



PARKING VIOLATION POLICIES

...REVISIONS AND REMINDERS

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POLICY REVISIONS

Fermilab recently contracted with a private towing service to remove vehicles that present a safety concern because they are illegally parked. *Tow away zones* will be clearly marked with 2 ft x 3 ft signs. The Industrial Complex will be the first area affected by this program, though expansion to other locations may follow. Vehicle removal will be initiated upon the request of certain Lab-designated personnel when they observe that illegal parking presents a safety hazard (i.e., the contractor will not randomly monitor our parking areas). Vehicles will be towed to an offsite facility. Owners will be required to pay towing and storage fees to recover their vehicles.

The towing contractor, Northern Illinois Towing, is licensed by the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) and is located northeast of the Lab:

Northern Illinois Towing, Inc.
1130-F Carolina Drive
West Chicago, IL
630-876-9300

The following ICC-established fee schedule will be charged to owners in order for them to recover their vehicles. The matter of payment will be between the individual and the towing company.

Tow automobile	\$105
Tow small truck or motorcycle	\$150
Tow large truck	\$700
Storage (per day)	\$ 15

Safety parking violations that could lead to towing include, but are not limited to the following: unauthorized parking in fire lanes, parking in any manner that impedes the flow of traffic, or parking that restricts access to buildings by emergency response vehicles. Also included are fire hydrants, spaces reserved for handicapped parking, and yellow-striped *no parking* areas. However, vehicles are *not* subject to contractor towing because of overtime parking, abandonment, or other violations that do not pose a safety concern.

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The Security Department will continue to follow existing procedures for *legally parked* vehicles that appear to be *abandoned*. They will attempt to contact vehicle owner. If the vehicle is not removed within three calendar days, it will be cited as *suspected abandoned*.

A tow-warning sticker will then be affixed to the driver's side window and notification will be sent to the registered owner. At the end of an eighteen-day warning period, Vehicle Maintenance will tow the vehicle to the Abandoned Vehicle Lot between Black Hawk and Shabbona Streets in the Village. After sending another notice to the registered owner, and allowing another 14 days for the owner to remove the vehicle, Fermilab will petition the DuPage County Zoning Enforcement Department for the vehicle's removal and disposal in accordance with the county ordinances and 625 ILCS, Section 5/4-203f.

Fermilab allows *long-term vehicle parking* behind 32 Sauk Boulevard in the Village for on-site residents and employees/users who are away on Laboratory-related business travel. A Long-Term Parking Permit must first be obtained from the Communications Center located on the ground floor of Wilson Hall.



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