

WAC 132H-116-085 Impoundment. (1) In addition to imposing fines, the vice president of administrative services and the director of public safety are authorized to impound a vehicle parked on college property on the following grounds:

(a) Creating a safety hazard.

(b) Leaving a vehicle running and unattended.

(c) Vehicles parked in excess of 72 consecutive hours without prior approval from the public safety office are considered abandoned or unattended and are subject to impoundment at the registered owner's risk and expense. No vehicle, other than college owned or leased vehicles, shall be parked on college property in excess of 24 hours without prior documented approval from the public safety office. Vehicles parked on campus in excess of 24 hours, without prior documented approval from the public safety office, are subject to citation. Once a vehicle has accumulated three consecutive citations, public safety will place one impound warning on a vehicle. After 24 hours have passed since an impound warning was placed on a vehicle it may be towed.

(d) Parking:

(i) In a marked "tow away" or "no parking" zone.

(ii) Without a valid disability permit or license plate in a space reserved for persons with physical disabilities.

(iii) Anywhere other than a designated parking area.

(e) Vehicles impeding access to:

(i) A roadway so as to impede the flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic;

(ii) A walkway so as to impede the flow of pedestrian traffic;

(iii) A fire lane or impeding access to a fire hydrant including parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant; or

(iv) The use of another legally parked vehicle.

(f) Accumulation of unpaid citations: An individual who accumulates four or more unpaid citations, after the deadline issued on the citations or after any appeal, is subject to having their vehicle impounded.

(2) Vehicles shall be impounded subject to the following terms and conditions:

(a) The expenses of impoundment and storage shall be charged to the registered owner of the vehicle and must be paid prior to the vehicle's release.

(b) The college shall not be liable for loss or damage of any kind resulting from the impound or storage of an impounded vehicle.

(c) Impoundment of a vehicle does not remove the obligation to pay any fines associated with the violation.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.140(13) and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 22-13-135, § 132H-116-085, filed 6/17/22, effective 7/18/22.]