

CARPOOL PERMIT FAQ

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Questions? Email carpool@fpm.wisc.edu

These questions are specific to the Carpool Permit program.

What are my carpool options at UW – Madison / UW Hospital?

Transportation Services at UW-Madison administers a carpool program for faculty, staff and UW Hospital employees. Two options are offered in the carpool program. The first option, Carpool Registration, is to register carpoolers associated with an existing annual UW permit. One member of the applying carpool must have an annual parking permit (ex. Base Lot or Flex permit). The second option is to apply for a Carpool Permit. In order to apply for a Carpool Permit you must have at least 3 people in the carpool and none of them can already have an annual Base Lot permit. Of course, you can also carpool to UW – Madison without registering your carpool or obtaining a carpool specific permit. More information about your options is available at <http://transportation.wisc.edu/transportation/carpool.aspx>.

What's the benefit of applying for a carpool permit?

The carpool permit application process is separate from the annual base lot application process. This means carpool permits are offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Carpools don't need to participate in the normal base lot application process, meaning they have a better chance of getting a permit in their first choice lot.

How much does a carpool permit cost? How can I pay?

Carpool permits are the same price as base lot permits of that lot. Carpool permits are also pro-rated just like an annual base lot permit. Carpool permit payment is the responsibility of the carpool captain and payroll deduction, credit card, check and cash are accepted. Transportation Services cannot split payment among members. Carpools may make their own arrangements for sharing the permit cost.

Which member of my carpool should apply for the carpool permit?

Consider the following factors: Are any members planning to leave employment? How will the carpool pay for the permit? Which lot would the carpool like to park in? If the permit applicant applies and selects payroll deduction, how often is their paycheck processed? All of these questions are important to consider when applying for a permit.

How do I apply for a carpool permit?

Once you decide which member should apply for the carpool permit, that person should collect information from the carpool members and apply for the permit on our website. We need the following information for each carpool member: Name, Wiscard or Hospital ID number, email and home address. Complete the application here:

<http://transportation.wisc.edu/forms/CarpoolRegistration.aspx>

How do I cancel my carpool/add a member/remove a member?

Email carpool@fpm.wisc.edu with information about the changes to your carpool. If a carpool with a carpool permit drops below three members, that carpool has 30 days to find a new member. The permit will be canceled after 30 days if the carpool is no longer eligible for the permit.

Which lots have carpool permits available?

Carpool permits are available in the following lots. More lots may be added in the future depending upon demand.

- 6 Helen C. White Garage
- 7 Granger Hall Garage
- 17 Engineering Drive Ramp
- 29 North Park Street Ramp
- 34 Tripp Hall
- 36 Observatory Drive Ramp
- 46 Lake & Johnson Ramp
- 60 800 Walnut Street
- 62 Veterinary Medicine / Natatorium
- 76 University Bay Ramp

What if I don't want to apply for a carpool permit?

Carpool permits are optional and carpools are not required to apply. You can ride with your carpool to campus and park with any valid permit.

What's the best way to form a carpool?

The best way to form a carpool is to register as a rider or driver (or both) with Rideshare Etc. Visit www.rideshareetc.org to register! Another good bet is to ask coworkers or neighbors if they would be interested in the benefits of carpooling. Transportation Services cannot suggest matches.