# PARKING SURVIVAL GUIDE



Clark College Security/Safety

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For information about parking at Clark College, contact

Clark College Security and Safety

Location: Security/Lost and Found Desk Gaiser Hall

Telephone: From campus phone: 2133 From outside phone: 360-992-2133

Security is here 24/7.

24 hours a day

7 days a week

365 days a year

## PARKING AT CLARK COLLEGE

This information is provided to help you understand the problems some motorists can encounter while attending Clark College. Although the College works continually to assess and improve the parking available to students and staff, there will occasionally be challenges to the commuter. Knowing how the system works is the best first step toward success.





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#### **OPEN PARKING**

The majority of available parking at Clark College is designated open parking. Open parking spaces are identified as marked (lined) spaces without any special labels. No permit is required to park in open parking. Students and other visitors to the College use open parking.

#### PERMIT PARKING

Some parking spaces have special designations and require a permit or other permission for use, as follows:

**Faculty/Staff Parking:** All faculty/staff parking areas are marked with a yellow F/S within the parking space. These parking areas are set aside for College employees with valid permits. All College employees who use College parking facilities must purchase a parking permit. Faculty/Staff parking permits are available through the Security/Safety Office.

**Student Carpool:** Some spaces are marked as Carpool parking. These spaces are available for students who have registered for the carpool program with Security. Two or more are required in order to qualify for the program. Students will be issued a Carpool permit which must be visible.

**Disabled person parking:** Only vehicles displaying a valid disabled person permit or license plate from Washington or another state, may park in disabled person parking areas. And may also park in faculty/staff, and meter spaces if disabled spaces are not available.

**Special use parking:** Some spaces on campus are designated and marked for special use, such as Dental Patient or Service Vehicle. These spaces can not be utilized without authorization.

**Pay to Park**: There are Pay-to-Park spaces located on campus. The spaces have marked designated time limits. This provides spaces to

those individuals who have short time parking needs on campus and are enforced Monday-Thursday 8am-5:30pm and Friday 8am-5pm.

## **Designated Parking Spaces**

Motorcycles, motor scooters and mopeds are to park only in marked motorcycle parking areas.

No vehicle shall occupy any portion of more than one space. If a vehicle cannot be parked completely inside the space, the driver should not attempt to use the space. It is not a valid defense to occupy more than one space because of the position of another vehicle.

#### PARKING VIOLATIONS

Campus Security Officers may issue citations for any violation of the following rules and regulations (WAC 132N-156-550):

- Parking in faculty/staff parking without a valid permit
- Parking in disabled person parking without a valid permit
- Illegal use of or failure to display permit
- Occupying more than one parking space
- Blocking vehicular or pedestrian traffic
- Parking in a space not designated for parking
- Parking in an area not authorized
- Parking in a No Parking zone
- Parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant
- Parking in a fire lane, sidewalk, or intracampus avenue
- Parking on the grass
- Parking overnight without permission
- Parking a disabled vehicle on campus in excess of 24 hours
- Use of a vehicle for habitation without permission
- Creating a safety hazard
- Parking a bicycle illegally

#### FINES AND UNPAID VIOLATIONS

All parking citations carry a \$40.00 fine, with the exception of disabled person parking violations, which carry a \$100.00 fine. Parking citations may be paid at the cashier's office in Gaiser Hall.

Two or more unpaid parking citations may result in one or more of the following actions taken by Security/Safety (WAC 132N-156-170):

- A hold placed on College transcripts
- Delay of registration for the next quarter
- Outstanding fines turned over to a collection agency
- Vehicle immobilization or impoundment

#### VEHICLE REMOVAL

Illegally parked vehicles which require removal will be towed at the owner's or operator's expense.

#### PARKING SURVIVAL SUGGESTIONS

- Arrive for classes early
- Once you've parked your vehicle, leave it parked; don't move from one class to the next with your vehicle
- Park your vehicle near your last class of the day
- Try to take classes later in the day; parking is at a premium in the mornings
- Do not leave valuables in your vehicle; take them with you or secure in the trunk prior to arriving on campus.

#### **ALTERNATIVES TO PARKING**

We appreciate your cooperation in using College parking wisely if you must drive. However, you may wish to consider the following alternatives: **Bicycling:** The College provides bicycle racks throughout campus for those who cycle to school. Bicycles are to be parked and secured in these racks only.

**Mass transit**: Clark College is served by several C-Tran bus routes. Students may purchase a student I.D. card with a bus pass on a quarterly basis which provides bus use in Clark County. Registered students are eligible for a one-time reduced cost bus pass. Lost or stolen replacements are available for the current full price.

Eligible employees may participate in the College's Commuter Trip Reduction Plan to receive a free bus pass.

Car or van pool: Carpool permits are issued at the Security department located in Gaiser Hall. There are parking spots in the Red 2 lot with signs designating carpool parking only.

- Registered for quarter requesting carpool permit Two or more students must register for program
- All carpool members must be present at time of registration & be current registered students.
- Student being issued carpool permit must have valid driver's license