

# Moped / Motor Scooter Parking Policy

## Purpose

This policy regulates the parking and use of Mopeds and Motor Scooters on campus to improve safety and reduce conflicts with pedestrian, moped and other vehicular traffic.

## Definitions

The following definitions are specific to the UW-Madison Campus and may vary from other city, county, or state definitions:

- **Mopeds** are defined as motorized vehicles with two wheels tandem, an electric motor or gasoline engine with a combustion chamber of 50 cubic centimeters or less and have a DOT issued Moped plate. Mopeds have pedals.
- **Motor Scooters** are defined as motorized vehicles with two wheels tandem, an electric motor or gasoline engine with a combustion chamber of 50 cubic centimeters or less and have a DOT issued Moped/Motor Scooter plate. Motor Scooters do not have pedals.
- **An Operator** is defined as a person who drives or is in actual physical control of a moped.
- **The Registered Owner** is defined as the person to whom the moped is registered as owner through the Department of Transportation (DOT).

## Policy

- All Mopeds/Motor Scooters must be operated in accordance with Local, State, Federal and UW-Madison Campus regulations. Improperly operated or non-permitted Mopeds/Motor Scooters may be cited by designated authorities.
- Moped/Motor Scooter parking permits may be purchased online at [www.transportation.wisc.edu](http://www.transportation.wisc.edu).
- One parking permit will be issued per Moped/Motor Scooter assignment.
- Moped permit is valid in designated moped lot only or in lots signed as “all access”. If the designated moped lot is full, notify Transportation Services and park in the nearest “all access” moped lot.
- Moped/Motor Scooter parking permits must be visible from the front of the vehicle by Field Services staff. Remove all expired moped permits before affixing the new permit. Failure to properly affix the permit may result in a citation.
- Moped/Motor Scooter parking permits may not be transferred or sold.
- If customer has an Annual Base Lot Permit displayed on a Moped/Motor Scooter in a visible and secure manner, the moped may park in a permit stall in their assigned lot.
- Mopeds/Motor Scooters must be registered to the current owner and display a valid license plate to park on campus. Mopeds/Motor Scooters not displaying a current and valid license plate may be cited and towed. Citations issued to illegally parked Mopeds/Motor Scooters are the responsibility of the registered owner of the vehicle.
- Moped/Motor Scooter permits will be held for pickup at location designated by Transportation Services.

## Restrictions

- Moped/Motor Scooter parking permits are not valid in restricted areas; such as fire lanes, meters, reserved stalls, annual permit stalls, disabled stalls, motorcycle stalls, loading zones, construction areas, sidewalks, disabled access aisles, driveways, grass areas or lots staffed during Special Events.
- Moped/Motor Scooters are prohibited in the gated section of visitor garages and ramps.
- Mopeds/Motor Scooters may not park at or near Bicycle racks or Bicycle Parking areas on the UW Campus.
- Mopeds/Motor Scooters may not be parked or locked to utility poles, trees, bollards, railings, sign posts or fences. Improperly parked or abandoned Mopeds/Motor Scooters are subject to citing, towing or impounding by designated authorities.
- Mopeds/Motor Scooters may not be driven on a sidewalk, pedestrian walkway, pedestrian mall, service drive or wheelchair ramp unless the area is specifically designated for use by motorized vehicles by signs or pavement markings.
- Mopeds/Motor Scooters with an electric motor or gasoline engine may not be operated or parked on a bicycle path or lane.
- Mopeds/Motor Scooters may not be taken into or parked in buildings.
- Mopeds/Motor Scooters cannot be stored (parked for more than 72 hours) without authorization from UW Transportation Services except at Moped/Motor Scooter parking areas assigned to and located next to University residence halls. Unauthorized vehicles may be cited or towed.
- A maximum of two (2) Mopeds/Motor Scooters may be parked in a metered parking spaced designed for automobiles if the meter displays time.
- Refunds will not be issued for lost/stolen Moped/Motor Scooter parking permits. A replacement permit may be purchased at the pro-rated replacement cost.
- All citations and other unpaid fees due to UW Transportation Services must be paid prior to applying or accepting an annual permit assignment.
- Transportation Services has the authority to close a lot for construction, maintenance or safety issues. Permit holders will be notified in advance of lot closures.

## Related References

- Motorcycle Permit Policy
- Citation Policy
- UW Police Webpage <http://www.uwpd.wisc.edu/>

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