

**WAC 132F-116-073 Fines, immobilization, and impounding.** (1) The current schedule of fines shall be published by the district and made available for review online and prominently displayed on campus.

(2) All fines are due upon receipt of the citation and must be paid as designated on the citation within 20 calendar days from the date of the citation. Fines must be delivered in person to a college cashier's office, paid online, or postmarked on or before the due date specified in these rules to avoid additional penalties. If any citation has neither been paid nor appealed after 20 calendar days from the date of the citation, the institution shall impose an additional fine of \$10 per offense and may:

- (a) Impound or immobilize the violator's vehicle;
- (b) Deny future parking privileges to the violator;
- (c) Refuse to issue keys to a violator who is an employee or student;
- (d) Refer outstanding balances associated with unpaid fines for collection in accordance with applicable statutes and institutional procedure.

(3) In addition to imposing fines, campus safety officers, commuter services employees, or authorized contractors or agents may immobilize and/or impound any vehicle parked on campus in violation of these rules. Grounds for impounding or immobilizing vehicles shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (a) Blocking a roadway so as to impede the flow of traffic;
- (b) Blocking a walkway so as to impede the flow of pedestrian traffic;
- (c) Blocking a fire hydrant or fire lane;
- (d) Creating a safety hazard;
- (e) Blocking another legally parked vehicle;
- (f) Parking in a marked "tow-away" zone;
- (g) Leaving a vehicle unattended on campus for longer than two days, unless the vehicle has a valid student housing resident permit;
- (h) Failing to pay a fine(s) imposed under this chapter;
- (i) Parking a vehicle on campus that has no license plate(s) and no observable vehicle identification number.

(4) Not more than one business day after impoundment or immobilization of any motor vehicle, commuter services shall mail a notice to the registered owner of the vehicle and to any other person who claims the right to possession of the vehicle, if those persons can be identified. Similar notice shall be given to each person who seeks to redeem an immobilized or impounded motor vehicle. If a motor vehicle is redeemed prior to the mailing of the notice, the notice may not be mailed. The notice shall contain the date of immobilization or impoundment, reason for the action, the location of the motor vehicle if impounded, redemption procedures, and an opportunity to contest the immobilization or impoundment. The institutions shall not be liable for loss or damage of any kind resulting from impounding, immobilization, or storage.

All parking fines, fees, the cost of immobilization and/or impoundment (e.g., booting, towing, and storage fees) must be paid prior to the removal of an immobilization device or the release of an impounded motor vehicle. Impounded motor vehicles shall be redeemed only by the registered owner who has a valid driver's license or a person authorized by the registered owner who has a valid driver's license and who produces proof of authorization and signs a receipt for the motor vehicle. Proof of ownership may be required before a vehicle is released from immobilization or impound.

(5) An accumulation of traffic violations by a student may be cause for discipline under the student conduct code of the student's college.

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