

NEW RIVER COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE

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Effective Date March 3, 2005

TITLE: Enforcement and Penalties for Traffic and Parking Violations

RATIONALE: The purpose of this policy is to establish the penalties and enforcement of traffic and parking violations on all New River campus locations.

POLICY STATEMENT

1. Parking in areas designated as handicap parking spaces will result in a penalty up to \$100. Handicapped spaces are monitored for users need every semester and requests made for proper placement of signs through the physical plant department. The use of a valid New River Physically Challenged permit is required. These permits are to be updated annually. Failure to display the valid permit may result in a citation being issued.
2. The issuance of the Physically Challenged permit will be issued to persons who have a valid state handicapped placard or license registration. The use of the permit is limited to its owner and is non-transferable. The improper use of the state placard or New River permits may result in disciplinary actions or criminal prosecution.
3. Persons who desire or need special consideration for parking due to illness or injury may contact the Regional Director of Operations for a temporary permit. A written doctor's request outlining the special need before the permit is granted may be required.
4. Parking in areas designated for commercial loading and unloading zones, reserved spaces, or areas designated as safety zones will result in a penalty of \$5.00.
5. Minor moving traffic offenses will result in a \$5.00 penalty with appropriate disciplinary action taken.
6. Failure to respond to a citation or violation within a stated time frame will result in additional processing fees added to the stated penalty.
7. Continued infractions will result in disciplinary actions, the towing of violators vehicles, and other appropriate referral remedies.
8. Vehicles impeding traffic or creating a potential hazard will be immediately removed at the owner's expense.
9. The use of designated parking spaces at any New River campus is for the immediate use of the faculty, staff, students and guests. Unauthorized use or abuse of the facilities is prohibited.

10. The designated speed for on campus driving is fifteen miles per hour (15 mph). Signs are posted at the entries of each campus.
11. Accidents should be reported to the New River Regional Director of Operations or Director of Facilities and Campus Safety. The drivers involved in accidents not investigated by an officer, must fulfill their obligation by attempting to notify the owner of the unattended vehicle and by notifying the New River Regional Director of Operations or the Director of Facilities and Campus Safety.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

The college reserves the right to enforce present traffic codes as designated by the State of West Virginia and each city of New River's campuses. The college also reserves the right to enact measures which strengthens traffic enforcement which minimizes the dangers to students, staff and guests.

All motor vehicle laws must be obeyed and citations may be issued for any violation. These violations will include wrong-way on one way street designations, the failure to stop at designated stop signs, license and registration violations, insurance, or any other violation of West Virginia Code.

Each citation will be based on individual merit, and the use of racial profiling is prohibited. The issued citation will be signed by the violator and state the nature of the charge(s). The violator may chose to plead guilty or no contest and pays a designated fine within 10 days. The violator may choose to plead not guilty and appeal the charge to the local City judge or County Magistrate.

The traffic violations will be recorded, maintained in student files, and used to provide corrective means of compliance. Multiple infractions or violations may proceed to the city or state level.

RELATED POLICIES:

RESPONSIBLE OFFICE: Office of Facilities and Campus Safety, Regional Director of Operations