

Human Powered Vehicle and Other Conveyances Parking & Traffic Regulations

1.1.1 Purpose

The Public Safety Parking office encourages the use of bicycle and other transportation but recognizes that it is necessary to establish campus regulations for the safety of pedestrians, bicycle operators, and the campus population.

For the purpose of this policy, human powered vehicles will be defined as vehicles that include but are not limited to bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, roller blades, segways, carts, scooters, and other conveyances. Persons operating wheelchairs are considered to be pedestrians as defined under Idaho Code. Wheelchairs must be operated in a safe and courteous manner.

This policy is designed to reflect the intent of the University to create an environment of personal safety for students, faculty, staff, and guests, and to reduce the potential for property damage.

1.1.2 Authority

The Parking Board has adopted the Idaho traffic code and the Pocatello City traffic code, both of which regulates human powered vehicles on campus and has empowered ISU Public Safety to enforce these regulations. The parking regulations can be found at the following website: <http://www.isu.edu/pubsafe/parking/parkregs.shtml>.

In addition to campus regulations, all violations occurring on campus streets are subject to moving violation citations issued by the Public Safety Department.

1.1.3 Definitions

1. **Bicycle Lane** refers to the single line of bicycle traffic within the bicycle path or route.
2. **Bicycle Parking Space/Rack** refers to limited areas designated for parking and fastening a bicycle to blocks, racks, or a specific space.
3. **Bicycle Path** refers to a completely separated right-of-way designated exclusively for bicycle use.
4. **Non-Motorized Transportation** refers to walking, the use of wheelchairs (motorized and non-motorized), golf carts, bicycles (electric and pedal), tricycles, unicycles, skateboards, roller skates, roller-blades, segways, and animals in the equine family.
5. **Bicycle Locker** refers to an individual secure compartment with a locked door that holds one or two bicycles. Access is permitted only to authorized individuals.

1.1.4 Idaho Traffic Codes

1. 41-253 PROHIBITS BLOCKING OR IMPEDING BLDG. EXITS.
2. 49-615 DRIVERS TO EXERCISE DUE CARE.
3. 49-654 BASIC RULE AND MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS.
4. 49-707 PEDESTRIANS' RIGHT-OF-WAY ON SIDEWALKS.
5. 49-714 TRAFFIC LAWS APPLY TO PERSONS ON BICYCLES AND OTHER HUMAN-POWERED VEHICLES.
6. 49-715 RIDING ON BICYCLES.
7. 49-716 CLINGING TO OR FOLLOWING VEHICLES.
8. 49-719 CARRYING ARTICLES.
9. 49-721 BICYCLES ON SIDEWALKS.
10. 49-722 BICYCLES RACING.
11. 49-723 LIGHT AND REFLECTOR REQUIRED AT NIGHT.

1.1.5 Operation of Bicycle and Non Motorized Devices/Vehicles and Other Conveyances

Bicycles and other conveyances may be operated only on sidewalks, streets, roadways, bike paths, routes and areas specifically designated for bicycle riding.

1. Enforcement
 - A. Regulations governing restricted parking areas and traffic regulations are enforced twenty-four (24) hours a day, three hundred and sixty-five days a year.
2. Knowledge of the Rules
 - A. Lack of knowledge of these regulations will not be accepted as grounds for dismissal of citations.
3. Parking Areas
 - A. Bicycle parking is available throughout campus and is designated by the presence of bicycle racks, blocks, lockers and/or specifically designated parking areas (bicycle enclosures). Bicycles must be parked only within the boundaries of designated parking areas and/or property attached to a bike rack or bike block. Parking and/or

placement of any non motorized devices not covered under these regulations must be approved by the Public Safety Department.

- B. Parking racks/blocks are not to be utilized as long term bicycle storage. Bicycles that are in a state of disrepair parked at blocks or racks and appearing to be abandoned are subject to impoundment.
- C. The use of bicycle racks is provided on a “first come, first served” basis. Registration does not guarantee a space in a bicycle rack.

4. Restricted Parking Areas

- A. Bicycles shall be parked in accordance with federal, state, and local fire and safety regulations.

Bicycles and other conveyances identified in this policy shall not be used, parked, or stored:

- (1) In any University building not designated for their use.
 - (2) Against or fastened to any tree, plant, bush, or foliage.
 - (3) Against or fastened to any water, steam or gas pipe, fitting, electrical fixture, fence, sign post, railing, public seating fixture, or emergency safety device.
 - (4) Upon or attached to any ingress/egress ramp, stairway or stairwell railing or otherwise fastened to or blocking any exit/entrance to any University building.
 - (5) In any locked, controlled entry enclosure if access has not been authorized by the Public Safety Department.
 - (6) In any other area where parking is specifically prohibited by these regulations or by signs.
- B. Public Safety may be parked in violation of regulations to allow officers quick response to calls/circumstances.
 - C. The University assumes no responsibility for the care and protection of any bicycle or non-motorized device or its contents at anytime the vehicle is on University property; nor shall the University be held liable for damages to the bicycles or locks of impounded or stored bicycles.

5. Responsibility for Citations

- A. Each pedestrian and non-motorized device owner/operator/registrant shall be responsible for all citations issued to him/her personally or to the vehicle.

6. Traffic Regulations
 - A. Bicycles and other conveyances shall not be operated in any areas where they are restricted by regulation or signs.
 - B. Riders shall have all of the rights and duties of a pedestrian when walking their bikes.
 - C. You must walk your bike anywhere signs are posted designating such activity.
 - D. Shall not be operated in any unsafe or hazardous manner.
7. Operator Riding Requirements
 - A. A rider/operator shall always be in control of the vehicle by having at least one hand in contact with the handlebars, feet in contact with the pedals, and shall ride sitting astride and upon the permanent and regular seat. The bicycle cannot be loaded as to obstruct the operator's clear view of the road or interfere with the operation of the bicycle.
8. Passenger Riding Requirements
 - A. A bicycle shall carry only the number of persons for which it is designed and equipped.
 - B. Persons riding bicycles, skateboards, roller-skates, or other forms of coasters shall not attach themselves to any vehicle (motorized or non-motorized) on the roadway.
9. Hand Signals
 - A. Hand signals are required when turning from a direct course.
10. Bicycle to the Right
 - A. Bicycles must be operated only in the direction of traffic flow and as near to the right side of the roadway as practical.
11. Rules of the Road - Campus Bicycle Routes/Paths
 - A. Human powered vehicles will, at all times, be operated in a safe and courteous manner. Operators of human powered vehicles are responsible to be aware of their own safety and the safety of those around them. **Skateboards and scooters are not to be ridden within 20 feet of any building where glass windows are less than 3 feet above the level of the ground. There is to be no skateboarding under the Hypostyle or on the sidewalk near any building entrances or the Dillon Street side of the Hypostyle.**

All bicycles, human powered vehicles, or other conveyances shall:

1. Not be secured to handrails or impede the ingress or egress to any building or create a safety hazard.
 2. Not be operated in areas where sign/s prohibits their use.
 3. Not to be used in any building not designated for their use.
 4. Not to be used to leap upon or over objects.
 5. Not to be used on stairs.
 6. Travel at a reasonable rate of speed on all university sidewalks and property.
 7. Not race except in an authorized racing event with a designated route.
 8. Yield to all pedestrian traffic.
 9. Give an audible signal before passing a pedestrian.
 10. Obey all applicable traffic laws as contained in the Idaho Traffic Code, IC Title 49.
 11. Obey all rules as promulgated by ISU Parking.
 12. Not carry more than one person. An adult rider on a bicycle may carry a child securely attached to his person in a backpack or sling or in a child carrier attached to the bicycle.
 13. Not cling to moving vehicles.
 14. Be operated with appropriate lights and reflectors as contained in Idaho Traffic Code, IC Title 49.
 15. Not carry articles, packages, or bundles which prevent the safe operation of the vehicle or prevent the operator of the bicycle from using at least one (1) hand in the control and operation of the bicycle.
- B. Rules of the road applicable to automobiles on streets/roadways/highways shall apply to bicycles operated on bicycle routes/paths in the same manner as they apply to automobiles operated on streets/roadways/highways.
- C. An operator of a bicycle or other conveyance as required by these regulations and/or state law shall adhere to all regulatory signs and/or traffic control devices on bicycle routes/paths.
- D. Operators of bicycle or other conveyances riding in a bicycle route/path parallel to the roadway shall observe all traffic signals, yield signs, or stop signs facing the roadway.

- E. A bicycle or other conveyance shall be operated upon all bicycle routes/paths only in those bicycle lanes which are to the right of the center lane except:
 - (1) When overtaking or passing another bicycle proceeding in the same direction.
 - (2) When passing and obstruction.
 - (3) When a bicycle route/path is designated and posted by a sign as a one-way path.
 - (4) Give an audible signal before passing a pedestrian.
- F. Rate of speed on bicycle routes/paths shall not exceed 15 mph.
- G. All pedestrians and non-motorized device operators are held responsible for knowledge of state traffic regulations in addition to obtaining, reading, and complying with the University parking and traffic regulations for non-motorized transportation.
- H. Inappropriate cases, University affiliated persons or non University affiliated persons may be prohibited from riding or using bicycles.
- I. Inappropriate cases, non University affiliated persons may be ordered to leave University property.
- J. Inappropriate cases involving University affiliated persons may be referred to the office of Human Resources or the office of Student Affairs.
- K. Exemption - Bicycles used in the course of duty by Public Safety officers are exempt from the University regulations.

12. Yielding to Pedestrians

- A. Whenever a bicycle route/path crosses a pathway used for pedestrian travel, the operator of the bicycle shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian using any such pathway.

13. Impoundment of Non-Motorized Devices/Bicycles

- A. The University maintains the right to place a security device on or to impound, at the expense of the owner/rider or claimant, any non-motorized device/bicycle, or other conveyances here in described which is classified as lost/stolen, abandoned, or operated in violation of these regulations. The University maintains the right to remove security devices attached to vehicles/bicycles for impoundment purposes.
- B. The secured, immobilized, or impounded vehicles/bicycles, or other conveyances may be claimed at the Public Safety Department. All impounded, abandoned, found, or other unclaimed conveyances held for three days or more may be turned over to the Pocatello Police Department.

- C. Anyone who immobilizes a conveyance as defined in this policy or who removes a security device properly placed by Public Safety or another will be subject to fines and a referral for misconduct.
- D. Vehicles/bicycles will be released after the claimant:
 - (1) Provides proof of ownership.
 - (2) Registers the vehicle, if applicable.
 - (3) Pays all outstanding citations, impound fees, release fees, storage fees and any other outstanding fees or citations.
- E. Sales of Unclaimed Vehicles/Bicycles or Other Conveyances
 - (1) All unclaimed conveyances/bicycles may be turned over to the Pocatello Police Department for sale in their annual auction.

1.1.6 Registration

Free courtesy bicycle registration is offered to the University community and may be completed on-line at http://www.isu.edu/pubsafe/crime_prevention/bicycle_reg.shtml. Bicycles brought on campus are subject to University bicycle regulations. Registrations are valid for the duration of ownership. Registration may not be transferred to another person. Liabilities for impound and parking fees and citations incurred are the responsibility of the registrant. Liability for traffic citations is the responsibility of the operator.

1.1.7 Violations and Fines

- 1. Parking Violations
 - A. Blocking and/or parking on any ingress/egress ramp; blocking and/or parking on wheelchair access ways or unauthorized parking in a space designated for the disabled.
 - B. Parking in or blocking fire lanes, exits/entrances to University buildings, or attaching to or blocking emergency safety devices.
 - C. Restricted Parking Areas see section 1.1.5(4).
 - D. Any other violation of these regulations
- 2. Moving Violations
 - A. Parking inside any University building.
 - B. Operating a vehicle/bicycle on a pedestrian sidewalk designated only for pedestrians or in any area restricted by regulation or signs.

- C. Failure to stop at Stop or yield at Yield signs.
 - D. Locking a bicycle to another bicycle, thereby preventing use.
 - E. Impoundment (lock removal).
 - F. Riding without proper lighting equipment in operation between sunset and sunrise.
 - G. Riding in opposite direction of traffic or traffic signs.
 - H. Subsequent offenses are subject to additional citations/fees.
 - I. Walking in a bicycle lane, bicycle route or jaywalking.
 - J. Other violations of these regulations see section 1.1.5.
3. Violators of the above rules will be subject to a fine.
- A. Exemption - Bicycles used in the course of duty by Public Safety officers are exempt from the University regulations.
4. Fines:
- A. Fines will be established by the Parking Board. Those fines not currently specified will be designated in the category of **OTHER** on the citation.
 - B. 1st ticket issued will be assessed at one half (1/2) of the fine amount for motor vehicles. (\$15)
 - C. Subsequent violations will be assessed at the same fine amount for motor vehicles. (\$30)
 - D. Anyone who, without Public Safety authorization, removes a University security device or who places an unauthorized security device on any conveyance will be subject to a fine amount as specified in the category of **OTHER** violations. (\$30)
5. Impound Fees: A fee to release from impound, will be \$10.00.
6. Immobilization fees: A fee to have a security device removed, will be \$10.00.
7. Unsettled violation notice fees may be withheld from the paychecks of faculty and staff.
8. Registration holds may be placed against delinquent student violators; student registration may be canceled in any instance where the student circumvents the system and registers without clearing delinquent violation notices.

9. Chronic or flagrant violators may be referred to the Dean of Students office or the Human Resources office for appropriate disciplinary action.
10. Violations:
 - A. 1st Offense: Verbal/Written Warning or Citation, based on the seriousness of the offense as determined by the officer.
 - B. Subsequent Offenses: Increase fines per violation as specified in the parking regulations of fines.
 - C. May be banned from campus, see section 1.1.5(11).
 - D. May be referred for University sanctions, see section 1.1.5(11).

1.1.8 Satisfaction of Citations and Procedures for Hearing

A citation unpaid after fourteen (14) calendar days after issuance shall be considered delinquent and subject to a late charge from the date of issuance in addition to the fine. Bicycles are subject to impoundment for unpaid citations.

1. Under Idaho law there is no statute of limitations on unpaid parking citations. Citations remaining unpaid shall be subject to collection methods regardless of the date of the citation.
2. Appeals and Hearings
 - A. A person who received a University bicycle citation may appeal the citation in writing. The appeal must be made within fourteen (14) calendar days after issuance of a citation, exclusive of the day of issuance.
 - B. The following reasons will NOT be accepted by Public Safety as reasons to dismiss or modify a citation:
 - (1) Lack of knowledge of these regulations.
 - (2) Lateness due to class or appointment.
 - (3) Disagreement with the amount of the citation/fee.