Campus Security

Traffic and Parking

Each student, faculty member, and employee of Western Texas College who operates or parks a motor vehicle on the WTC campus must register the vehicle with the Security Office in Building 15, Rm. 113, and secure an official WTC parking tag with a permit number.

PARKING PERMITS
The hanging parking permit must be visible from the outside of the vehicle, and is designed to be displayed from the driver's rear view mirror. Although the permit may be used on different vehicles, the registered individual will remain responsible for parking violations.

A special resident permit is required to park in Residence Facility parking lots. Students who do not return to a residence facility but continue as students at WTC must obtain a commuter student parking permit. ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS MUST DISPLAY A PARKING PERMIT.

HANDICAPPED ZONE PARKING
To obtain a permit to park in a Handicapped Zone, the student must present their documentation enabling them to qualify for a state handicapped license plate or a state issued handicapped permit to the Security Office. This is a one-time only requirement. An official handicapped permit must be prominently displayed while parked in a handicapped space on the campus.

TEMPORARY PARKING PERMITS
It is necessary for a temporary student (continuing education, correctional officers, etc.) to obtain a temporary permit from the Security Office. Sponsoring departments may obtain, control, and distribute such date sensitive permits.

PARKING IN DESIGNATED AREAS
Motor vehicles may only be parked in DESIGNATED AREAS. Fire zones are painted red, loading zones are painted with yellow slashes or designated with signs, and visitor spaces are painted white. Parking in a loading or fire zone may result in the vehicle being towed. All other parking, unless designated as “reserved,” is open on a first come basis. The covered parking area is reserved for paying WTC employees, and students are prohibited from parking in this area. For a visual representation, see the campus map at wtc.edu/Information/campusmap.

Parking violations may result in a warning or ticket with a fine.
UNAUTHORIZED PARKING AREAS
Certain areas on campus have been designated as “NO PARKING” with a sign indicating that “UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED AWAY.” The vehicle can be reclaimed when the owner contacts the wrecker service and pays the tow fee.

LOADING ZONES
Parking is not permitted in loading zones. These areas are to be used for loading or unloading purposes only. Signs designate these zones.

SERVICE ROADS
Only emergency and college maintenance vehicles are authorized to stop or park on service roads.

ENTRANCE AND EXIT ZONES
No vehicles are permitted to stop or park at entrance or exit zones at parking lots. Parking is only authorized at DESIGNATED areas within a parking lot.

VIOLATIONS
The following violations may be cited by college officials or their representatives:

1. Illegal parking in the visitors’ area.
2. Illegal parking in the handicapped area.
3. Illegal parking in loading zones & service roads.
4. Parking incorrectly.
5. Illegal parking in a fire lane.
6. Other violations as defined on the citation.

There is an escalating scale of fines that accompanies parking violations:

- First Offense ........ $25.00
- Second Offense .... $50.00
- Third offense ........ $100.00

Payments of fines for parking violations are to be made to the Business Office within one week from the date of the ticket.

Students who have unpaid fines may have a hold placed on their school account. Student appeals for parking or traffic violations must be made in writing to the Student Welfare Committee through the Vice President & Dean of Students within three days of the offense.

Faculty and staff may appeal directly to the Director of Campus Safety and Security.

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