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New Parking Rates and Policies for 2018–2019

UW–Madison Transportation Services has announced parking permit rates for the 2018-2019 parking year (Sept. 1, 2018–Aug. 31, 2019). It is year five of the six-year conversion plan to a two-tier system. By 2019-20, the plan places all parking structures and high-demand surface lots into one category, and all remaining surface lots in another. The six-year conversion plan avoids the need for a large, one-time increase in parking permit rates.

Parking Permit Costs
- Depending on the lot, base lot permits will increase 3 percent or 10 percent.
- Afternoon permit prices will increase by 3 percent.
- Night permit costs will not change.

Cost of Annual Bus Pass
The price for the 2018–2019 employee bus pass will increase from $36 to $48. This is a result of the recent federal tax reform, which imposes taxes on UW–Madison for subsidizing transit passes. The increase will cover a very small portion of UW–Madison’s tax expense.

UW–Madison will continue to subsidize employee bus passes as a low-cost option for commuting to work.

Parking Policy Change for Gated Lots
All gated lots will have the gates down at all times. Lots 17, 20, 36, and 76 will continue to be available for parking on the weekend at no charge. People will pull a ticket to enter and use the ticket to exit at no charge. Annual permit holders will see no change; their permits will let them in to their assigned lots at all times.

UW–Madison Transportation Services, a division of Facilities Planning and Management, does not receive state funding. Transportation Services must generate revenue to pay for parking lots and facilities, bus service, and alternate transportation activities required by the federal and state government.

For more details, visit go.wisc.edu/jj4p18.