In 1957, the University of California Board of Regents adopted a POLICY that all vehicles (including motorcycles and motorized bicycles, mopeds) parked on the University of California campuses have to be registered once a year with the DMV and the Parking & Transportation Services (Parking) Office, and be subject to an annual fee covering the costs of construction, operation, maintenance, and administration of parking facilities. In 1960, the state legislature passed into law a bill that eliminated the use of state tax funds for parking purposes on the University of California and California State College campuses.

Responsibility for ENFORCEMENT of the UCSD Parking Regulations rests with the following agencies: 1) the University Police Department and the Parking Office on Campus; 2) the Parking Office and hospital security at the Medical Center. These agencies are empowered to issue parking citations under sections 5200, 5204, 4000a, 21113a, 22507.8, and 22502.a of the California Vehicle Code and Sections 86.30.1, 86.09.e, and 86.10 of the San Diego Municipal Code. All provisions of the California Vehicle Code are applicable in the absence of specific university regulations. All parking violators are also subject to towing under Section 22651 and 22659 of the California Vehicle Code.

Parking permits are required on all university property at all times. There are two exceptions to this: 1) vehicles without permits may use parking meters; and 2) permits are not required in “A”, “B”, “S”, or “M” parking spaces on the main campus from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily and 11:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. on weekends and UCSD-designated holidays unless the lot, row, or space is posted with a sign requiring permits “24 hours a day, 7 days a week”. Enforcement hours are:

Campus: 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. (M – F) and
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Medical Center: 24 hours/7 days a week

Parking permits purchased at the Campus differ from those purchased at the Medical Center and do not necessarily grant reciprocal parking privileges at each location. Any questions regarding parking privileges may be directed to the appropriate Parking Office.

REGULATIONS

A citation may be issued, without benefit of prior warning, to any vehicle anywhere on university property under the following conditions:
1. Parking without a parking permit.

2. Parking with a permit not properly displayed in plain, full view, numbers clearly visible, according to instructions. (Vehicles with car covers are no exception to this regulation).

3. Parking with an invalid permit. A parking permit is rendered invalid when cancelled, not completed, illegible, altered, used by someone other than purchaser, displayed by a vehicle not registered with Parking Office, owner not eligible for permit, application information is false, used on incorrect date, or designated as such by UCSD with a thirty-day notice.

4. Parking at any time within fifteen feet of a fire hydrant or blocking a fire lane.

5. Parking at any time at an unmarked curb, red curb, or marked "NO PARKING" area.

6. Parking in a metered space when time has expired, when violation flag is up, or when meter is jammed or otherwise inoperable.

7. Parking at any time beyond the time limit in a time-controlled zone (enforced twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week):
   a. yellow curb\20 minute limit unless posted otherwise
   b. posted loading zone\20 minute limit unless posted otherwise
   c. passenger\white or green zone\3 minute limit unless posted otherwise
   d. service yard\as indicated on service yard permit
   e. as indicated on any specific permit or pass


9. Parking at any time in an undesignated area (i.e., not in a marked parking stall/space).

10. Parking at any time in a designated or posted "Reserved" space or area without authorization.

11. Parking with a permit or pass that has been reported lost or stolen.

12. Parking with a permit or pass that has been reproduced, counterfeited, or other facsimile.

13. Parking at any time in a space or area posted for handicapped parking without appropriate UCSD permit AND one of the following: a UCSD Handicapped Parking Pass, DMV placard, or DMV disabled license plate. Visitors do not need a UCSD parking permit.

14. Parking more than one vehicle on campus and/or Medical Center, with permits registered to the same person at the same time unless all permits are full fee or unless authorized.

15. Parking other than front first in a metered parking space or other parking space that is located immediately adjacent to sidewalks, walkways, stairs, landscaped areas, or handicapped ramps.

16. Repairing a vehicle at any time other than in an emergency or unless authorized.

17. Camping in a vehicle at any time unless authorized.

18. Parking a vehicle displaying improper DMV REGISTRATION tabs:
a. no month and/or year sticker  
b. stickers damaged or illegible.

19. Parking a vehicle displaying expired DMV registration tabs.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Only the Department of Community Safety may grant parking privileges. The university reserves the right to refuse issuance of parking permits or to restrict or change the use of any space or area at any time without notice. Parking permits are the property of the university and may be recalled at any time.

The University reserves the right to CHANGE parking permit FEES with thirty days' notice as published in a recognized university-wide notice. Annual parking permit holders on monthly payroll deductions will automatically have their payroll deductions changed to the new rate. Annual parking permit holders who have prepaid for parking will be required to pay the prorated difference between the old and new rate.

The responsibility for finding a legal parking space, as well as finding out where and when a parking permit is valid, rests with the motor vehicle operator. Purchase of a parking permit does not guarantee a space to park. Lack of space is not considered valid justification for violation of university parking regulations. Personal notes or explanations left on vehicles are not considered valid authorization to park in violation of university parking regulations.

Individuals requiring annual parking permits for more than one vehicle have one of the following two options available to them:

1. They may request a LAMINATED DASHBOARD permit. (A laminated permit is only valid when displayed on a vehicle bearing one of the license plate numbers placed by the Parking Office on the face of the permit); there is also a $1 charge on each occasion the dashboard holder has forgotten the permit.)

2. They may request a SUPPLEMENTARY parking permit(s) if the extra vehicle(s) is personally registered to them with the DMV. Proof of ownership must be presented at the time of request for both the supplementary vehicle(s) and the basic vehicle. At no time may the supplementary vehicle(s) and the basic vehicle be parked on University property at the same time; except that the other vehicle(s) may park in a metered space upon payment of the meter fee. Supplementary permits are sold on a cash basis only and are not refundable or transferable.

Any university employee requesting parking is required to purchase his or her own parking permit. Departmental funds may not be used to pay for parking for employees of the university.

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS are available to University career employees (working 50% or more) through the University's regular payroll system. Fellowship payments and stipends do not qualify for payroll deduction. Students, including those employed by the university, are not eligible for payroll deductions. New and continuing members of the payroll deduction plan must make a cash payment for all months not covered by payroll deduction. Please note that payroll deductions will continue until a cancellation form is processed, even if your permit has expired.

REFUNDS are available on certain types of permits for the paid-for, unused portion. The remnants of permits must be turned into the Parking Office at the time the request for refund is made.
REPLACEMENT permits may be issued ($1 replacement fee) by bringing your current permit or the remnants of it (permit number is needed) to the Parking Office. If your permit has been lost or stolen, obtain a copy of your application from the Parking Office, and then report it to the Campus Police Department.

The speed limit in all parking lots on University property is 10 miles per hour, unless posted otherwise.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION on parking may be found in the University Policy and Procedure Manual, Section 545. If you have any questions or a special parking problem, please contact the Parking Office.

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