

# Furman University



# Traffic and Parking Regulations

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# STUDENT, EMPLOYEE, AND CONTRACTOR PERMITS

- Permits may be purchased online at: <https://portal.permitsales.net/driverportal/FurmanUniv>.
- All students, employees, guests, contractors, and vendors must obtain and display a permit.
- Student vehicles must be registered and a permit displayed by the first day of class.
- Parking decals must be displayed on the rear window exterior, passenger side, lower corner.
- Convertibles should display their permit on the bottom right-hand side of the windshield.
- Temporary or medical permits must be clearly displayed on the dash of the vehicle.
- Failure to display or improper display of a permit may result in a citation.
- Motorcycle and moped permits must be displayed on the front fork or rear fender.
- Permits are NOT transferable.
- Employee and Student permit decals are issued by color. The permit color must match the lot color as specified at the entrance sign of each lot. A lot color map is available at [vehicles.furman.edu](http://vehicles.furman.edu).
- If you are unsure if you are permitted to park in a spot, DON'T! It is your responsibility to know and comply with all campus parking regulations.
- Replacement decals are available at the Furman Police Department.
- The Chief of Police has the authority to revoke any parking permit.

## TEMPORARY GUEST/VISITOR PERMITS

- Any vehicle parked on campus overnight is required to have a temporary permit. Vehicles on campus for longer than 30 days require an annual permit.
- Temporary visitor permits are required for all overnight visitors parking a vehicle on campus. These temporary visitor permits are available with a student sponsor with a fee of \$5. Student sponsors are financially responsible for any citation received by a sponsored visitor.
- Conference, workshop, and seminar participants may receive temporary visitor permits as well. These should be arranged with the University Police in advance by the event sponsor and are available at no cost by emailing at [parking.info@furman.edu](mailto:parking.info@furman.edu).

## Parking Permit Fees:

Permit Type	Fee
Student Permit	\$124.99
Summer Permit	\$44.99
Motorcycle/Moped Permit	\$124.99
3-day Visitor Permit	\$5.00
Grad Student/OLLI Permit	\$24.99

## MEDICAL PERMITS

Medical permits are designed to assist a driver with a temporary medical need. A medical permit may be obtained by visiting the Student Office of Accessibility Resources. Eligibility for a medical permit requires proof of need, such as a doctor's note. Medical permits are assigned to the injured person's vehicle and no other vehicle.

# VIOLATIONS

Compliance with all University parking regulations is our goal. To help educate students, faculty and staff your first offense will result in a warning citation (handicap and fire lane violations excluded). Furman University uses progressive parking fines to assist in enforcement. Student Conduct or Human Resources may be involved in situations where fines have been ineffective in gaining compliance.

If a student receives two citations for no decal displayed/expired permit, a parking permit may be charged to the student's account with Enrollment Services.

The owner or person to whom the vehicle is registered is responsible for any violation or citation involving their vehicle. All fines must be paid within 30 days. Delinquent fines are subject to a \$10 late fee for each citation. After 30 days, unpaid fines may be transferred to a student's account. A vehicle found in violation of a parking regulation may be ticketed once every 8 hours until it is moved into compliance.

<b>Violation Type</b>	<b>Fine Amount</b>
General Moving Violation	\$55.00
Fire Lane/Handicap Parking (1st Offense)	\$55.00
Fire Lane/Handicap Parking (2nd Offense)	\$105.00
Fire Lane/Handicap Parking (3rd or More)	\$157.00
All Other Parking Violations (1st Offense)	\$11.50
All Other Parking Violations (2nd Offense)	\$27.00
All Other Parking Violations (3rd or More)	\$53.00
All Other Parking Violations (11th or More)	\$210.00
No decal displayed/expired permit (1st Offense)	\$27.00
No decal displayed/expired permit (2nd Offense)	\$53.00
No decal displayed/expired permit (3rd Offense)	\$105.00
No decal displayed/expired permit (4th or More)	\$210.00

# CITATION APPEALS

All citation appeals must be made online within five days of the ticket being issued using the QR code on the ticket or by visiting <https://portal.permitsales.net/driverportal/FurmanUniv>. Appeals are reviewed by Parking and Traffic Committee. The Committee is comprised of Students, Faculty and Staff. If the Committee is not in session, the Chief of Police or his designee will act in their stead. Decisions of the Committee / Chief of Police are final.

# DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY

- Drivers are required to have a valid driver's license, liability insurance, and registration, and to comply with all applicable South Carolina laws.
- Drivers on campus must know and comply with University Traffic and Parking Regulations in this brochure, as well as traffic signs, curb markings, and other directions given by University Police or special event staff.
- Drivers are responsible for any moving violations that occur while operating a vehicle on campus.

- Drivers operate and park vehicles on university property solely at their own risk. Furman University is not responsible for damage that may occur to a vehicle while on campus.

## **ENFORCEMENT HOURS AND LOCATIONS**

Parking regulations are enforced 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, campus-wide. Restricted lots open at 5 p.m. to allow for additional parking. These lots are clearly identified on signs posted at the entrances to each lot. Parking policies are enforced on all Furman University.

## **RECKLESS DRIVING AND DUI**

Those suspected of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol or driving recklessly may face both criminal prosecution and student conduct sanctions. In addition, those who are suspected by police to be operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs or alcohol will face an immediate 90-day vehicle suspension from campus and a \$210 fine. The vehicle operator may appeal to the Committee.

## **EMERGENCY VEHICLES**

All vehicles are required to yield to any law enforcement or emergency vehicle flashing red or blue lights. Failure to yield may result in suspension of driving and parking privileges and a \$210 fine.

## **TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS**

If you are involved in a traffic accident on campus you **MUST** report the accident to University Police immediately by calling 864-294-2111. You must remain on the scene of the accident until a University Police Officer arrives. Failure to comply with these provisions will result in permanent suspension of driving and parking privileges on University property and a \$210 fine in addition to any legal action as set forth in South Carolina law.

## **GENERAL TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND SPEED LIMITS**

All South Carolina traffic laws are enforced on the campus. At no time may you exceed the campus wide speed limit of 20 MPH (10 MPH in parking lots). At times, road and weather conditions may require a speed much less than 20 MPH. Drivers operating at speeds too fast for conditions may be subject to a moving violation citation.

- Campus roadway speed limit is 20 MPH.
- Parking lot speed limits are 10 MPH.
- Pedestrians in crosswalks have the right of way. You must yield.
- Vehicles moving in traffic lanes behind parked vehicles shall have the right of way.
- Vehicles proceeding from a parking lot and entering a street, road or main traffic lane in a parking lot shall yield to oncoming vehicles.
- Vehicles must come to a complete stop at a stop sign.
- General moving violations may result in a \$55 citation, referral to student conduct or Human Resources, or both, depending on the circumstances.

# **TOW AND BOOT PROCEDURES**

Furman University may find it necessary to use a wheel immobilizer to boot vehicles on campus to ensure compliance with the University's vehicle registration and parking policies. After five business days immobilized, the vehicle may be towed from campus at the owner's expense in any enforcement situation. The wheel immobilizer is typically used in the following situations:

## **Outstanding Fines**

A vehicle accumulating over \$200 in unpaid fines may be booted. All unpaid fines must be paid before the boot will be removed and the privilege to have a vehicle on campus will be suspended until the fine balance is paid.

## **Excessive Parking Citations**

10 parking citations during the permit year will result in the registered owner's vehicle restriction to their residential parking lot, or chapel lots only as a commuter. The privilege to park in other locations will be suspended until the permit expires on August 15th.

Citations 11-15 will result in the vehicle being immobilized or cited on each occasion. The boot removal fee will be \$53 in addition to the \$210 fine associated with the parking citation for each occurrence. The 16th and additional parking citations may result in the vehicle being towed from campus at the owner's expense immediately. The privilege to operate a vehicle on campus suspended, and all parking permits for the owner will be revoked until August 15th, while a \$210 fine will also be issued for each occurrence.

## **Unauthorized Boot Removal**

Unauthorized removal of a boot from a vehicle will result in a \$210 fine to the vehicle owner, suspension of driving and parking privileges on campus for 90 calendar days, and possible referral to student conduct or Human Resources.

# **MECHANICAL PROBLEMS**

In the event of a mechanical failure, the driver should:

1. Drive or push the vehicle into the nearest parking space or out of the travel lane, if safe to do so.
2. Notify the University Police by calling 864-294-2111 and advise them of the vehicle's location and mechanical problem.

The vehicle owner has 24 hours to move the vehicle to an appropriate permit area. Vehicles blocking traffic or parked in an unsafe manner may be towed at the owner's expense.

# **STOLEN SIGNS & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION**

Students in possession of stolen campus directional, traffic or parking signs or equipment may be fined \$210 and charged for replacement cost. They will also have their privilege to operate and park a vehicle on campus suspended for 90 calendar days. The suspension will be enforced by towing at owner's expense or booting with a boot removal fee of \$53.

Circular, leaflets, and other material may not be distributed in parking lots or placed on vehicles.

## **STOLEN OR ALTERED PERMITS**

Students in possession of a stolen or altered permit (including a temporary, handicap or medical permit) or displaying a permit not issued to them (Including temporary or medical permits issued to another vehicle or misuse of a state issued handicap permit) will be fined \$210 and will have their privilege to operate and park a vehicle on campus suspended for 90 calendar days. The suspension will be enforced by towing at owner's expense or booting with a boot removal fee of \$53. Students supplying their permit for use by another may have their driving and parking privileges revoked for 90 days and will be responsible for a \$210 fine.