

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT

Date: May 21, 2015

REGULATION TITLE:
Traffic/Parking Regulation and Enforcement

REGULATION NO.:
UCF-6.007

SUMMARY OF REGULATION AMENDMENT: This regulation is amended include language to clarify that the University has no responsibility for vehicles, and their contents, on campus. Additional minor changes are included throughout.

AUTHORITY: BOG Regulation 1.001

NAME OF PERSON WHO INITIATED PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT:
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COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDEMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation you are commenting on.

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FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT:

UCF-6.007 Traffic/Parking Regulation and Enforcement.

(1) General Information.

(a) Definitions.

1. The term “vehicle” shall include bicycles, motorcycles, automobiles, trucks, and other mobile equipment.
2. High Efficiency Vehicles: Vehicles which run on rechargeable batteries and gasoline engines combined or which use one or more electric motors or other non-

fossil fuel for momentum. Only these vehicles will be allowed to park in spaces that have signs and/or stenciling that state “Hybrid Vehicles Only” or “HEV Parking Only”. Only Electric Vehicles which require electricity for power may park in the parking spaces designated “Electric Vehicles Only”. Vehicles parked in these spaces must be in the charging mode. Valid UCF parking permits must be displayed.

3. Decals: Printed labels or hang tag permits issued by the university evidencing vehicle registration. For the purposes of this regulation, the words “decal” and “permit” are synonymous.
- (b) The University Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee serves as the principal advisory body to the president through the vice president for Administration and Finance, recommending policies and regulations that govern traffic and parking on the UCF campus. The committee shall consist of two (2) faculty members selected by the Faculty Senate Parking Advisory Committee; two (2) students appointed by the president of Student Government Association; two (2) staff members appointed by USPS Staff Council; one (1) Aadministrative and Pprofessional employee appointed by the vice president for Administration and Finance. The vice president for Administration and Finance will appoint one additional member to serve as chair. The term of service shall be one (1) year. The committee may elect a vice-chair to serve in the absence of the chair.
 - (c) The University Parking Citation Appeals Committee is composed of up to two faculty (2) members, four (4) students, two (2) university employees and one (1) chair. The University Parking Citation Appeals Committee has jurisdiction over violations of the university’s parking regulations. In those cases heard before it, this committee will render decisions adjudicating guilt and will impose appropriate monetary or restrictive penalties. The University Parking Citation Appeals Committee reports to the vice president for Aadministration and Ffinance.
 - (d) Applicability – The provisions of this regulation shall apply at all times to vehicles that are operated or parked on the UCF campus. The fines, penalties and other sanctions against persons in violation of the provisions of this regulation will be enforced as follows:

1. In the case of a vehicle registered with the Department of Parking and Transportation, the university shall assess fines for parking violations against the person in whose name the vehicle is registered with Parking and Transportation Services.
 2. In the case of a vehicle not so registered, assessments for parking violations shall be made against the operator if it is determined that the operator at the time of the violation is associated with the university and, in fact, should have registered the vehicle with the Department of Parking and Transportation.
 3. If a vehicle is not registered with the university and the operator is not associated with the university, fines will be assessed against the vehicle's state registration vehicle certificate holder.
- (e) Responsibility – Unless otherwise noted, the Department of Parking and Transportation is responsible for the implementation and enforcement of this regulation and for resolution of disputes with regard to the university's parking and traffic regulations.
- (f) Authorizations.
1. Operation of a motor vehicle upon the campus of UCF is a privilege granted by the university. All vehicles parked on the university campus must be currently registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles and display a valid license tag. UCF adheres to Florida State Statutes regarding vehicle registration expiration dates.
 2. The university is authorized and reserves the right to regulate the use of any of its vehicle parking facilities for the exclusive use of designated groups or individuals.
 3. Any individual possessing a valid driver's license may operate a properly registered motor vehicle on the UCF campus in accordance with the provisions of these regulations.
 4. UCF police officers, community service officers (CSO's) and parking patrollers are authorized to issue a university parking and traffic citation to any person or vehicle violating university parking and traffic regulations.

5. Vehicles are subject to immobilization or being towed from the campus, depending upon the need for such action, as set forth in these regulations.

6. UCF assumes no responsibility for vehicles, or their contents, parked on campus.

(2) Registration Regulations.

(a) All motor vehicles parked on the UCF campus must be registered with the Department of Parking and Transportation and have the appropriate parking permit properly displayed while parked on campus. This includes vehicles used by evening and special students.

Exceptions to this requirement are as follows:

1. Vehicles displaying “government” license plates.
2. Properly identified Government officials, such as FBI, ATF, US Customs, etc., who park on campus on official business, but whose vehicles are unmarked or do not bear “official” government-issued license plates, may be issued a parking permit free of charge, but for a period of no longer than one day per permit. These permits may be issued at either the Visitor and Parking Information Center or the Department of Parking and Transportation.
3. Construction personnel and contractors engaged in projects on campus may park within the designated fenced enclosure of the construction site without a UCF parking permit.
4. Visitors ~~need not register their vehicles but~~ shall comply with subparagraph (i)17 below.

(b) Registration of more than one automobile and one motorcycle is permissible by paying full price for each permanent decal. A hang tag permit transferable from automobile to automobile is also available; however hang tags cannot be transferred from an automobile to a motorcycle.

(c) The vehicle registration year begins September 1 and ends August 31 the following year. Each vehicle must be registered with permit properly displayed no later than the first day of classes of each semester.

(d) All individuals who register their vehicles at the university must register them online. Registrants may pay for their parking permits online with a credit card or pay for them in person at the Department of Parking and Transportation in Parking Garage B.

- (e) Decal Display – Issued decals, except hang tags, are to be permanently affixed to the registered vehicle. Decals must be affixed either to the left rear bumper or on the outside of the rear windshield of the driver’s side. Motorcycle decals must be affixed to the right front fork. Decals not affixed in accordance with instructions will result in a citation for improper display.
- (f) Hang tag permits must be displayed on the rear view mirror with the permit number and expiration date visible and legible from the exterior of the vehicle.
- (g) Registrants must register their own vehicle. The Department of Parking and Transportation must be notified of any change in ownership or license plate number.
- (h) Permanent decals are not transferable between individuals or vehicles. Upon sale or other disposal of a registered vehicle, the permanent decal must be destroyed unless the registrant wishes to purchase a replacement decal. If the registrant wishes to purchase a replacement decal, the registrant must remove the original decal from the disposed vehicle and return it (or sufficient fragments thereof, including the decal number) to the Department of Parking and Transportation as proof that the original decal is no longer in use.
- (i) Parking permits are sold or issued under the following guidelines:
 - 1. Only the university president, vice presidents, deans and others as approved by the University Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee are eligible to purchase “A” permits. An “A” permit authorizes parking in a 24-hour reserved space, as well as in any other legal parking space on campus that is not reserved for 24 hours daily use. Only a limited number of 24-hour reserved spaces are available.
 - 2. Except as provided otherwise above in subparagraph (i)1., faculty members, administration and professional (A & P) staff, and USPS employees in pay grade 24 and above must purchase “B” permits. “B” permits authorize parking in designated “B”, “C”, and “D” parking areas or in any unreserved parking garage on the campus. Adjunct faculty members may purchase either a “B”, “C”, or Daily Permit, but they must park in the type of facility designated by the permit they choose, or in any unreserved parking garage.

3. Except as provided otherwise above in subparagraph (i)2, full-time USPS staff are eligible to purchase only “C” permits. “C” permits authorize parking in designated “C” and “D” parking areas only, or in any unreserved parking garage on the campus. Persons who work on campus on a regular basis but are not university employees must purchase “C” permits only.
4. All non-student OPS employees may purchase “C” permits only and must park in designated “C” and “D” parking areas only or in any unreserved parking garage on the campus.
5. All students who do not live on campus may purchase only “D” permits. “D” permits authorize parking in designated “D” parking areas only or in any unreserved parking garage on the campus. Graduate Teaching Assistants, Graduate Research Assistants and all other student OPS employees must purchase only “D” permits.
6. All students, staff and faculty parking motorcycles, mopeds, or motor scooters on campus must purchase motorcycle (“MC”) permits. “MC” permits authorize parking in designated motorcycle spaces only.
7. Eligible non-UCF employees of the Central Florida Research Park may purchase only “C” permits. A “C” permit authorizes parking in designated “C” and “D” areas only as well as in any campus unreserved parking garage.
8. Residential students who reside in the Apollo, Libra, Nike, Hercules, and Neptune communities must purchase only “R” permits. “R” permits allow parking in all “D” and “R” designated parking areas and any unreserved parking garage, however, overnight and game day restrictions apply.
9. Residential students who reside in the Lake Claire community must purchase only “RL” permits. “RL” permits allow parking in all “D” and “RL” parking areas and any unreserved parking garage, however, overnight and game day restrictions apply.
10. Students who reside in the Towers at Knights Plaza must purchase only “KP” permits. “KP” permits allow parking in parking garage E or G and any designated “D” parking area and any unreserved parking garage; however, posted overnight and game day restrictions apply.

11. Students who are enrolled in the programs offered by the Center for Multilingual Multicultural Studies (CMMS) ~~must~~ may purchase only “DIT” permits. “DIT” permits allow parking in all designated “D” parking areas and any unreserved parking garage. “DIT” permits are valid on a specific vehicle and have a specified expiration date to concur with the program term dates as denoted by CMMS.
12. Employees and students at the Rosen campus must purchase “Rosen College” permits. A “Rosen College” permit authorizes parking only at the Rosen campus.
13. Employees of the Athletics Department, UCF Convocation Corporation (UCFCC), and the Arena, may be issued “F” permits. Approval to purchase an ‘F’ permit must be granted by a designee of the Athletics Department or UCFCC. An “F” permit authorizes parking in parking garage F or any other parking lot or unreserved parking garage that is equivalent to the permit they are issued. “F” permits may be red or blue.
14. Special guests of the university, including but not limited to fully retired UCF employees, eligible campus ministry personnel and State Auditors, shall be issued “G” permits, subject to the availability of such permits. A “G” permit authorizes parking in any legal parking space on campus other than those reserved twenty-four (24) hours a day. Requests for this permit shall be submitted to the Department of Parking and Transportation. Retirees who return to work in a full-time position with benefits are not eligible to receive a “G” permit.
15. Employees and students of the Health Sciences Campus must purchase an “M” permit of the appropriate classification (“BM”, “CM”, or “DM”). “M” permits allow parking at the Health Sciences Campus and the UCF main campus in “B”, “C”, or “D” lots as their permit designates.
16. Vendor permits are available to vendors who conduct business on the university campus and have a need to park close to buildings to load/unload materials. Vendor permits allow parking in all Service Vehicles Only spaces and any “C” or “D” parking lot or unreserved parking garage. University Departments located off campus may purchase vendor permits for short term, official business only. If heavy lifting of materials is not required, a staff hang tag may be purchased instead. Vendor permits are not intended to be used to provide convenient parking

or an alternative to purchasing a parking permit. Departments that purchase vendor permits are specifically prohibited from allowing students to use the permits to go to class. Departments in violation of this regulation will have their permit rescinded. Vendors who need a permit on an infrequent basis may purchase a daily permit that can be used as a vendor permit. In such cases vendors must inform ~~Visitor and Parking Information Center~~ Parking and Transportation Services personnel of their need for a vendor parking permit.

17. Visitors to the campus shall purchase a daily visitor's parking permit at the Visitors and Parking Information Center or the Department of Parking and Transportation. This permit is to be displayed on the vehicle as instructed and authorizes parking in student ("D") parking lots and unreserved parking garages unless otherwise directed by parking services personnel. Daily permits are valid from time of purchase until 11:59 p.m. of the date purchased. Visitors may also park in any metered parking space by paying the appropriate parking meter fee. Meters may be enforced 24 hours a day, unless otherwise posted.
18. Persons holding current, permanent state-issued disabled parking permits, disabled veteran or wheelchair license plates, or temporary state disabled parking permits are required to purchase a UCF parking permit of appropriate classification, i.e., "B," "C," or "D," or "Daily Visitor" to park on the campus.
 - a. Disabled persons with such appropriate permits may park in any available disabled parking space on the campus, including unreserved parking garages, except for those spaces that are restricted, such as designated 24-hour reserved or service parking spaces.
 - b. State-issued disabled parking permits or license plates and a valid UCF parking permit, or daily visitor permit must be properly displayed on the vehicles.
 - c. Vehicles bearing disabled permits may also park in any other unreserved parking space on the campus.
19. Temporary parking permits must be obtained when an unregistered substitute vehicle is being parked on campus. A temporary permit may be obtained at the Visitors and Parking Information Center or at the Department of Parking and

Transportation during business hours. A temporary permit for substitute vehicles is issued at no charge and allows the same parking privileges as does the permanent decal for which it substitutes. A temporary permit shall be issued for a maximum period of fourteen (14) days. A maximum of six (6) temporary permits may be issued to a vehicle in a single semester. Failure to obtain a temporary permit will result in a citation for no permit. A temporary permit shall be displayed on the vehicle rearview mirror facing forward.

20. Patients of UCF Health Services and UCF Counseling Center or Wellness and Health Promotion Services:

- a. Health Services: Both a valid UCF parking permit and Health Services parking pass must be properly displayed when parking in Health Services patient spaces. The Health Services pass must be obtained from the reception desk located in Health Services.
- b. Counseling Center: Both a valid UCF parking permit and Counseling Center parking pass must be properly displayed when parking in the Counseling Center patient spaces. The Counseling Center pass must be obtained from the reception desk located in the Counseling Center.
- c. Biofeedback Clients: Both a valid UCF parking permit and Biofeedback Center parking pass must be displayed when parking in the Biofeedback client spaces. The Biofeedback pass must be obtained from Wellness and Health Promotion Services.

21. Replacement permits:

- a. Replacement decals, including replacement for a stolen permit, shall be issued for \$15.00 for ~~an annual~~ a multi-semester permit and \$7.50 for a one semester permit provided the original permit is returned (even if in remnants) or proof of sale of the original vehicle is presented. Every effort should be made to keep the removed permit's number intact. If a permit is stolen, a police report must be filed and a stolen permit form signed before the replacement permit may be issued.
- b. When the original permit or sufficient remnants thereof, is not returned or proof of sale is not provided, the replacement fee shall be the full fee in

effect at the time of the replacement. The full fee also applies to permits to replace those that are reported lost.

(3) Parking Regulations.

- (a) The responsibility of locating a legal parking space rests with the motor vehicle operator. Lack of a convenient space shall not be considered as a valid excuse for violation of any parking regulation. The fact that a person parks or observes others parking in violation of any parking regulation without being cited does not mean that the regulation is not in effect.
- (b) Except as noted herein, all parking regulations apply twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week and parking areas are restricted to specific decal or decals as designated by posted signs or curb markings. However, between the hours of 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. any vehicle with a valid parking permit may use any “B” (Faculty), “C” (Staff) or “D” (Student) parking space except where otherwise specified by appropriate signs or markings. “A” (Reserved 24 hours), “Service Vehicle Only” parking spaces, and disabled parking spaces shall not be used at any time except by vehicles with decals or certification authorizing use of these specific spaces.
- (c) Metered parking is enforced twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Drivers of all vehicles using metered spaces are responsible for paying the posted meter fees.
- (d) The following parking practices are specifically prohibited:
 1. Parking on lawns, landscaped areas, sidewalks, or other areas not specifically designated by signs or curb markings as parking areas. The absence of a “No Parking” sign does not mean parking is permissible in an area.
 2. Double parking, parking any portion of a vehicle outside designated lines or beyond a post or other delineation device indicating a valid parking space or row.
 3. Blocking traffic, other parked vehicles, service areas or spaces, roadways, crosswalks, or wheelchair access aisles and ramps.
 4. Parking in an access lane. An access lane is any area that is not designated as a parking space and that provides an avenue for traffic flow.
 5. Except as noted in paragraphs (b) and (c) above, parking in any space designated for decals other than the one displayed on the vehicle.
 6. Parking in a metered space after the purchased amount of time has expired.

7. Unauthorized parking in 24-hour reserved "A" parking spaces.
8. Unauthorized parking in designated service areas.
9. Parking an unregistered vehicle without a valid parking permit anywhere on the UCF campus.
10. Failure to display parking permits properly: not permanently affixed, improperly placed, or not displayed on the vehicle for which purchased.
11. Failure to cancel registration or to destroy parking decal upon disposal of the registered vehicle.
12. Unauthorized or fraudulent use of a parking permit.
13. Parking a bicycle in a motor vehicle space, on disabled ramps, in areas designated by signs as no bicycle parking, on sidewalks or crosswalks, or in any way to impede ingress or egress of a building.
14. Parking a motorcycle in a motor vehicle space, or any space not designated as motorcycle parking.

(4) Disposition of Parking Citations.

- (a) Payments of non-contested parking citations must be received by the Department of Parking and Transportation within ten (10) working days from the date of citation issue. A late charge of \$10.00 shall be assessed each citation if payment is received after the ten (10) working day period. Payments shall be made by mail, in person, by telephone, online (at www.citationappeals.ucf.edu), or by deposit in campus fine collection boxes. Campus fine collection boxes are yellow and located throughout the campus.
- (b) Once a citation has been placed on the vehicle, Parking and Transportation personnel have no further responsibility of notification.
- (c) When an individual tenders more than forty-nine (49) pennies in payment of a fine, the Department of Parking and Transportation shall make suitable coin wrappers available and the individual paying a fine shall present the pennies wrapped in \$.50 increments before a fine payment in pennies is accepted.
- (d) Any person who alleges being unjustly ticketed shall appeal the citation online at www.citationappeals.ucf.edu within ten (10) working days from the date the citation was issued. The Director of the Department of Parking and Transportation or an authorized designee shall ~~delete~~ eliminate late charges or dismiss the citation altogether if it is

determined to have been issued in error. Appeals not sustained by the director or specified designee shall be heard by the Parking Citation Appeals Committee. Individuals requesting appeals shall be notified of their scheduled hearing date at the time his or her appeal is submitted online. A reminder of the notification will be emailed to the appellant prior to the scheduled appeal date. In addition, appellants shall be notified by email of the committee's decision subsequent to the appeal being heard. Fees assessed due to a vehicle's immobilization may not be appealed.

- (e) The decisions of the Parking Citation Appeals Committee shall be based upon the provisions set forth in this regulation and extenuating circumstances, if any, and are final and binding, except as set forth herein. A student may request a second level of appeal by submitting a written appeal with the Student Government Association's Judicial Council within ten (10) -business days upon receiving notification that the original appeal to the Parking Citation Appeals Committee was heard and denied; however, citations that have been appealed and assessed an administrative fee will not be accepted or granted and the administrative fee will apply. The Student Government Association is responsible for establishing the appeal procedure for this second level of appeal. The decision of the Judicial Council is final and binding and no further appeals shall be permitted. For purposes of this appeal process, "student" shall be defined to mean a person enrolled in classes at UCF as of the date of the parking citation.
- (f) The following reasons will not be accepted by the Judicial Council as grounds to dismiss or reduce a citation. This is not an all-inclusive list:
1. Disagreement with the traffic and parking regulations
 2. Ignorance of the regulation
 3. Stated inability to find a permitted parking space
 4. Operation of the vehicle by another person
 5. Tardiness to class and/or appointment
 6. Inability to pay fine (lack of money)
 7. Displayed expired permit
 8. Traffic congestion
 9. Stated perception that designated parking area is not safe
 10. To delay paying the fine for an appealed citation

11. Unsupported evidence of direction by any university official

(g) Students should consider the following when choosing to file an appeal with the Judicial Council:

1. Make sure the reason for the appeal is not one of those listed in subsection ~~4(f)~~ above.
2. The student must prepare a concise written and/or oral statement not to exceed five minutes.
3. The Judicial Council will contact the student within three (3) business days to schedule a hearing. The case will be scheduled within ten (10) business days upon the Judicial Council receiving notice of the appeal. If the student does not appear for the hearing in person before the Judicial Council, the original decision of the Parking Appeals Committee will be sustained. The Director of Parking and Transportation Services does not have the authority to overturn the decision of the Judicial Council.

(5) Vehicle Immobilization.

(a) Vehicles are subject to immobilization under the following circumstances:

1. The vehicle has accumulated three or more unpaid parking citations, or unpaid citations totaling \$200.00 or more in fines.
2. Possession of, using, or displaying a fraudulent/unauthorized parking permit. Violators may also be subject to referral to the Office of Student Conduct.
3. For law enforcement purposes, in which case an immobilization release fee ~~will~~ may not be charged.

(b) Cost of release from immobilization is \$50.00 and payment of all unpaid citations.

Citations issued up to time immobilization are not allowed to be appealed. Release is available from Parking Services personnel Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to ~~8:30~~9:00 p.m.

(6) Tow away – Vehicles are subject to being towed from campus at the owner's expense under the following circumstances:

- (a) The vehicle is parked in a hazardous manner, blocking traffic, roadways, crosswalks, sidewalks, disabled ramps, or creating a hazard such as leaking gasoline.
- (b) The vehicle is parked in a space reserved twenty-four (24) hours per day.

- (c) When arrangements to release an immobilized vehicle have not been made within forty-eight (48) hours of the original immobilization.
- (d) When the vehicle is abandoned on campus for any reason whatsoever for more than forty-eight (48) hours.
- (e) When immobilization is not appropriate due to vehicular construction.
- (f) When the vehicle owner has previously removed or attempted to remove an immobilization device without authorization.
- (g) When the vehicle is parked in a parking lot or garage during posted time restrictions.

(7) Revocation of Campus Parking Privileges – The Director of the Department of Parking and Transportation shall revoke the privilege of any person to park a vehicle on campus for a period of one year when it is determined that:

- (a) That person falsifies or willfully misrepresents vehicle registration information.
- (b) That person, whether the owner or operator, displays a fraudulent permit on a vehicle.
- (c) That person has accumulated six (6) or more parking citations during an academic year.

(8) Administrative Penalty for Non-Payment of Parking Citations – A student who is delinquent in the payment of parking citations shall not be permitted to register for class, drop or add classes, receive transcripts or diplomas until the debt has been satisfactorily resolved.

(9) Traffic Regulations.

- (a) Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law, Chapter 316, F.S., as well as Chapter 320 F.S., is in effect on campus at all times.
- (b) Campus speed limits are 10 mph in parking lots and parking garages and 30 mph on roads unless otherwise posted.
- (c) It is a violation to drive or park in an opposing direction than indicated by signs, flow of traffic or directional arrows. Back in parking is allowed unless prohibited by posted signage located at entrances to parking lots or garages.
- (d) Parking bicycles, scooters or vehicles on grass or on sidewalks not used as access areas is a violation. Conveyances used by disabled persons are exempt from this regulation.
- (e) State of Florida Uniform Traffic citations issued on campus by university police officers are referred to appropriate local government courts for disposition.

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