

# Rules for Parking, Vehicular and Pedestrian Traffic and Safety

Persons who drive vehicles on the various campus locations are subject at all times to the motor vehicle laws of the State of New York, the rules and regulations of the State University of New York at Buffalo and to the ordinances of the City of Buffalo and Town of Amherst where applicable.

A complete list of campus rules and regulations consistent with the Vehicle and Traffic Law relating to parking, vehicular and pedestrian traffic and safety is on file with the Office of the Secretary of State, the offices of the clerks of the Town of Amherst and City of Buffalo, the Office of University Police and the Office of Parking and Transportation Services and may be reviewed, by appointment, within the normal business hours of these offices.

Parking rules and regulations are subject to change for certain campus events, special occasions and emergencies. Restrictions will be posted by the Parking and Transportation Services office and will be strictly enforced.

#### Summary

- Vehicle Registration. All faculty, staff and students are required to register motor vehicles annually with Parking and Transportation Services on the North Campus. All faculty, staff and students shall be bound by the posted and published traffic regulations.
- A copy of the complete State University of New York at Buffalo Vehicle Regulations may be obtained from the Department of University Police, Bissell Hall, North Campus or Office of Parking and Transportation Services in the Ellicott Complex, Spaulding Quad, North Campus.
- Permits all faculty, staff and students will be issued a Vehicle Registration Permit
  upon the completion of vehicle registration and the payment of the required fee(s). The
  Vehicle Registration Permit must be affixed from the rearview mirror. It will be the
  responsibility of the motorist to keep the permit visible. Other permits are to be affixed or
  displayed in accordance with the printed instructions issued with the permit.
- Disability Parking Permits (permanent) the university recognizes only state or municipality issued disability parking permits as valid for use in designated accessible parking areas on campus. These permits must be accompanied by a University-issued disability parking permit. Students with permanent handicapping conditions should secure municipal permits from their home area Police Department or from their State Department of Motor Vehicles.
- Disability Parking Permits (Temporary) students who need special parking consideration due to a temporary handicapping condition must apply for special

- permission from Parking and Transportation Services. A medical certification of disability must accompany the application.
- Parking Policy automobile parking on the campus is considered a privilege granted by the university. The Administration is aware that there may be a shortage of convenient parking spaces during peak periods and attempts to keep up with the heavy demands of the student and faculty population as efficiently as finances and land permit. In order to make parking as equitable as possible, an effort is made to keep parking regulations reasonable and strictly enforced. Each student is expected to work out a schedule of arrival at the campus which will allow them time to find a legal parking place. Ignorance of the regulations is not considered an excuse for a violation.
- Parking is prohibited at all times on the roadways (except as posted), sidewalks, lawns, grounds, lanes and through ways of parking areas. The university may have illegally parked vehicles towed away at the owner's expense.
- Parking Fines and Penalties —a university parking citation is issued for any non-moving violation that occurs on the campuses of the State University of New York at Buffalo. Payment of the fine associated with such violation is returnable to the Parking and Transportation office within the time period specified on the citation. A plea against a university parking citation (appeal) must be returned in the manner described on the citation.
- Liability. The university accepts no liability for loss or damage to a motor vehicle or its contents. This includes any damage caused by moving, booting or towing.

#### Parking Areas

All lots are clearly signed at the entrance with the name of the lot and type of permit required.

# Faculty/Staff-Only Lots

Only valid faculty/staff permits are approved in these lots. Student parking is prohibited in faculty/staff-only lots.

## **Student-Only Lots**

Only valid student permits are approved in these lots. Faculty and staff are prohibited from parking in these lots.

#### Faculty/Staff & Student Shared Lots

A valid faculty/staff or student parking permit must be displayed in these lots.

#### Commuter Student & Faculty/Staff Lots

Commuter students, faculty, and staff may park with a valid permit, in the Hochstetter B and Jarvis A Lots on the North Campus. Resident students are prohibited from parking in these two lots.

#### **Student Apartment Parking**

Vehicles parked in a student-apartment parking lot must display a valid resident-parking permit along with a sticker from the complex the vehicle registrant resides. The permit, with sticker facing toward the windshield of the vehicle, must be displayed at all times. Permits from one complex are not valid in another. With the exception of the commuter lots, these permits are also valid in student-designated lots.

#### **Resident Freshmen Parking**

Freshmen living on campus are required to park their vehicle in their residence hall lot or in a Park & Ride lot from 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. Residents of the Governors Complex should use the Governors E Lot.

#### Fronczak Paid Parking

Annual, semester and summer access cards may be purchased by faculty/staff or students for the Fronczak paid parking lot on the North Campus near Capen Hall. Daily entry rates are \$5, 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.; \$3 after 1:00 p.m. Rates subject to change.

## **Visitor Parking**

Visitors may obtain a guest parking permit from Parking and Transportation Services or from the department they are visiting. These permits are valid in any faculty/staff, student or shared lot. They are not valid in apartment complex lots or in lieu of payment where required.

Visitors may pay to park in a metered or pay-by-cell space, rates vary; or in the Fronczak visitor lot on the North Campus. Entry fee is \$5 weekdays, 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., \$3 after 1:00 p.m.

## Parking Meters & Pay by Cellphone

Parking meters are enforced 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Rates vary per location. Parking is prohibited at malfunctioning meters. Report broken meters to 716-645-3943. To pay by cellphone, pre-register at Parkmobile.com. Park in a signed Parkmobile space and call in the 4-digit parking zone indicated on the sign. Parking permits are not valid at parking meters or in Parkmobile spaces.

## **Clinic Patient Parking**

Certain lots and spaces are designated for use by clinic patients displaying special, dated parking permits provided by the clinic. Look for signage indicating who can use these spaces. Clinic parking is not for use by UB faculty/staff and students, including those visiting a clinic.

## **Electric Vehicle Charging Stations**

Charging stations are available on Mary Talbert Way, Coventry Road (NC) and in Diefendorf Loop (SC). Vehicles must be charging while parked at the stations. Maximum parking/charging time is 3 hours.

**Parking for Persons with Disabilities** Designated areas are reserved for vehicles with disability license plates or hangtags issued by a municipality. These must be accompanied by a university-issued disability parking permit obtained from Parking and Transportation Services.

## **Special Event Parking**

Reserved parking is available for most cultural and athletic events. Parking and Transportation Services will determine which spaces may be used for events. A nominal fee may apply.

## **Motorcycle Parking**

Annual permits (stickers) must be displayed on the right front fork. Motorcycle, moped, motor scooter, and motor bicycle parking is permitted in areas designated for "motorcycles only." Motorcycles may also park in regular parking spaces in valid lots. Unless otherwise noted, these vehicles are not permitted to park on sidewalks, under building overhangs, inside courtyards, or in buildings.

# **Overnight Parking**

Overnight parking is available on campus year-round, and is restricted to designated areas. Parking on all roadways is prohibited. Signs are posted in lots where overnight parking is allowed or prohibited.

## **Restricted Parking Areas**

Parking is prohibited on all roadways, sidewalks, fire lanes, and grass areas unless otherwise indicated. Additional restricted areas include those spaces designated for motorcycles, persons with disabilities, service or state vehicles, loading docks, and Red permits. These restrictions are enforced 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Vehicles must park in a designated parking space or area, in accordance with restrictions, at all times. No person shall park on the premises of the university in such manner as to interfere with the use of a fire hydrant, fire lane, or other emergency zone; create any other hazard or unreasonably interfere with the free and proper use of a roadway or pedestrian way. Unless otherwise indicated, parking outside of lined spaces, within end of row triangles, or beyond double lines is prohibited and strictly enforced.

## Parking Enforcement

## **Parking Citations Appeals Process**

Appeals should be based on the premise that the citation was not consistent with university parking regulations.

The first step entails submitting a written statement describing why the citation is unwarranted, online at buffalo.edu/parking. Parking & Transportation Services must receive an appeal within 15 calendar days from the date the citation was issued. All fines incur a late fee if not paid or appealed within the 15-day period; in addition, failure to comply constitutes a plea of guilt. Appellants are notified by email as to the result of their appeal. By request, an appeal may continue to a second step in front of a hearing officer. If a request is made for a third step, the fine must be paid and evidence and transcripts from the second step will be reviewed by a panel. A refund will be issued if the citation is dismissed. Late fines are not added while an appeal is pending.

**Outstanding Parking Fines** Overdue parking fines on student accounts may result in placement of a hold which will prevent class registration and block transcript requests. Faculty and staff members may be subject to payroll deduction as a means of collecting outstanding parking fines. Vehicles with outstanding fines may be referred as scofflaws to the DMV, which will block their registration renewal.

## **Towing and Booting**

Any vehicle parked illegally on campus with six or more unpaid tickets is subject to towing or booting at registrants' expense. Vehicles double or triple parked, blocking roadways or parked illegally in handicap or clinic areas are subject to immediate towing. Abandoned vehicles will be towed and impounded in accordance with New York State Vehicle & Traffic Law(s). Individuals who are towed or booted will be required to pay a release charge as well as all fines, or make a payment agreement, before the vehicle is released.

#### Traffic Controls

The following traffic controls are applicable to the grounds of the State University of New York at Buffalo (North Campus), Town of Amherst, Erie County, unless otherwise indicated.

#### **North Campus**

No persons shall drive a vehicle on university streets, roads or highways at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing; but in no event shall a person drive a vehicle in excess of 30 miles per hour unless a different speed is authorized and indicated by the university. The maximum speed limit at which vehicles may proceed on or along roadways is as follows:

- 40 MPH Audubon Parkway from Route 263, Millersport Highway, to Frontier Road, northeastern most intersection.
- 40 MPH Rensch Entrance, between CR 301, Sweethome Road and Audubon Parkway.
- 30 MPH Flint Entrance, between CR 192, Maple Road and Audubon Parkway.
- 15 MPH is the maximum speed limit at which vehicles may proceed on or along Mary Talbert Way (south) between Mary Talbert Way (west) and Lee Road.

- 5 MPH is the maximum speed limit at which vehicles may proceed on or along the service roadway under the Ellicott Complex, between the entrance and exit termini of this service road.
- 15 MPH Frontier Road from Audubon Parkway east to St. Rita's Lane Extension and St. Rita's Lane Extension North and South.

#### **South Campus**

The following traffic controls are applicable to the grounds of the State University of New York at Buffalo (South Campus), City of Buffalo, Erie County, unless otherwise indicated.

- No persons shall drive a vehicle on university streets, roads, or highways at a speed
  greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the
  actual and potential hazards then existing; but in no event shall a person drive a vehicle
  in excess of 30 miles per hour unless a different speed is authorized and indicated by
  the university.
- 20 MPH is the maximum speed limit at which vehicles may proceed on or along all roadways on the grounds of the State University of New York at Buffalo (South Campus), City of Buffalo, Erie County.

Parking and Transportation Services

Administrative Office:
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