

HARRIS-STOWE STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY

Parking Policy & Procedure Manual

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Parking and Vehicle Registration

- HSSU requires the registration of any motor vehicle parking on any property owned or leased by the University. This policy includes vehicles, motorcycles, Gem-carts, mopeds, scooters, etc. A fee may be assessed. HSSU limits parking registrations to passenger classed vehicles and light duty pick-up trucks that have not been modified, with an unladen weight of no more than 5,500 lbs. Any repairs or maintenance to motor vehicles are strictly prohibited on HSSU property.
- HSSU is not responsible for any injuries sustained, or damage to a vehicle while on campus. Permit holders of any vehicle left on campus overnight shall make arrangements prior to leaving campus for someone to move their vehicle in the event of a snow or campus parking emergency.
- Permits in decal form must be affixed on lower left-hand corner of the rear windshield of your vehicle with the exception of a motorcycle (must be affixed on the right front fork of the bike or be placed on the front windshield if your bike has one)
- All vehicle parking registration decals must be affixed as described above and must be maintained in good, readable condition by the vehicle owner.
- Visitor/Guest and Temporary passes must be placed on the front dashboard near windshield, with the effective date facing out. Permits must not be damaged (in that the id displayed is not clearly visible, or the permit is ripped).
- **Permit fee is non-refundable**
- Permits may be purchased 24 hours a day, seven days a week using our online registration form or by contacting the Public Safety Parking Coordinator (between normal business hours).
- Duplication, alteration, or reproduction of a HSSU Parking Decal, Temporary or Visitor Pass is a class D felony under Missouri Revised Statutes section 570.090 (1977 S.B. 60, A.L. 2002 H.B. 1888, A.L. 2014 S.B. 491) (Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument) and may subject the violator to arrest, prosecution and/or University disciplinary action.
- Motorcycles, Gem-carts, mopeds, scooters, must be properly registered with the Public Safety Parking Services (Office of Public Safety).
- Permit holders must possess and maintain a valid U.S. Driver's License, or equivalent. The permit holder must be legally qualified to operate a motor vehicle in Missouri. Permit and privileges shall be revoked upon loss of valid driver's license.

Permit Classification

1. Faculty & Staff

- Faculty/Staff are defined as any employee on the non-student payroll of the Harris-Stowe State University as well as affiliated organizations.
- Faculty/Staff registration applications are available on-line and at Public Safety Parking Services. Permits are issued at Public Safety Parking Services.
- Faculty/Staff, and affiliates, may apply for one permit per vehicle. Exceptions may be made by the Public Safety Parking Services Coordinator.
- If two Faculty/Staff or affiliates share the same household, each member must apply for a parking permit for each vehicle registered.
- Faculty/Staff Permits are in decal form and must be affixed on the lower left-hand corner of the rear windshield of your vehicle parked on campus. Each vehicle must be properly registered with the Public Safety Parking Services.
- Contracted/temporary employees defined as individuals engaged by the university to provide a specific set of services, but not on the university payroll may apply for one permit.
- Emeritus and retirees who return on state payroll shall be considered employees.
- Non-resident Faculty/Staff permit holders may not park vehicles overnight unless they are conducting official University business on campus or are in official travel status for the University. Overnight starts at midnight
- Any and all privileges associated with permit shall be terminated upon issuance of 3 violations associated with the same license plate within a semester
- Any vehicle with 3 unpaid violations associated with the same license plate found parked on any University property will be towed at the owner's expense. Tows may also be made at the discretion of the President and Director/Associate Directors of the Office of Public Safety
- Any and all privileges associated with permit are voided upon employee's separation of employment.
- RVs, camper trailers, jet skis, boats, utility trailers, etc. may not be parked on campus without the permission of the Director of Public Safety or his designee.

2. Students

- A student is defined as any person registered at the University for Academic Credit. Teaching assistants, student assistants, and interns are considered students.
- Students are not allowed to use a Faculty/Staff parking permit.
- A student who is the spouse, son, or daughter of a Faculty/Staff member must register the vehicle he or she will be driving in compliance with the student registration regulations and must park in the appropriate student parking areas.
- Student Permits are in decal form and must be affixed on the lower left-hand corner of the rear windshield of your vehicle. On a motorcycle, your registration decal can be displayed

on the right front fork of the bike, or may be placed on the front windshield if your bike has one.

- Each vehicle must be properly registered with the Public Safety Parking Coordinator through paper form or through the online portal.
- Permit fee is non-refundable.
- Any and all privileges associated with the permit expire immediately upon student's disenrollment from the University and annually at the conclusion of the summer semester.
- Any and all privileges associated with the permit shall be terminated upon issuance of 3rd unpaid violation associated with the same license plate within an academic year.
- Any vehicle with 3 unpaid violations associated with the same license plate found parked on any University property will be towed at the owner's expense. Tows may also be made at the discretion of the President and Director/Associate Directors of the Office of Public Safety
- Any and all privileges associated with permit may be terminated by Public Safety Parking Coordinator in coordination with University disciplinary action.
- RVs, camper trailers, jet skis, boats, utility trailers, etc. may not be parked on campus without the permission of the Parking Coordinator

A. Commuter Students

- A commuter student is a registered student who is not assigned on-campus housing.
- A commuter student may purchase one parking permit per semester
- Commuters may not park on campus after midnight and may not park in residence hall or faculty/staff parking lots.

B. Resident Students

- A resident student is a full-time registered student who is assigned on-campus housing.
- A resident student may not allow guests to park their vehicles overnight anywhere on campus
- Resident students' overnight vehicle parking is restricted to the Emerson parking, Gillespie parking area or the parking spaces directly behind the student residence halls, and nowhere else.

3. Vendors

- Vendors are allowed to use the loading docks and/or load/unload zones for up to the posted time. If longer, vendors may park in any parking lot excluding visitor, reserved, service, or disabled spaces.
- Vendors must coordinate with Public Safety Parking Coordinator the parking of large delivery vehicles, dumpsters, roll-aways, or storage containers.

4. Contractors & Temporary Employees

- Contractors and its employees shall be subject to all the rules and regulations of the Harris-Stowe State University campus, including parking regulations. Parking violations are subject

to fines and are the sole responsibility of the contractor or its employees. For contractors requiring lay-down areas near a specific building, the Office of Public Safety will assign the area. Site supervisors may park in this area with prior permission. Contractors may not park in reserved or disabled spaces. Contractors are responsible for payment of all parking citations. Fees may be withheld from contractor payments.

- Temporary workers are subject to all the rules and regulations of the Harris-Stowe State University campus, including parking regulations. Parking violations are subject to fines and are the sole responsibility of the temporary worker or the department they are attached to within University. All permit fees and citations will be billed to the temporary workers department at the end of the semester.

5. Loading Areas

- Loading docks are restricted to state fleet, contractor or vendor deliveries, as marked.
- Load/unload spaces have maximum time limits as posted. Flashers must be used.

6. Reserved Areas

- Reserved spaces are provided for certain staff (such as the president) and will be marked accordingly.
- A valid parking permit is required, or VIP pass (hangtag form).
- Temporary closure of a space may be required due to construction or unforeseen circumstances. If the space closure is prolonged, Public Safety Parking Coordinator may reassign the location temporarily.
- Illegally parking in a reserved space may result in a citation, boot, and/or tow of the vehicle.
- Reserved spaces are not transferable, and may be reassigned or eliminated.

7. Faculty/Staff & Resident Parking

- Faculty/Staff Resident Parking areas and spaces are reserved for campus residents in faculty/staff housing with proper Resident Parking permits.
- Residents' vehicles must be properly registered with the Public Safety Parking Coordinator or through parking services online portal and permits in decal form must be affixed on the lower left-hand corner of the rear windshield of your vehicle.

8. Visitor/Guest Parking or Temporary Parking

- A visitor or guest is defined as a person who is not a registered student, an employee of HSSU, or an employee of an on-campus affiliate.
- Visitors must obtain a parking pass from the Public Safety Parking Coordinator at the Office of Public Safety or via email request to parking@hssu.edu. 72 hour notice is preferred if requesting a visitor pass via email and notice shorter than 24 hours may result in longer wait time for parking pass.
 - I. Visitors and guests are not allowed to park in disabled spaces (without a valid disability tag), service areas, loading areas, or areas blocking entrance doors.
 - II. Visitors and temporary parking passes must be purchased. (See section 14)
- Recreational vehicles are prohibited access to campus without advance written approval by campus president or public safety managing administrators, or unless registered with a campus authorized special event. Special fees may apply.

- Parking violations received by a visitor must be paid no later than the close of business ten (10) days from the date of the citation. Payment may be paid online at:

Failure to respect this guideline will cause a late fee to be added to the fine amount. All applicable state and municipal laws will apply for non-payment of fines. Visitors may appeal parking violations using the published guidelines.

9. Special Event Parking

- Parking rules and parking areas on campus are subject to the rules of Special Event Parking. Special event parking is to be determined prior to an event and is subject to change at the discretion of the Office of Public Safety and the President's Office.

10. Disabled Parking

- Faculty/Staff or students who require the use of disabled parking must obtain a valid parking permit and display their valid State issued disabled tag.
- If temporary parking in a closer lot is needed, students must provide a physician's note verified by the Office of Student Health Services indicating the necessary time period for this accommodation. If the requesting person has obtained a parking permit, a temporary permit will be issued which will allow closer parking to campus buildings but excludes disabled, service, or reserved areas. Faculty/Staff must arrange reasonable accommodations through Human Resources (HR) and provide a physician's note. A special permit will be issued based upon the instructions of HR. The permit issued by the Public Safety Parking Services will be for a maximum of two weeks.
- If the requesting person has not obtained a parking permit, they must apply for a permit prior to requesting closer parking due to temporary disability. Parking permit rules apply to disabled persons parking on HSSU property. A parking decal must be obtained separate, and in addition to, parking on HSSU property.

11. 10 Days After Semester (Fall and Spring Semesters)

- From the time a vehicle arrives on campus, the driver is responsible for insuring s/he is in compliance with the campus parking and driving regulations.
- No permits are required in lots and street parking during the first ten (10) days of classes to allow additional time to purchase your permit. This does not apply to disabled, reserved, service, or visitor areas. Vehicles with a permit must display it properly and park in their designated lots.
- Beginning at 12 am on the 11th day of classes, all vehicles require proper permit and must park in their designated lots or authorized student street parking or a citation will be issued (see fee schedule).

12. Parking Enforcement

- Parking permits and lot enforcement will be in effect at all times, unless announced by the Office of Public Safety or temporarily suspended for certain events.

13. Parking Registration & Fees

- The University sets the annual registration and parking fees. Permits fees are non-refundable. Unless determined by the Parking Services Coordinator, Directors of Public Safety or the University President.
- Permits fees vary based on status. Employee status supersedes student status for fee determinations.

- I. Students fees are \$25.00 per semester, annual permits are not available to students. This fee applies to commuter and residential students
 - II. Full-time faculty and staff fees are \$100.00 per year, semester permits are not available to full-time employees.
 - III. Part-time adjuncts and staff fees are \$25.00 per semester. Annual permits are not available to part-time employees
- Replacement permits are available at no cost for the first replacement within an academic year, if the remnants showing the permit number of the original permit is produced. The second replacement within an academic year costs \$10.00 and can be purchased through the Office of the Bursar. Vehicle information must be updated with the parking services coordinator at the Office of Public Safety before picking up the replacement permit.
 - Lost/Stolen Permits - Lost, misplaced, defaced, or stolen permits must be reported immediately to the Parking Services Coordinator and replaced. Permits that are reported lost and later found, must be returned to Parking Services Coordinator. A signed "Stolen Permit Report" is filed with the Office of Public Safety, or upon providing a police report or insurance verification of theft or destruction of the vehicle.
 - In order to avoid being charged twice for the parking permit fee if a student, faculty or staff wish to use/park a different vehicle than the one that is registered, the owner must remove the parking permit or remnants of it from the vehicle, before registering a new vehicle, and return the old remnants or permit to the Office of Public Safety, Parking Services Coordinator.

14. Lot Designation and Decal Color



- Departments or individuals who wish to reserve parking spaces must contact the Parking Services Coordinator via email at: parking@hssu.edu
 - 24-48 hour notice must be provided in advance of request. Not all requests are approved and are subject to review by the Director of Public Safety, Presidents Office and Event Coordinator.
- VIP Parking Permits are reserved for the President's Office, Board of Regents, President Emeritus or those designated by the University President.
- All lots are first-come first serve basis. Only two lots are reserved.
 - Residential (Behind Gillespie Residential Hall)
 - Faculty-Staff Lot (In front of Henry Givens Administrative building, adjacent to Laclede Circle).

15. Parking Violations & Fines

- A vehicle may be subject to a citation and/or towed or immobilized for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to:
 - No permit. (\$30.00)
 - Parking in an unauthorized parking lot or parking space (\$50.00)
 - Parking in a disabled area without the proper permit (\$200.00)
 - Blocking another vehicle. (\$30.00)
 - Parking in a roadway or driveway. (\$50.00)
 - Blocking a fire hydrant, fire lane, or other emergency zone (\$50.00)
 - Parking in violation of temporary instructions during a declared snow/campus emergency parking. (\$50.00)
 - Blocking a trash dumpster. (\$30.00)
 - Interfering with the free and proper use of a crosswalk or pedestrian way. (\$30.00)
 - Parking on grassy area. (\$50.00)
 - Parking or blocking a service drive or service area. (\$50.00)
 - Parking in a loading zone (\$50.00)
 - Parking where signs or road markings prohibit parking (\$50.00)
 - Parking or operating a vehicle on the quad or sidewalk. (\$50.00)
 - Parking outside the lines designated for parking. (\$30.00)
 - Failure to display permit properly (\$15.00)
 - Vehicle not properly registered (\$30.00)
 - Illegal use of lost/stolen permit. (\$100.00)
 - Expired Decal (\$30.00)

16. Loss of Parking Privileges

- Parking privileges shall be revoked from any permit holder with three unpaid violations.
- Upon issuance of 3 unpaid parking violation, vehicle shall be booted or subject to removal from campus, at the owner's expense.
- Failure to pay fines within 30 days from issuance of citation.

- Separation from employment with HSSU unless still enrolled as a student
- Disenrollment from Harris-Stowe State University or if student is disallowed on campus due to disciplinary probation, suspension or expulsion.
- At term of the parking permit.

17. Towing/Vehicle Immobilizer Policy

- Harris-Stowe State University is not responsible for any damages that may occur as a result of the removal or immobilization of any vehicle. The Office of Public Safety will tow or use the auto-boot immobilizer in the following situations:
 - To impound a vehicle pertaining to an investigation (to preserve evidence) or to disable a vehicle so it cannot be moved before a tow truck arrives (i.e. accident).
 - When the vehicle/license appears on the multiple ticket offender list and has 3 or more unpaid citations. Or if the vehicle is considered abandoned on HSSU property, which is determined at the discretion of the Office of Public Safety.
 - Other instances, when deemed necessary by the Office of Public Safety.
 - Removal fee must be paid by the violator at the time of removal of the immobilizer.

18. Voiding Citations

- The Public Safety Parking Services has oversight for voiding tickets. The following criteria will be used for voiding tickets:
 - Violation caused by failure of University faculty or staff to inform or provide necessary parking arrangements for person(s) invited to the University.
 - A Pass or courtesy notice issued prior to violation.
 - Officer error.
 - Extraordinary circumstances which justify citation waiving (must be accompanied with evidence)

19. Appeals

- Individuals wishing to appeal a citation must initiate a formal request for appeal to the Parking Services Coordinator. The appeal Form must be received within 30 business days following the issuance of the citation.
- Appealed decisions will be sent to the Office of Public Safety, email address or online.
- *Online appeals can be made at:*
 - **<https://www.permitsales.net/HSSU>**
- *Appeals by emails can be sent to:*
 - **Parking@hssu.edu**
- The Appeals Hearing Board will adjudicate within 10 days of the receipt of the appeal.

- All decisions of the Hearing Board are binding and final.
- The Hearing Board is comprised of the Associate Directors and the Parking Services Coordinator.
- Appeals are submitted online, to the Parking Services Coordinator. The alleged violator may be summoned for an in-person hearing via appeal.
- After the 30-day period, the option of appeal or other consideration expires and summons are irrevocable, unless determined otherwise by the Parking Services Coordinator.
- If individuals who sought appeal fail to appear for their scheduled hearing the individual may not seek another appeal (even within the 10-day window). Any failure to attend the hearing will result in an automatic ruling against the appeal. Only extreme circumstances with evidence of such will be considered for a second appeal hearing (such as, death of immediate family member or hospitalization).
- Citation payments can be made at the Bursar's Office in person or online at:
 - <https://www.permitsales.net/HSSU>
- Penalty for non-payment of fines will result in a deduction to student accounts through the Bursar's Office. Employees, full or part-time, will receive a one-time payroll deduction for unpaid fees.
- **Automatic rejection of appeal may occur if:**
 - Vulgar or threatening language is used
 - Threats of violence or threats of any nature are made by appealing party
 - Bribery is attempted by appealing party
 - Appeal is made without supporting evidence or failure to provide requested Information such as name, citation number or ID#
 - Citation is 30 days or older
 - Student/faculty/staff was terminated/expelled/suspended and returns to HSSU
 - Pattern of repeat offense is determined

20. Refunds

- Permit fees are non-refundable.

21. Billings

- At the close of a semester, all unpaid citations and fees must be settled. All unpaid citations will result in a delinquent account, students will not be able to register in subsequent semesters. Faculty & staff with delinquent charges will have a one-time deduction from payroll.

22. Payment of Fines

- Pay Online: <https://www.permitsales.net/HSSU>
 - Online payment forms can be either debit or credit
- Pay by Check, Cash or Money Order:
 - Payable To: Harris-Stowe State University, Parking Fines
- In Person at the Office of the Bursar:
 - 3026 Laclede Ave., RM 018-HGA,

St. Louis, MO 63103

- Fees or payments may not be mailed.

23. Permit Rates

- See page 14 or Q& A below

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VEHICLE REGISTRATION FAQ:

Who has to register their vehicle on campus?

- All members of the Harris Stowe State University community (faculty, staff, students and contract employees) are required to register their vehicles with the Universities Public Safety Parking Coordinator.

When and where can I register my vehicle?

- Vehicles may be registered 24 hours a day, seven days a week, using our online registration form or by contacting the Public Safety Parking Coordinator during normal business hours 9:00am to 4:30pm.

How much does vehicle registration cost?

- Registration is \$100 dollars yearly for full time faculty and staff, which can be handled through payroll deduction. Part time employees and adjuncts must pay \$25.00 per semester.
- Residential students and Commuter Students will pay \$25 dollars a semester.
- Employees have ten days from the date of purchase of a new vehicle and students have until the tenth day of classes in the upcoming semester or 10 days from purchase of a vehicle if they acquire a vehicle during the semester.

Can I bring any additional vehicles to campus?

- Harris Stowe State University reserves the right to limit the number of vehicles that may be brought to campus by resident students. RVs, camper trailers, jet skis, boats, utility trailers, etc. may not be parked on campus without the permission of the Parking Coordinator. There is no facility for off-road vehicle operation on campus. All motor vehicles operated on campus roadways must comply with state standards for “street legal” vehicles; i.e. headlights, brake lights, turn signals, horn, etc.

What paperwork is required to register my vehicle?

- You must have a current and valid driver’s license, vehicle registration, and proof of liability insurance to obtain a vehicle parking registration decal. A registration application may be filled out online or with the Parking Coordinator.

Where do I put my vehicle registration decal?

- For automobiles and pickup trucks, your vehicle registration decal should be displayed on the lower left-hand corner of the rear windshield of your vehicle. On a motorcycle, your registration decal can be displayed on the right front fork of the bike, or may be placed on the front windshield if your bike has one.
- All vehicle parking registration decals must be affixed as described above and must be maintained in good, readable condition by the vehicle owner.

What happens if I need a new parking decal?

- Replacement decals are available at the Office of Public Safety, the first replacement is free of charge the second at a cost of \$10.00 from the Parking Coordinator, if lost or stolen a copy of a police report will be required.

How do I know if I need a new parking decal?

- If your parking decal is not of the current type and style, you need a new decal. If your parking decal is faded so that the color-coded rectangle or the serial number on it are unreadable, you need a new decal. If your parking decal is cracked, torn, pitted or damaged so that it is unreadable or just plain not pretty, you need a new decal. If you have a new vehicle and could not remove (intact) your original decal.

What happens if I don't display my parking decal?

- Any vehicle parked or operated on campus that does not display a University vehicle registration/parking decal is subject to being stopped by University Public Safety at any time. If cited for failure to register your vehicle the minimum fine is \$30.00 with an increase after 10 business days. **Vehicles parked on any university property with three (3) or more unpaid citations will be towed at the owner's expense.**

I have a question that is not addressed in this FAQ. How can I get answers?

- You can always email the Parking Coordinator at **Parking@hssu.edu** or call the Parking Services Section at **(314) 340-3602**.
- You can visit with any of our friendly Public Safety Officers who will be glad to answer your questions.

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