3.006 Traffic & Parking; Definitions.

(1) The operation and parking of a motor vehicle on the University of Florida campus is a privilege granted by the University rather than a right. All vehicles parked on campus during hours of restriction must properly display a University parking decal or permit. A parking decal is not a guarantee of a parking space. Each vehicle operator is responsible for finding a legal parking space. Lack of a space is not a valid excuse for violating any parking regulation. Parking meters are located throughout the campus for visitors to the University. Transportation and Parking Services operates a pay parking facilities for campus visitors at the Welcome Center Garage and adjacent to Shands Hospital for use by patients and patient visitors to Shands Hospital and the J. Hillis Miller Health Center. The University assumes no liability for damage to vehicles operated or parked on the campus. Any such damage is a risk assumed by the owner or operator of the motor vehicle.

(2) The following are definitions of words and phrases used in the regulations governing traffic, parking and registration of vehicles on the University of Florida campus.

(a) Back-in parking – Parking a vehicle so that the front end is facing the drive aisle and rear facing license plate is not visible.

(b) Bicycle—Includes every vehicle propelled solely by human power and every motorized bicycle as defined in Section 316.003(2), Fla. Stat.

(c) Business Days—All days except weekends and official University holidays.

(d) Campus—Includes all of the property of the University of Florida located in
Gainesville or adjacent areas.

(e) Decal—Instrument displayed on the vehicle allowing parking in designated areas when space is available.

(f) Employee—Any employee of the University of Florida including faculty, TEAMS, University Support Personnel System staff and Other Personnel Services (non-student) staff, and any (non-student) employee of Shands Hospital. For the purpose of these regulations, non-student employees of University direct support organizations and non-university organizations contracted to provide services to the University shall have the same parking privileges as University employees.

(g) False Registration—Applying for, receiving or displaying a parking permit or decal by showing or giving false information or by other fraudulent means which shall include reproducing, altering or defacing a decal, a permit or any other document used for registration or used in lieu of a valid registration.

(h) Impound—To tow a vehicle away from the place in which it is parked, to boot a vehicle by use of an immobilization device, or to seize and hold legal custody of a vehicle.

(i) Micromobility Device – Any small transportation device powered by a motor, with or without a seat or saddle for the use of the rider, which is not capable of traveling at a speed greater than 20 miles per hour on level ground, used to travel short distances. This term includes e-bicycles, motorized bicycles, scooters, e-scooters, motorized scooters, one-wheels and skateboards as defined in the Florida Statutes 316.2065, 316.2128. This term excludes wheelchairs, golf carts and other low speed vehicles (LSV’s).

(j) Moped—Includes all vehicles described in Section 316.003(77), Fla. Stat.

(k) Motorcycle and Motor Scooter—Includes all motor vehicles with two (2) or three
(3) wheels.

   (l) Motor Vehicle—Includes all vehicles other than bicycles, mopeds and Segways.

   (m) Parking Space—Areas governed by the University of Florida parking regulations with parking spaces delineated by white, yellow or blue striping, a parking meter or physical barriers delineating parking parameters.

   (n) Permit—A card temporarily displayed in the vehicle allowing parking for a specified period of time in designated areas as space is available.

   (o) Registration—Providing valid and accurate information to obtain authorization to operate and park a vehicle on campus by receiving an appropriate decal or permit for a specified area(s).

   (p) Restricted Area—An area within which an automobile may be parked only if it bears the appropriate decal or permit for that area.

   (q) Reserved Space—An individual parking space, as approved by the President, appropriately marked for a particular license tag number, individual, position or purpose.

   (r) Restricted Hours—The hours between 7:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, unless otherwise indicated.

   (s) Service Area or Drive—Parking areas reserved only for properly identified service or emergency vehicles, commercial vehicles, or vehicles bearing proper authorization from Transportation and Parking Services. Service Areas or Drives are delineated by signs or pavement markings.

   (t) Student—Includes all persons not classified as an employee as defined in paragraph (f) above, carrying one or more credit hours of graduate or undergraduate work. This includes students from other institutions who enroll in courses on campus.
(u) Student Classification—The student’s classification as established by the University of Florida Registrar.

(v) Transportation and Parking Services—The University unit responsible for issuing decals and permits for parking on campus and for collecting parking fees and parking fines. It is located on campus at 1273 Gale Lemerand Drive, (352) 392-7275 (voice) and (352) 846-0304 (facsimile), and the mailing address is P.O. Box 112400, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32611. Its hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. except on University holidays.

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