Regulation 8.3.R3 – TRAFFIC AND PARKING RULES

1. Introduction

(1) This Regulation may be cited as ‘The University of Melbourne Traffic and Parking Rules (2012)’, referred to in this Regulation as ‘the Rules’.

(2) The Rules govern traffic and parking on all University premises and penalties may apply to a breach of the Rules.

(3) The executive director (property and campus services) or nominee is the person duly authorised by Council to have the principal responsibility for traffic and parking matters and to make decisions under the Rules subject to Section 8.1.

(4) The Rules apply subject to the provisions of the Road Safety Act and the Infringements Act.

2. Definitions

‘driver’ means any person driving or in control of a vehicle;

‘footway’ includes every footpath, lane, or other place intended for the use of pedestrians but not for the use of vehicles;

‘Infringements Act’ means the Infringements Act 2006 (Vic) as amended from time to time;

‘motorised vehicle’ means any vehicle propelled or built to be propelled by motor or electrical means and includes any motor car, motor truck, carriage, motor cycle, motor scooter, or other conveyance of whatever kind or nature and howsoever ridden, driven or propelled, but does not include a gator, buggy or motorised wheelchair capable of speeds of not more than 10 kilometres per hour;

‘non-motorised vehicle’ means non-motorised vehicles designed to be propelled solely by human power such as bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, non-motorised scooters and other similar forms of non-motorised transport;

‘park’ means to leave a vehicle standing (whether attended or not);

‘Parking Infringement Notice’ means a notification issued under the Road Safety Act 1986 (Vic) as amended from time to time;

‘parking permit’ means a parking permit issued by the University, giving permission to the holder to park a vehicle pursuant to the Rules;

‘public parking ticket’ means a ticket issued by the University for a fee giving permission to park on a causal basis pursuant to these Rules;

‘Road Safety Act’ means the Road Safety Act 1986 (Vic) as amended from time to time;

‘roadway’ means any road, street, lane or thoroughfare open to and intended for use by vehicles;

‘staff’ includes honorary staff and salaried employees of the University;
‘traffic officer’ means a person duly authorised by the executive director (property and campus services) or nominee to enforce the Rules;

‘University property’ means all University premises, fittings, furniture, equipment, materials and other objects owned, occupied or controlled by the University;

‘University premises’ means all buildings and grounds owned, occupied or controlled by the University, including the Parkville campus and the Southbank campus;

3. Application of the Rules

(1) These Rules apply to all University premises at all times.

(2) Every driver must at all times observe and comply with-

(a) pedestrian rights of way within University premises;

(b) all parking and traffic signs;

(c) all instructions and directions of any traffic officer; and

(d) the *Road Safety Act* and associated regulations.

4. Parking is at own risk

The University accepts no responsibility whatsoever for any loss or damage that may occur while a vehicle is within University premises even if caused by the negligence of the University, its officers or agents. Parking is at the risk of the owner.

5. Rules applying to traffic

(1) A person who drives a motorised vehicle on University premises must-

(a) only drive on a roadway or within a parking or service area; and

(b) not exceed 15 kilometres per hour unless a sign permits a higher speed.

(2) A person who rides or uses a non-motorised vehicle must not ride or use the non-motorised vehicle, unless otherwise authorised by a traffic officer-

(b) on any footway unless expressly permitted by signage;

(c) in any building; or

(d) so as to cause or risk injury to any person or damage to University property.

6. Rules applying to parking

(1) A person must not park a motorised vehicle on University premises unless-

(a) the vehicle bears a valid parking permit or the vehicle bears a valid public parking ticket and the vehicle is parked in a University car park which corresponds with the permit or parking ticket;
(b) the vehicle is to the satisfaction of a traffic officer, engaged in collecting or making a delivery or collecting or dropping off a visitor to the University and is parked in an area designated for this purpose; or

(c) the vehicle is parked in accordance with signage in an area on University premises which permits free parking.

(2) A person must not park a motor cycle or motor scooter on a footway. Motor cycles and motor scooters must be parked in an area expressly designated as a parking area for motor cycles or motor scooters.

(3) A person must not park or leave a bicycle or other non-motorised vehicle in a position or manner which impedes use of handrails or facilities designed to assist people with a disability or which could obstruct vehicles or pedestrians.

7. Breach of rules and penalties

(1) Penalties apply to breaches of the Road Safety Act and of these Rules and all references to a breach of the Rules include a reference to any relevant provision of the Road Safety Act.

(2) If any of these Rules are breached with respect to parking, any traffic officer may issue a Parking Infringement Notice ('PIN'), in accordance with the Road Safety Act, requiring the owner, driver or any other person responsible to pay a fine.

(3) A breach of these Rules which does not relate to parking, may result in-

(a) referral of the matter to the police;

(b) staff or student disciplinary action being taken under the University’s respective disciplinary statutes, regulations and policies if the breach is by a staff member or student of the University; or

(c) revocation of permission to be on University premises or to bring any vehicle onto University premises or refusal of permission to come onto University premises or to bring any vehicle on to University premises in future.

(4) Where a vehicle is parked or left standing or driven by a person in contravention of the Rules, the registered owner of the vehicle will be held responsible under the Rules for the contravention, notwithstanding that another person was responsible, unless and until a person is identified to the satisfaction of the executive director (property and campus services) or nominee as the person who contravened the Rules.

(5) The executive director (property and campus services) or nominee may, at their discretion, deny a person permission to bring any vehicle onto University premises if they have concerns that the person will not use the vehicle in a safe manner or the person has previously breached rules 5 or 6.

(6) Any non-motorised vehicle left in a position so as to cause an obstruction to any vehicle or pedestrian or impede ramps or facilities designed to assist persons with a disability may be moved or impounded by the University. This will be at the expense and risk of the owner.
8. Amount of fee or penalty

(1) The prescribed fees payable for parking permits and public parking are as fixed from time to time by the Senior Vice-Principal or nominee.

(2) The penalty applicable to a contravention of the Rules with respect to parking will be such amount as fixed from time to time by the *Road Safety Act*.

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