When your lot is full, park in lot #21 and use shuttle service for access to campus.
Parking and Traffic Regulations

Where to Park

Between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, parking is by permit only in assigned numbered lots. Overnight parking (between 2 a.m. and 8 a.m., 7 days a week) is by University permit only. Undergraduates may only park overnight in Lot 23. At all other times, parking is unrestricted except for the following lots which are restricted at all times: Lot 8, Lot 9, and Lot 18. Parking areas next to buildings without a lot number clearly displayed and spaces with special signage are considered restricted areas at all times.

To obtain a parking permit, visit the TigerCard Office located on the A Floor of New South from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

- Faculty and staff cars must be parked in assigned lots.
- Students living on campus or in the Graduate College must purchase overnight parking permits. Freshmen are prohibited from parking their vehicles on campus.

Parking between the two booths on Elm Drive: Parking on the main campus between the two public safety booths on Elm Drive is restricted to “O” and “ES” decals or holders of AV cards. Anyone with a compelling reason to park in this area must send an e-mail request to special-parking@princeton.edu or come into our office. Telephone requests will not be accepted. Receipt of requests does not constitute approval. All requests will either be confirmed or denied. If you have not received an e-mail response you should contact our office (258-3157). Our office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Drop-offs or pick-ups: Four-way flashers should be used for any drop-off or pick-up and should be limited to 30 minutes. Access to the main campus requires a booth pass for the designated area and time limitations must be respected.

Forrestal decals: Vehicles bearing only Forrestal decals may park in Lot 21 by Jadwin Gym or Lot 7, the parking garage behind New South.

Contractors requiring on-site parking should call the TigerCard Office (258-3157).

Overnight parking (from 2 a.m. to 8 a.m., 7 days per week, year round) is by University permit only. Undergraduates may only park overnight in Lot 23. Vehicles parked between the hours of 2 a.m. and 8 a.m. without a permit may be towed or booted.

Visitor Parking

One-day visitor parking, weekdays. Visitors coming to campus on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. may park in Lot 21, near Jadwin Gym. Visitors to the undergraduate or graduate admission office may park on the top floor of the garage at Lot 7, which is located near the south end of campus. One row in Lot 6, adjacent to the garage, also is reserved for these visitors. A free campus shuttle operates frequently from Lots 7 and 21 during weekdays until the early evening.

If you are planning to visit for more than one day, you will need to obtain a permit from the TigerCard Office, in the New South building, floor A, across from Lot 7.

Campus parking for evening events and on weekends. From 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. on weekdays and from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, visitors may park in most of the University’s numbered parking lots, including Lots 21 and 7. Lot 10, on Williams Street, is recommended for events starting after 5 p.m. at the University Chapel, Prospect House, and Murray-Dodge Theater. See the visitor parking map.

Fees and Fines

The following fines and fees are in effect 2006-07:

$  20 Violations
$ 10 Late penalty after 10 days (nonstudents)
$ 50 Booting
$ 50 Repeat Offender
$ 70 Towing
$100 Marked fire lane
$100 Handicapped space w/o state certification
$100 Alteration or transfer of University parking permit
$  2 Overnight parking per day (Sunday–Thursday)
$155 Yearly graduate and undergraduate overnight (Lots 19 and 23)

Parking Regulations

Parking and traffic policies are in effect throughout the year, including University break periods.

Parking is prohibited on the grass, sidewalks and roadways. Vehicles must be parked within designated parking space dividers.

Valid parking permits must be permanently affixed in the appropriate location (inside the rear driver’s side window or, if a pickup, behind the driver’s back window). All expired decals must be removed. Anyone who tampers or changes a University parking permit is subject to a $100 fine and suspension of parking privileges. Parking permits are not transferable.

Parking is ONLY permitted where specifically indicated. Absence of signage is not authorization to park.

Cars with Princeton University decals, either valid or expired, are not permitted to park in visitor spaces. Permit holders will be held responsible for violations incurred by that vehicle. You should remove permits before disposing of your vehicle.

Parking signage must be respected. Certain spaces are specifically designated for a particular type of vehicle, department, residence, or handicapped. Parking spaces designated “University vehicles” are intended for those vehicles owned by the University and not for personal vehicles being used for University business.

Vehicles may not be left in campus lots while the owner is on leave or in absence. Vehicles left for extended periods of time will be towed at the owner’s expense. Any vehicle parked on University property without a valid registration and license plate will be treated as abandoned. Abandoned vehicles will be towed and stored at the owner’s expense. If not reclaimed within 90 days, the University will dispose of them.

Lack of a legal parking space in an assigned lot is not a valid excuse for violating parking policy. If no legal parking is available in the assigned lot, use Lot 21 near Jadwin Gym and take the shuttle.

Graduate students using hang-tags must also have a valid housing or Graduate College permit and scratch off the exact date for which the hang-tag is being used. University faculty and staff using AV or AH hang-tags must also have a valid University permit appropriately displayed on the vehicle.

If you are driving a vehicle that is not registered with the TigerCard Parking Office (loaner, rental, etc.) you may park in your regular assigned lot providing you call the TigerCard office for assistance. Do not park in a visitor space. If parking is needed for more than one day, you must obtain a parking permit.

Vehicles of University employees and students to whom decals have been issued that are found in visitor spaces with such decals affixed will be booted or towed. The owners of such vehicles shall immediately be removed from the parking agreement and recommended to the appropriate authorities for disciplinary action.

Princeton University is not responsible for damage, loss of personal items, or theft of vehicles parked on University property.

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TigerCard/Parking Office
A Floor New South, Princeton, NJ 08544
(609) 258-3157 or 258-5436