Parking Regulations

The regulations that govern parking at the University of Pittsburgh are summarized in this brochure and are contained in their entirety in the University’s parking ordinance. The purposes of the ordinance are to provide orderly parking for University faculty, staff, and students; to protect pedestrians; and to ensure access to all buildings and parking areas for firefighting and other emergency equipment and personnel.

University’s parking regulations are in effect 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays, except as specifically noted. These regulations have been formulated in accordance with the City of Pittsburgh and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s motor vehicle codes, with input from the University’s parking and transportation committee.

The parking enforcement personnel of the Department of Parking, Transportation, and Services as well as the United States Postal Service enforce the University’s parking regulations. The University’s parking enforcement personnel have the authority to cite, tow, and/or immobilize vehicles that are in violation of parking-related regulations and offer tips that will make it easier for you to park on campus. 

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Parking Services

University of Pittsburgh
Parking Services Office
204 Brackenridge Hall
3505 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15260-4924
8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Monday-Thursday
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Friday
(15 minutes in a lot)
www.pts.pitt.edu

Parking Services Office
Phone: 412-624-4034
Fax: 412-624-2020
E-mail: parking@bc.pitt.edu

Special Events Parking
Phone: 412-364-4016
Fax: 412-624-0956
E-mail: events@bc.pitt.edu

Ticket Appeals
Phone: 412-624-8819
Fax: 412-624-0956
E-mail: parkappeals@bc.pitt.edu

The University of Pittsburgh reserves the right to change any or all of its parking regulations. The University assumes no responsibility for vehicles or the contents at any time.

University of Pittsburgh Police Department enforce the parking plan that best works for you. The guide serves as your road map for finding the campus parking facilities.

While you’re at the University of Pittsburgh, we can help you navigate the campus parking facilities. This guide serves as your road map for finding the campus parking facilities. This guide serves as your road map for finding the parking plan that best works for you.

Facility and Staff Parking at Pitt

University of Pittsburgh
Department of Parking, Transportation, and Services
Forbes Pavilion
3321 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15260-5119

Introduction

Located at 204 Brackenridge Hall, the Parking Services Office is the place for locating parking facilities, choosing a permit plan that matches your campus lifestyle, and understanding the regulations that govern vehicles on University property. This guide will help you find answers to most of your parking-related questions and offer tips that will make it easier for you to park on campus. A wealth of other information is also available on our Web site at www.pts.pitt.edu. If you prefer to contact us directly, feel free to visit during our office hours or call us at 412-624-4034.

Parking Opportunities

You can apply for a parking permit by simply calling, writing, or e-mailing the Parking Services Office. To obtain a permit for the lot of your choice, you will probably need to sign up for a waiting list (which you can view in the office or online at www.pts.pitt.edu) by filling out a parking registration form. When a space becomes available, the Parking Services Office will notify you by mail. Be sure to keep your information current, as we update the list regularly. Changes such as departmental relocations, lot closings, disabled parking needs, etc., do occur that may affect your position on the list. Hourly and daily parking rates are available in the Allegheny Street (U), Oxford (OH), Panther Hollow (PH), South Side (SK), and Soldiers and Sailors (SS) facilities. Metered parking also is available (see map for locations).

How It Works

Once assigned, your permit is your passport to campus lots reserved for the exclusive use of Pitt students, faculty, and staff. To ensure that parking enforcement staff know you are allowed to park in your facility, be sure to display the appropriate permit.

Helpful Hint

Are you dropping something off at a campus building but don’t have a permit for the nearest lot? Leave your flashers on, and you can park for up to 15 minutes in a lot other than your own, with your permit displayed.

As a permit holder, you can use these lots, E, F, G, K, N, O, P, Q, R, RA, SC, SO, TH, U, UO, V, after 4 p.m. weekdays and all day Saturday and Sunday. Wesley M. Penson Hall garage and Parma Hall, are available after 5 p.m.

There are rare times in which you may not find a parking space on your assigned lot. If that occurs, park in the Soldiers and Sailors (SS), Oxford (OH), or Allegheny Street (SK) garages. Call the Parking Services Office, and we will temporarily validate your permit. If you can’t access your regular lot due to bad weather, such as snow, you can park in either the SS or OH garages.

Permits of any type are never valid at any meter.

Faculty and staff pay for their permits through payroll deduction. Be sure to verify that your parking fees are properly deducted from your paycheck, and report any errors to the Parking Services Office.

Failure to do so will not excuse you from paying back charges. If you use your Pitt ID as an access card for your garage, please remember to stop by the Parking Services Office when you get a new ID so that we may update your records.

Emeritus faculty and commissioner students buy their permits on a term basis; resident students must pay for the academic year, and vendors and departments must pay for the fiscal year. The Parking Services Office accepts cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and Panther Funds.

Special permits are available for disabled drivers, carpools, vans, vendors, department visitors, conference attendees, contractors, and members of the Board of Trustees.

For information on obtaining a special permit, call 412-624-4034.

Permits paid by University account number require senior administrator approval. Remember that permits are nontransferrable, and your permit and keycard remain University property.
Parking Garages

For Pitt employees only at 412-624-2121 at all other times.

Be sure to settle any violations. If you have outstanding obligations, the Parking Services Office won’t issue a permit. Appeals are not being used on existing permits without request.

### P A Y I N G  F I N E S  A N D  A P P E A L S

In order to ensure that our faculty and staff have spaces available when they need them, the Parking Services Office must enforce penalties against those who violate the rules. If you receive a parking fine, you may pay it within 10 days from the date of issue. Repeat offenders may be booted and/or towed. If you choose to appeal, you may make your case via e-mail, fax, or telephone within 30 calendar days of the date of issue. If you fail to meet the 30-day deadline, the appeals officer will not consider your request.

- Appeals should include:
  - Name
  - University status (such as student, staff, faculty, etc.)
  - Permanent address
  - Daytime telephone number
  - Citation number
  - Vehicle state and plate number
  - Permit number
  - Reason for appeal

Fax all appeals to 412-624-0956, or e-mail them to parkingappeals@pitt.edu. You may also submit your appeal online at www.pts.pitt.edu/parking.

### P A R K I N G  M A P

MAP—Motorist Assistance Program

If your vehicle needs a jump start or if you’ve locked your keys inside, MAP is here for you. Call MAP for assistance at 412-624-4034 during Parking Services Office hours, or Pitt police at 412-624-2121 at all other times.

### W H A T  D O E S  I T  C O S T ? *

- Indoor garages ....................................... $92/month
- VN permits  ............................................ $95/month
- Motorcycle permit  ................................. $25/term
- 3 p.m. .................................................. $56/month
- 2 p.m. .................................................. $68/month
- Contractor permits: rate depends on lot assignment
- Field House (A-2)
- O’Hara Garage (C-2)
- Presbyterian Hospital (C-1)
- Porter Hollow (G-4)
- Wesley W. Prusor Hall (E-4)
- University Place (D-2)
- University Center (E-1)
- UPMC (1000 EVS)
- Bissell Center (Computing Avenue)
- Day Care Center (Chapel Street)
- Eurek-a Lot
- Inquirer Way
- Library Facility (North-campus)
- McGowan Institute
- MV-1
- Sennott Square (E-4)
- Squirrel Hill (E-3)
- Squirrel Square (E-4)
- University Center (E-1)
- University Place (D-2)
- Swanson Hall (E-3)
- University Center (E-1)
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