

WHAT THE LINES AND SIGNS MEAN

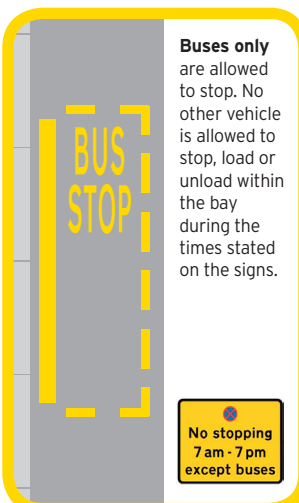
Waiting restrictions apply to the whole of the highway including pavements and verges



Double yellow lines along the edge of the road mean no waiting at any time. You can stop to load or unload or to allow passengers to get in or out of the vehicle unless there are also loading restrictions.



Single yellow lines along the edge of the road mean you cannot wait during the times shown on the signs. You can stop to load or unload or to allow passengers to get into or out of the vehicle unless there are also loading restrictions.



Buses only are allowed to stop. No other vehicle is allowed to stop, load or unload within the bay during the times stated on the signs.

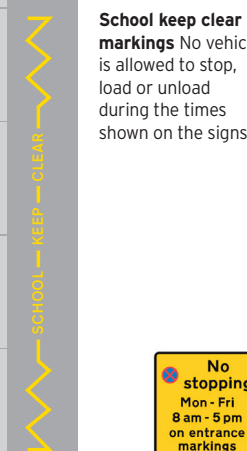
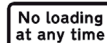


Taxis only are allowed to stop. No other vehicle is allowed to stop, load or unload within the bay during the times stated on the signs.

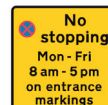


Kerb marks indicate no loading or unloading at anytime.

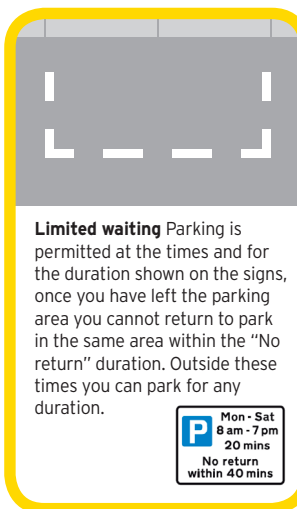
Blue Badge Holders cannot park during the times the loading restrictions are in force.



School keep clear markings No vehicle is allowed to stop, load or unload during the times shown on the signs.



Parking bays for Blue Badge Holders Parking in these bays is restricted to Blue Badge Holders only. The Blue Badge must be displayed in the windscreen stating the time the vehicle arrives.



Limited waiting Parking is permitted at the times and for the duration shown on the signs, once you have left the parking area you cannot return to park in the same area within the "No return" duration. Outside these times you can park for any duration.



Changes to Parking Enforcement in Wokingham Borough

WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL TAKES OVER PARKING ENFORCEMENT FROM THE POLICE IN EARLY OCTOBER

Parking rules will stay the same; the only difference will be that the Council will be responsible for enforcing them instead of the Police and this is known as Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE).

The majority of parking enforcement across the UK is now the responsibility of local Councils rather than the Police. This change enables the Police to focus more on managing crime and by transferring the powers the Council will be better able to respond to local needs and the parking concerns of the community.

THE BENEFITS

Better enforcement of parking regulations will help residents and visitors by:

- Easing congestion caused by inconsiderate parking
- Improving pedestrian and road safety e.g. at junctions where parked cars can block the view
- Preventing illegal or dangerous parking outside of schools and on pavements and cycleways
- Improving traffic flow around the borough
- Improving access and response times for emergency vehicles and public transport
- Reducing abuse of disabled parking, making sure spaces are available for genuine Blue Badge holders
- Maintaining and improving residents' parking schemes

PARKING REGULATIONS

The introduction of CPE does not influence where and how regulations are introduced. Parking restrictions are introduced by the Highways Team after taking into account the safety of road users, pedestrians and local needs. This will not alter when CPE is introduced. The only difference will be that the Council will have responsibility for enforcing restrictions instead of the Police.

PENALTY CHARGE NOTICES

Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) will be issued by Council enforcement officers to vehicles parked in breach of parking restrictions. If a motorist parks where they shouldn't then they risk receiving a PCN. Depending on the seriousness of the contravention the vehicle keeper will be required to pay either £50 or £70.

If paid within 14 days a 50% discount will be applied.

Nobody wants to receive a PCN so the message is simple, follow the rules and only park where you're allowed and you will avoid a PCN:

- Do not park on double yellow lines
- Do check the times on nearby signs and notices about when you can park
- Do park within bay markings
- Do report parking issues using the on-line form on the Council's website www.wokingham.gov.uk
- Don't stay longer than the maximum length of stay
- Don't ignore a Penalty Charge Notice

Any revenue generated from PCNs issued by the Council will be used to pay for the cost of enforcement and to improve parking and transport.

POLICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PARKING ENFORCEMENT

The Police will retain some powers to allow them for example to tackle dangerous parking. They will also still be able to tackle obstruction and parking on zig-zag markings at pedestrian crossings.

BLUE BADGE HOLDERS

There will be no changes in relation to where Blue Badge holders can and cannot park. The Blue Badge Scheme booklet explains more about where you can park and is available through the 'publications' page at www.gov.uk

WHAT TO DO IF YOU RECEIVE A PCN AND DON'T THINK YOU SHOULD HAVE

Once a PCN has been issued it cannot be cancelled by an enforcement officer - so please do not ask. If you think you've been incorrectly issued with a PCN the details on the back of the PCN explain what you should do to appeal.

