



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3359-46-01 Motor vehicle, traffic and parking regulations.

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The following motor vehicle, traffic and parking regulations and enforcement procedures be, and thereby are, adopted as the rules of the board of trustees of the university of Akron, regulating and controlling the use of motor vehicles on the land and property of the university of Akron, wherever located.

(A) Statement of intent and purpose.

- (1) These motor vehicle, traffic and parking regulations and enforcement procedures of the university of Akron are enacted by the board of trustees of the university of Akron to facilitate the work and well being of the faculty, staff and students, as well as other persons, on the lands and property of the university of Akron.
- (2) In general, it is the basis of these rules that the lands and property of the university of Akron and the use thereof are governed by the board of trustees of the university of Akron in Chapter 3359. of the Revised Code, and that motor vehicle, traffic and parking regulations are to be enacted pursuant to the direction and authority contained in section 3345.04 of the Revised Code. Furthermore, the motor vehicle laws of the state of Ohio as set forth in Title 45 of the Revised Code and local traffic ordinances are applicable and enforceable upon the lands and property of the university of Akron wherever vehicles are permitted to travel thereon.
- (3) Therefore, except where specifically modified herein, all applicable provisions of Title 45 of the Revised Code and local ordinances will be enforced on the lands and property of the university of Akron at all times.

(B) Definitions.

- (1) General. The definitions of the various terms used in these regulations shall be the same as those provided in Chapters 4501., 4503., 4505., 4507., 4511., 4513., 4515., and 4549. of the Revised Code, as presently enacted or as amended from time to time hereafter except such modifications thereof as are herein made specifically applicable and applied.
- (2) Land and property of the university. "Land and property of the university" shall mean all lands and all property owned, leased, or operated by the university of Akron and all land and property over which the university of Akron may have control.
- (3) University and board of trustees. "University and board of trustees" shall mean the university of Akron and the board of trustees of the university of Akron respectively.



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- (4) Street or highway. "Street or highway" as used herein, or in Title 45 of the Revised Code as applicable to any part of the land and property of the university, shall also mean such portions of the land and property as shall be improved and opened for use of, and upon which motor vehicles are permitted, from time to time, by virtue of these regulations.
- (5) Roadway. "Roadway" as used herein, or in Title 45 of the Revised Code as applicable to any part of the lands and property of the university, shall also mean such portions of the land and property of the university as shall be improved and opened for the use of, and upon which motor vehicles are permitted from time to time, by virtue of these regulations.
- (6) Parking zones. "Parking zones" shall mean those portions of streets, highways, or roadways on which the parking vehicles may be permitted and regulated by the board of trustees.
- (7) Parking areas. "Parking areas," which includes parking surface lots and parking decks, shall mean those portions of the land and property owned, leased, licensed or operated by the university which shall, from time to time, be set aside for the parking of motor vehicles.
- (8) Faculty member. "Faculty member" shall mean all persons employed on a full-time basis by the university who hold faculty status and have privileges as defined by the board of trustees, and shall also mean all persons employed to teach on a part-time basis except hereinafter provided.
- (9) Staff member. "Staff member" shall mean all other employees of the university who do not hold faculty status and are appointed by the board of trustees as staff, except that for purposes of these regulations, graduate assistants, research fellows, post-doctorate students, student assistants and resident advisers shall not be considered either faculty or staff members, but shall be considered students as herein provided.
- (10) Students. "Students" shall mean all persons except faculty or staff members, who are registered as students of the university under any classification as to course, subject matter, formal or informal, or as full- or part-time, or special, such as workshops, as well as all persons who may not be registered as students but who attend courses regularly taught as a part of the curriculum of the university.
- (11) Visitors. "Visitors" at the university of Akron shall mean all persons who are not either faculty members, staff members, or students.



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(12) Business day. "Business day" as defined for purposes of appeal only, shall mean Monday through Friday (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) during regular hours, which are normally from eight a.m. to five p.m. (eight a.m. to four thirty p.m. in the summer) and during which university administrative offices are open for business.

(13) Parking space. "Parking space" shall refer to the specifically marked parking area designated by white painted lines in paved surface lots and decks, and white-striped rubber bumper blocks in gravel surface lots, which are established within the confines of university of Akron parking areas. The color yellow indicates that parking is prohibited. The color blue with appropriate approved signage indicates accessibility parking for disabled individuals.

(C) Vehicular traffic regulations.

(1) Vehicular traffic and parking prohibited. All vehicular traffic is prohibited, and no person shall drive, operate or control, park, or otherwise use a motor vehicle upon the land and property of the university, except in the places and areas, and in the manner subject to the provisions and regulations and rules of the board of trustees, as hereinafter provided or may be hereinafter provided. Parking is prohibited in all pedestrian areas, unless otherwise noted by signage.

(2) City of Akron and Ohio motor vehicle laws and traffic regulations applicable. Whenever and wherever vehicular traffic is permitted or whenever and wherever any person is permitted to drive, operate or control, park, or otherwise use a vehicle upon the land and property of the university, local ordinances and the provisions of Title 45 of the Revised Code, as presently enacted or as amended hereafter from time to time, shall be applicable and enforced, except where herein specifically modified.

(3) Speed limits.

(a) All the said roadways and streets and highways designated for vehicular traffic on the land and property of the university of Akron are hereby declared to be as school zones as the same are designated in Chapter 4511. of the Revised Code, and prime facia speed limit thereon shall be twenty-five m.p.h. or as otherwise posted.

(b) All the said parking surface lots of the university of Akron shall have a prima facia speed limit thereon of fifteen m.p.h., unless otherwise posted.

(c) All the said parking decks of the university of Akron shall have a prima facia speed limit thereon of five m.p.h., unless otherwise posted.



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(D) Parking regulations - motor vehicles.

- (1) Parking prohibited. No persons shall park any motor vehicle or let any motor vehicle stop or stand on the land and property of the university of Akron except in areas and at the times and under the conditions set out in these regulations or otherwise indicated by signs or markings or while obeying the directions of a police officer, or parking employee or by order of the board of trustees
- (2) Parking permitted. Parking of motor vehicles may be permitted by rule of the board of trustees in and on the following areas of the land and property of the university as designated as appropriate signs or markings and/or on the map of said land and property of the university, as from time to time printed and published.
 - (a) On roadways. Parking may be permitted on roadways where vehicular traffic is permitted only when obeying the directions of a police officer.
 - (b) On parking lots/decks. Parking may be permitted on parking lots/decks designated on the aforesaid map and in areas designated by appropriate signs/markings.
- (3) Parking areas. The available parking areas on the land and property of the university of Akron are governed by uAkronpark. Further information can be found at <https://www.uakronpark.com>.
- (4) Parking permits. Parking permits will be required of all visitors, staff and students whenever and wherever parking upon the land and property of the university. Parking permits can be purchased through uAkronpark at <https://www.uakronpark.com>.

(E) Procedures.

- (1) Police powers. The university of Akron police department and its police officers are authorized and directed to enforce these regulations by arrest, upon view or information, of anyone found violating the laws and regulations of the state of Ohio, local ordinances, or these regulations; or, in the alternative, to serve notice of such violations either upon the person found violating the same, or upon the motor vehicle found in violation of the same. Parking and transportation services and the agents thereof are also authorized and directed to enforce these regulations to the extent that they may serve notice of parking violations either upon the person found violating the same or upon the motor vehicle found in violation of same. Said notice, if served, shall provide notice



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of the violation claimed, the location of the violation, the time of the violation, and notice of the rights of the person accused of the violation.

- (2) Service of notice of violation and election to pay penalty. Notice of violation may be served either upon the person violating university of Akron motor vehicle, traffic and parking regulations, or upon the motor vehicle or owner of such motor vehicle found in violation of same.

(F) Miscellaneous provisions.

- (1) Towing and impounding procedures. University of Akron police officers are authorized to provide for the removal and/or impounding of a motor vehicle under the following circumstances:
 - (a) If the motor vehicle is parked within ten feet of a fire hydrant, or within thirty feet of a "Stop" sign.
 - (b) If a motor vehicle is parked in such a manner as to block a driveway or other motor vehicles, block a service entrance, create a hazard to public safety, impede construction and/or maintenance requirements, or block pedestrian traffic.
 - (c) If an improper state license is displayed on a motor vehicle.
 - (d) If a motor vehicle is parked in an area where "No Parking" signs are situated, in an area which is otherwise reasonably designated to prohibit parking or in an area where parking is not reasonably intended (e.g., university sidewalks, lawns, etc.).
 - (e) If a motor vehicle is parked in a parking zone not designated for such motor vehicle.
 - (f) If a motor vehicle is abandoned or in the process of repair on university property; provided that a motor vehicle shall be determined abandoned if it continuously occupies any parking space for forty-eight consecutive hours.
 - (g) If a parking space has been designated by suitable signs and/or markings for the exclusive use of disabled persons or persons transporting disabled persons and a motor vehicle is parked in such zone whereby the motor vehicle does not belong to a disabled person or person transporting a disabled person.



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- (h) If a motor vehicle has been stolen or operated without the consent of the owner.
- (i) If a motor vehicle has been used in or connected with the commission of a felony.
- (j) If a motor vehicle has been damaged or wrecked so as to be inoperable whereby its continued operation would constitute a condition hazardous to life, limb or property.
- (k) Upon the removal and/or impounding of a motor vehicle, under the above set forth conditions, a towing charge and additional storage and/or an impound fee will be assessed by the removing agency; and any violation penalty will be similarly assessed in accordance with these regulations.

Motor vehicles which are impounded shall not be released to the owner until the impounding and storage fees are paid in full.

If the owner or owner's representative claiming an impounded motor vehicle furnishes evidence of his or her identity and ownership, makes payment of all fees for violation of any provisions of these motor vehicle, traffic and parking regulations, and pays the towing charge and storage fee to the lot where the motor vehicle has been impounded, or the impounding fee of the university, such impounded motor vehicle shall be released to him or her.

- (2) The university of Akron assumes no responsibility for the care and protection of any vehicle or its contents at any time while it is operated or parked on land and property of the university. All vehicles should be locked and secured when left unattended.
- (3) The operator of a motor vehicle when involved in an accident on land and property of the university of Akron resulting in property damage or personal injury shall report such accidents to the university police department immediately.

(G) Prescribed penalties - motor vehicle, traffic and parking regulations.

- (1) As provided in paragraphs (E)(1) and (E)(2) of this rule, violation notices shall also contain a schedule of penalties provided for violation of these paragraphs. The following penalties for violations of these regulations, or of state law or local ordinances, are provided as those which a person accused of violation shall be permitted to pay to avoid further prosecution of said violation:

- (a) Failure to display a valid permit.



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- (b) Parking in an area for which permit is unauthorized and/or invalid.
- (c) Parking in a prohibited area marked by signs/markers.
- (d) Parking out of bounds.
 - (i) Parking in a drive, doorway, or loading zone.
 - (ii) Parking on sidewalk or grass.
 - (iii) Parking outside of lines or beyond the boundaries of bumper blocks.
- (e) Expired parking meter.
- (f) Exceeded posted time limit.
- (g) Failure to heed directional signs.
- (h) Blocking a driveway, doorway, loading zone, sidewalk, or vehicle.
- (i) Disregarding the instructions of an officer or parking employee.
- (j) Parking in a fire lane.
- (k) Parking in a disabled access area.
- (l) Displaying a false, altered, forged, lost, or stolen permit.
- (m) Parking in a disabled access area.

(2) Whoever violates paragraphs (G)(1)(a) to (G)(1)(m) of this rule shall be fined according to the then most current fine schedule as approved by the board of trustees and as thereafter amended from time to time.

(H) Ultimate disciplinary action. In any event, and in addition to other powers of enforcement, any person violating the provisions of these regulations shall be subject to such disciplinary action by university authorities as may be provided by the rules and regulations of the board of trustees as may be deemed appropriate by the disciplinary authorities as provided in said rules.