14, C15, C16 and C17 lots located north and west of the United Spirit Arena.
      (a) In addition to these lots, this ePermit is also honored in satellite parking and certain designated commuter areas at the Health Sciences Center.
      (b) Blue Lot ePermits may park in any north commuter lot after 2:30P.M.
      (c) Parking in certain commuter lots adjacent to the United Spirit Arena is prohibited on days of home basketball games beginning four hours prior to game time (this includes lots west of Indiana Avenue) as indicated by signage. This area is reserved for holders of special Athletics basketball parking decals. VEHICLES PARKED IN THESE LOTS NOT DISPLAYING A SPECIAL ATHLETICS BASKETBALL PARKING DECAL MAY BE TOWED AT THE VIOLATOR’S EXPENSE.
      (d) Certain lots designated by signage must be vacated by 5:30P.M. on Fridays before home football games. Typically, this includes the C13, C15 and a portion of the C16 lots. These areas are reserved for football game tailgate permit holders. VEHICLES PARKED IN THESE LOTS NOT DISPLAYING A SPECIAL ATHLETICS FOOTBALL PARKING DECAL MAY BE TOWED AT THE VIOLATOR’S EXPENSE.
      (e) Overnight parking in the C11 lot near the United Spirit Arena service ramp is not permitted. Individuals should carefully observe signage in the lot if parking overnight.
   iii. Commuter Satellite (Green Lot) includes the S1 and S2 lots located at 10th Street and Texas Tech Parkway and at the International Cultural Center.
      (a) Off-campus students who cannot be accommodated in the north or west commuter parking lots will be assigned to the satellite lots until the commuter lots have available space. Satellite ePermits will be honored in the other commuter lots after 2:30P.M.
   d. Only HSC commuter students may register their vehicles at the HSC Traffic and Parking Office. Those students who have a TTU parking ePermit and need to park at TTUHSC may obtain a designator tab at the Transportation & Parking Services office. The designator will alert TTUHSC parking personnel that the individual has a parking ePermit.

4. Reserved Space Parking
   a. Reserved parking spaces are assigned to faculty and staff as space is available. Any space remaining after the needs of the faculty and staff are met will be available for assignment to part-time instructors, graduate teaching assistants, and graduate research assistants who hold
contracts for one-half time or more. Such assignments may be revoked as necessary to accommodate regular faculty and staff requirements. Reserved spaces are only available on a twelve-month basis.

b. Decals will not be issued for reserved spaces. Parking ePermits for reserved space parking will be associated with the registered vehicle's license plate(s). The space is reserved from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, unless otherwise indicated. Additionally, in certain designated faculty/staff reserved lots, a limited number of parking spaces are reserved after these hours until 11:00 P.M. for use by any reserved space or area reserved ePermit holder.

c. Certain residence hall staff living in the residence halls may be assigned spaces that are reserved 24 hours daily.

d. If it is necessary to displace the registrant of a reserved space to an area reserved space for two weeks or more, a partial refund may be issued. (The refund will be equal to the difference between a reserved space and an area reserved space for the affected time period.)

5. Area Reserved Parking
Area reserved parking spaces are available to qualified faculty and staff, as set forth above, in certain designated parking lots. Decals will not be issued for area reserved lots. Parking ePermits for area reserved parking will be associated with the registered vehicle's license plate(s). Motorcycle areas will not be provided in all area reserved lots; however, motorcycles will be allowed to park in these lots with the proper ePermit. Area reserved ePermit holders should overflow to commuter lots or as instructed by entry station personnel if all available area reserved spaces in their assigned lot are taken. Area reserved parking is reserved from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, unless otherwise indicated. Faculty and staff with reserved permissions may park in commuter lots but not residence hall lots, including summer sessions.

6. Green Vehicle Parking
Green vehicle parking is available in some area reserved parking locations. To utilize green vehicle parking, permit holders must obtain a "green vehicle certification" in addition to an ePermit for the desired parking area. In order to be certified as green, a vehicle must meet current American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy Green Book requirements or be a part of an active carpool. Vehicles parked in green parking spaces must have a current ePermit for the lot plus a certified green vehicle permission. Green vehicle parking is reserved the same hours as other spaces in the lot. Green parking reserved hours are indicated by signage. If all green vehicle parking is taken in the lot, permit holders with green parking permissions may park in their regularly assigned spaces.

7. Garage Parking
Spaces are provided in the Flint Ave. Parking Facility for faculty, staff and students. Both reserved and area reserved ePermits are provided for faculty and staff on a limited basis. A limited number of student ePermits are available on a first-come first-served basis. All ePermits will be issued according to the guidelines set forth above. Garage reserved and area reserved parking is reserved 24 hours daily when class is in session, unless otherwise indicated. Oversized vehicles which cannot park in the garage without impeding the flow of traffic or affecting the ability of vehicles to park near them will be assigned to other lots as determined by the Managing Director of Transportation & Parking Services.

8. Disability Parking
Persons with disabilities may be issued disability access parking permissions designed to assist them in campus mobility. Parking in spaces reserved for persons with disabilities requires the correct TTU decal and the appropriate state-issued placard or license plate. General rules for vehicle registration still apply; refer to Section VI.E.1 in the main section of the Regulations. Vehicles displaying valid TTU disability decals must park in designated disability spaces. If all disability spaces in a lot are taken, the vehicle may be parked only in the following areas, which are listed in priority order:

   c. Visitor space
   d. Time limit space
   e. Area Reserved space

9. Motorcycle Parking
   c. Motorcycle ePermits allow parking of motorcycles or mopeds in designated two-wheel areas.
Decals will not be issued for motorcycle parking areas. Parking permissions for motorcycle parking will be associated with the registered vehicle's license plate. Motorcycles are not permitted on the interior of the campus unless registered by a faculty or staff member who parks in a reserved or area reserved parking space. Mopeds and motorcycles may not park in bicycle racks.

d. Motorcycles and mopeds must be parked in areas designated for parking of such vehicles. Motorcycles and mopeds are not permitted to park in time limit areas unless they have a current reserved or area reserved ePermit.

e. Scooters that are not required by state law to obtain vehicle registration and inspection are not required to obtain a parking ePermit and are not allowed to park in motorcycle or vehicle parking spaces. Individuals operating such scooters on campus must adhere to the regulations pertaining to bicycles.

10. Summer School Parking

c. Summer school ePermits are issued following the same guidelines previously defined for commuter parking.

d. Drivers who have a valid summer school parking ePermit may utilize residence hall and commuter parking lots.

G. Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Permits

1. Persons who hold Health Sciences Center registration decals and are assigned to that campus’ Reserved or Area Reserved spaces may also park on the University campus in Visitor, Time Limit and Park and Pay spaces. TTUHSC employees must ensure their current vehicle registration information is on file with the TTUHSC Parking Services office. Enforcement of TTUHSC parking on campus will be done by license plate and a citation may be issued if the vehicle is not properly registered. University Reserved and Area Reserved ePermits will be honored in Health Sciences Center Patient and Visitor parking spaces. Parking is restricted to use in the individual’s capacity as an employee which does not include attending class as a student. Use of Health Sciences Center decals by University employees is not allowed.

2. Persons who hold Health Sciences Center registration decals and are assigned to that campus’ student parking may also park on the University campus in any commuter lot. TTUHSC students must ensure their current vehicle registration information is on file with the TTUHSC Parking Services office. Enforcement of TTUHSC parking on campus will be done by license plate and a citation may be issued if the vehicle is not properly registered.

3. Persons who hold University commuter and residence hall ePermits may also park in Health Sciences Center student parking. The TTUHSC student parking is controlled with a decal rather than license plate. A decal is available in the Transportation & Parking Services office for University parking ePermit holders who also need to park at the TTUHSC. This decal is available at no additional cost.

H. Metered Parking

Certain lots are controlled by parking permissions until 8:00 P.M.; for those who don’t already have a parking permission, an hourly ePermit is available at an adjacent pay station. Other TTU parking permissions are not honored in these areas prior to 5:30 P.M. Signage should be carefully observed, as some spaces remain reserved after 5:30 P.M. Park and Pay spaces will be managed according to TTU OP78.06.

I. Visitor and Time Limit Parking

1. Visitors are welcome to the campus and special parking areas are set aside for them. Visitor ePermits are required throughout the University campus during the hours of 7:30 A.M. to 8:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, excluding University holidays. Visitor permissions may be obtained at any entry station.

a. Visitors’ motor vehicles parked in areas not designated for visitor parking are subject to receiving a campus citation and being impounded at the owner's expense.

b. Use of outdated or altered visitor ePermit is prohibited.

c. There are charges for parking in visitor areas. Notification will be posted at the entrances to these lots. The fee for parking in these lots can be found in the current Parking Fees and
Refunds Schedule.

d. Departments wishing to purchase parking for visitors to campus may do so by contacting the Manager of Event and Guest Relations at Transportation & Parking Services to obtain a prepaid parking decals or ePermits.

2. Designated time limit parking areas are enforced from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, unless otherwise posted.

J. Service and Vendor Vehicle Parking

It is recognized that university and contractor/vendor vehicles are required to transport personnel and materials to work sites on the campus. While it is not the intent of these regulations to hinder workers in the performance of their duties, property damage and unsafe conditions frequently occur on campus as a result of drivers ignoring parking regulations. Service and contractor/vendor motor vehicles found to be blocking a street or creating a hazard may be cited and impounded.

1. Service Vehicle Parking

   a. Small utility vehicles operated on campus must comply with University OP 80.07 “Vehicle Fleet Management Program”. Designated service vehicle parking areas are enforced 24 hours, daily, unless otherwise posted.

   b. Movement of heavy equipment and supplies to buildings will be accomplished from the street or service drive, if possible. If not possible, the individual responsible for moving, loading, hauling, etc., will contact the Grounds Maintenance Department to obtain routing information to ensure protection of lawns, sidewalks, bricked areas, ramps, sprinkler systems, etc.

   c. Parking partially in the street and partially on a walk/curb is prohibited. Vehicles will be parked parallel and adjacent to the curb if street parking is necessary.

   d. Damage resulting from vehicles traversing lawns, sidewalks, bricked areas, etc., will be repaired by Grounds Maintenance. All repair costs will be charged to the university department or vendor/contractor responsible for such damage if circumstances warrant.

   e. Blocking doorways, sidewalks, disability access, and fire lanes is prohibited.

   f. University service vehicles may be parked only in the following areas, which are listed in priority order:

      i. Service area/drive (must be used if the building has one)

      ii. Time limit space

      iii. Visitor space

      iv. On-street where not bicycle lane is present (coordination with parking enforcement required)

2. Vendor Parking

Vendor vehicles and delivery vehicles will be directed to the appropriate service area or drive by entry station or parking enforcement personnel. Vendor vehicles may be parked only in the following areas which are listed in priority order (depending on the access granted by the parking ePermit):

   a. Service area or service drive MUST be used if the building has one.

   b. Time limit space

   c. Visitor space

   d. On-street parking where no bicycle lane is present.

3. Construction Contractor Parking

   a. Parking space for construction contractor vehicles will be designated by the Managing Director of Transportation & Parking Services or by the contracting department (i.e., Building Maintenance, Grounds Maintenance, etc.) on the University campus.

   b. Construction contractor vehicles will be registered and obtain an ePermit, issued by Transportation & Parking Services, on each vehicle which is parked on University property.

VII. Bus Service

The University provides a bus service to assist persons with their on-campus transportation needs. Bus service is provided Monday through Friday when school is in session. Limited service is available on the weekends. Buses are kneeling and lift-equipped to accommodate persons with disabilities. Additional information about hours of operation and routes is available in the Student Government Association office.
VIII. Use of Non-Pedestrian Devices

A. Skates and Skateboards

On the campus of Texas Tech (as defined in Section V.C.1 of these regulations):

1. No person may skate or use a skateboard
   a. on or in any University building, structure, stairway, elevated sidewalk, access ramp, step, retaining wall, handrail, mall, bench, fountain area or other architectural element;
   b. on or in planting areas, grass areas or seeded areas;
   c. on streets open for vehicular traffic;
   d. where prohibited by sign, by police officer, or where otherwise prohibited by law; or,
   e. in a manner that is incompatible with the flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

2. No person may use a skateboard in such a way that it is:
   a. not under the control of the user, or
   b. operated in an unsafe manner.

3. No person who is skating or using a skateboard may fail to yield the right-of-way to
   a. a pedestrian;
   b. a bicyclist;
   c. a motor vehicle; or
   d. a wheelchair or other device designed for the transport of persons with disabilities.

Pursuant to Section 51.202, Texas Education Code, a person who violates any provision of this regulation is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not more than $200.

B. Bicycles

1. Bicycles may be operated on campus only if such operation is safe and complies with established University policies and state laws.

2. Bicycles may only be parked in designated racks. Use of shrubs, trees, or any architectural structures to secure bicycles is prohibited. Bicycles are not permitted in Texas Tech academic or administrative buildings. Any bicycle found in violation of this subsection may be impounded. The normal impoundment fee is $40.00. THE IMPOUNDMENT FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE THE COST OF THE CITATION OR ANY APPLICABLE STORAGE FEES. (See Section IX)

3. Routes
   a. A walkway may only be used by pedestrians. Examples include a breezeway or any walkway that runs in front of the external door to any building.
   b. A traveled way may be used by pedestrians and bicycle operators. A traveled way is any way, area, or region, other than a campus street, where bicycles are permitted to be operated or parked. Examples include a campus sidewalk, parking lot, service drive and loading bay, unless designated otherwise. Note: While a parking garage is a traveled way, operation of a bicycle is prohibited in a parking garage, excluding officers of the Texas Tech Police Department and Transportation & Parking Services.
   c. A campus street may be used in a manner consistent with State law.
   d. Any sidewalk that runs parallel to a street with a designated bike lane may not be used by a bicycle operator. Operators must use the provided on-street bike lane or dismount their bicycle.

4. A person may operate a bicycle on a traveled way of campus if and only if all rules controlling such operation are observed. Traffic control devices, including designated areas, zones, signage and signals are part of the rules controlling operation of bicycles and must be observed. Certain areas of campus with high levels of pedestrian traffic are signed as dismount zones during specified time periods. Operation of a bicycle on these marked traveled ways is prohibited during the times posted.

5. Bicycle operators may use a traveled way or campus street only for the purpose of simple transit. Simple transit is defined as the minimum actions necessary to safely convey a person or goods
from one place to another via a transit route of the campus in a manner consistent with the regulations. Stunts, tricks, feats of skill, acrobatics and "extreme" sports activities are not simple transit and therefore are violations of the regulations.

6. A bicycle operator must immediately comply with any instruction relevant to the operation of a bicycle given by a police officer.

7. Right of Way
   a. Each operator shall yield the right of way to all emergency personnel.
   b. Each operator shall yield the right of way to any pedestrian.
   c. Each operator shall yield the right of way to any other operator of a bicycle as necessary to ensure safe, courteous transit.

8. A bicycle operator will bear to the right side of any traveled way as necessary to ensure safe, courteous transit unless preparing to turn left at an intersection.

9. The maximum speed at which a bicycle may be operated on a traveled way or campus street shall not exceed that which is reasonable and prudent for the conditions at the time or that which creates a hazard to any person or property. In no case shall that speed exceed 10 miles per hour on any traveled way or 20 miles per hour on any campus street. Note: 2.5 mph is approximately the speed of an average pedestrian walking under fair conditions.

10. Bicycle registration is encouraged and conducted free of charge at the Transportation & Parking Services website or office.

11. Any bicycle or locking device deemed abandoned at residence hall bike racks at the end of the spring semester or at any point during the year at other campus buildings may be considered abandoned and may be properly disposed of through established university procedures. A bicycle is considered abandoned when it has not been operated for 30 days. Abandonment impounds in residence hall bike parking areas are conducted once a year 30-45 days after the end of the spring semester and throughout the year at all other bike parking areas on campus.

IX. Enforcement, Violations, and Sanctions

A. Parking is governed by markers and traffic signs. Parking is permitted only in areas clearly identified for parking.

B. The absence of "No Parking" signs does not imply that parking is allowed. Street parking is prohibited except where signs indicate parking is permitted.

C. All curb ramps on campus are part of accessible routes for disabled persons. Blocking of any ramp is not permitted.

D. The following illegal parking acts may result in a citation being issued:

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16. Parking in a space or area designated for persons with disabilities without the proper insignia. 200.00
17. Blocking an access ramp or curb cut designed to aid persons with disabilities. 200.00
18. Display or use of a lost, stolen, forged, revoked, or altered decal or license plate. Such violation may result in the responsible party/parties being referred to the appropriate office for disciplinary action which may include loss of parking privileges for the remainder of the academic year. Up to 200.00
19. Other parking violations as defined on the face of the citation. 20.00
20. Failure to update license plate / transfer permission(s) 10.00
21. Failure to pay Pay Station. 20.00

**Impoundable Offenses**

E. In the state of Texas, motorcycles, mopeds, and bicycles are subject to the same rules and regulations as automobiles. Operators are subject to a moving violation, to be adjudicated in a court of competent jurisdiction as provided in the Texas Education Code, Article 51.208, for failing to comply with Texas Motor Vehicle Laws and these Regulations. Examples of the most common bicycle violations are:
1. Riding on walkways or other prohibited areas
2. Failing to stop at stop signs and red lights
3. Failing to yield right-of-way to pedestrians in crosswalks
4. Operating bicycle without proper lights and reflectors when required
5. Failing to drive on the right side of the roadway

The maximum fine for violation of these STATE LAWS is $200.00.

F. Moving Violations

1. All the general and criminal laws of the state are declared to be in full force and effect within the areas under the control and jurisdiction of the state institutions of higher education of this state, Article 51.201, Texas Education Code. All violations as set forth above may be adjudicated in a court of competent jurisdiction as provided in the Texas Education Code, Article 51.208.
2. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive, operate, push, park, or leave standing a motor vehicle on any area of the campus not designated for driving such a motor vehicle.
3. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive by, through or beyond a barricade or roadblock that is lawfully erected.
4. No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of any police officer vested by law with authority to direct, control, or regulate traffic.

G. Resolving Citations

Citations for parking violations may be resolved in one of the following ways:
1. Pay the stated fee for each citation. If payment is not received within ten (10) calendar days, an additional $5.00 charge will be assessed. Citation payment information can be found on the Transportation & Parking Services website at www.parking.ttu.edu.
2. Appeal the citation in writing, within ten (10) calendar days of the alleged violation, through the individual designated as the supervisor of parking appeals for University violations.
   a. The parking citation appeals process is intended to provide an objective process for the presentation of factual information regarding the receipt of a parking citation. There must be substantial and valid evidence that the parking violation was not committed, or that it occurred due to circumstances beyond the appellant’s control. Valid documentation of the evidence must be provided when the appeal is submitted. Reasons considered as frivolous and not valid as a basis for appeal include:
      i. Lack of knowledge of the regulations;
      ii. Other vehicles were parked improperly;
      iii. Only parked illegally for a short period of time;
      iv. Stated failure of parking officer to ticket previously for similar offenses;
      v. Late to class or appointment;
      vi. Inability to pay the amount of the fine;
      vii. No other place to park.
b. Citation appeals must be submitted online. Appeal information can be found at www.parking.ttu.edu. For those who do not have access to the internet, appeals terminals are available at Transportation & Parking Services.

c. For the first two appeals submitted during a permit year, the fine and late fee assessments against the appealed citation will be suspended until a ruling is made. Upon filing the third and subsequent appeals during a permit year, the fine indicated on the citation must be paid at the time of appeal. This becomes bond until a final ruling is made on the appeal. An appropriate refund will be issued when the citation is dismissed or reduced. If either of the first two appeals are upheld (citation dismissed), they will not be counted against the total number of appeals for the permit year.

d. The President shall provide equitable and efficient appeals processes through the establishment of Parking Violation Appeals Committees. Written appeals will be provided to the appropriate Appeals Committee when there is a significant dispute over facts or major extenuating circumstances.

e. A final appeals hearing may be provided should an individual wish to contest the findings of the Parking Violation Appeals Committee. The Hearings Officer will be appointed each year by the Law School Student Bar Association. Individuals appearing before the Hearings Officer must bring any supporting documentation and a copy of the current rules and regulations. The decision of the Hearings Officer is final and no further appeals will be provided.

3. After a period of ten (10) days from the date of issuance of the citation or from the date of final determination of an appealed citation, citations not resolved through Transportation & Parking Services will be overdue. Overdue citations may subject the permit holder’s motor vehicle(s) to impoundment and removal of the parking permit(s). Overdue citations may be applied to a student’s tuition statement if they remain unresolved or may result in restriction of subsequent academic registration and withholding of a student’s transcript until such time as the obligation is satisfied. Parking and these restricted services may be restored when all overdue citations have been resolved. At the discretion of Texas Tech, overdue citations may be adjudicated in a court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with Article 51.208 of the Texas Education Code.

H. Notice of violation for motor vehicles without permits and returned notices of violation will be sent to the address on file with the Texas Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles.

I. Six valid violations of the Traffic and Parking Regulations within the academic year or summer term may result in vehicle impoundment and/or revocation of the individual’s parking privileges for a period of 90 days. If, at the end of the 90 days the individual’s parking privileges are restored, a single violation of the Regulations may result in permanent revocation for the academic year or summer term.

1. All citations must be resolved before any parking privileges are restored.

2. The revocation period shall commence with the return of the registration decal(s) to Transportation & Parking Services and/or cancellation of the parking permission.

J. Impounding Vehicles

1. Vehicles belonging to individuals with ten or more valid violations of the Traffic and Parking Regulations are subject to impoundment on each subsequent violation, regardless of the type of violation.

2. Impoundment may be accomplished either by towing or through immobilization by use of an auto boot.

3. When a vehicle has been impounded it will be necessary for the operator of the vehicle to contact the Texas Tech parking dispatcher for release. Prior to the release of the impounded vehicle, satisfactory arrangements for payment shall be made.

   a. The impoundment fee for towed vehicles will be a $15 administrative fee plus the amount charged by the towing company. This amount may vary depending on the vehicle impounded and the current wrecker service contract. Current impoundment charges can be found at the Transportation & Parking Services office or website.

   b. The impoundment fee for booted vehicles will be $40.

   c. THE IMPOUNDMENT FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE THE COST OF THE CITATION.
d. Vehicles impounded will be charged storage at the rate of $6.00 per day, including tax, commencing 72 hours after impoundment.

e. The maximum storage fee to be charged is $130.00 per month, including tax.

4. If the owner or driver of a motor vehicle to be impounded arrives before impoundment has begun, the vehicle will not be impounded. If the owner or driver arrives after impoundment has begun, the vehicle will not be impounded if the driver opts to pay the tow truck driver the impoundment fee less the $15 administrative fee (payable in a manner acceptable to the towing company) in lieu of impoundment.

5. If a motor vehicle or bicycle is parked on Texas Tech property and is not moved for a period of 30 days, Texas Tech may deem the same to be abandoned. Abandoned motor vehicles or bicycles may be impounded and disposed of in the manner prescribed by law. This includes those motor vehicles which have a valid registration permit.

6. No personal property or vehicles (including boats, trailers, motor homes, etc.) shall be permitted to be stored or parked on the campus without permission from Transportation & Parking Services. Such property or vehicles are subject to impoundment.

7. A motor vehicle parked on Texas Tech property will be subject to impoundment if any of the following apply:
   a. It does not have attached to it an unexpired license plate and a valid vehicle inspection certificate as required by state in which it is registered.
   b. It is inoperable and has remained inoperable for more than 14 (fourteen) consecutive days.