

2024-2025 UMBC Parking Rules & Regulations



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**PARKING
SERVICES**

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General Information

Parking Services, a department within the Division of Administration and Finance, is responsible for issuing permits, managing parking inventory and enforcing campus parking rules and regulations. The office is located at 900 Walker Avenue, Suite 107, Catonsville, MD 21228.

It is the responsibility of anyone who operates a motor vehicle on the campus to become familiar with the following regulations. These have been established in order to expedite the safe and orderly conduct of university business and to provide parking facilities in support of this function.

Mission

UMBC Parking Services is committed to providing equitable parking infrastructure for all students, faculty, staff, and visitors through the use of innovative, sustainable, and customer-driven measures that support the university's mission.

Authority

Pursuant to Maryland Transportation Code Annotated Section 26-301. Section 26-301 grants authority to State agencies to regulate parking. Specifically, any State agency authorized by law and any political subdivision of this State may adopt ordinances or regulations that:

(1) Regulate the parking of vehicles, (2) Provide for the impounding of vehicles parked in violation of the ordinances or regulations, (3) Regulate the towing of vehicles from publicly owned and privately owned parking lots, and (4) Provide for the issuance of a citation by an officer for a violation of an ordinance or regulation that is adopted under this section.

Permits

A UMBC parking permit does not guarantee a parking space, however, it allows for legal parking in specific areas on the campus. UMBC requires that all parked vehicles have a valid UMBC virtual permit, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, excluding visitor Pay-to-Park spaces.

Parking permits are **required year-round** and the permit is electronically attached to your vehicle's license plate number.

Vehicle Registration

All vehicles, motorcycles, motor scooters and bicycles parked on campus are required to be registered with Parking Services. Staff, Faculty and Students may register up to three (3) vehicles. Permits are electronically assigned to a vehicle(s). Only register a vehicle that is owned by you or a member of your household/family. Information needed is make, model, color, and license plate number. Your permit is valid for use in your parking zone on the vehicles registered in your account. **Only one (1) vehicle may be on campus at any time.**

Adding vehicles to your account can be done by going to Parking Account Management through your myUMBC account. If you wish to remove a vehicle, please email parking@umbc.umbc with the make, model, color and plate for the vehicle you would like removed. Vehicles with outstanding citations will not be removed until all citations have been cleared. Unregistered vehicles will have an MVA search performed. They will be attached to the account of the UMBC staff, faculty or student with the same address. All fines and fees will be their responsibility.

Employee Permits Employee

Employee permits automatically renew each year in August. All full-time, payroll eligible or Contingent 2 faculty and staff must enroll in the Parking Payroll Deduction Program.

Zone D – Non-gated parking (\$280.00 annually - \$14 per check)

Zone D – Daily permits (\$2.00 each) – Permits are for one date use only and are also available in a 5-pack, 10-pack, or 20-pack online.

Zone E – Gated parking – is valid for the assigned gated lot only and requires visor card **(\$380.00 annually - \$19 per check)**

Payroll Deduction Program

Full-time, payroll-eligible or Contingent 2 employees with a valid UMBC Parking Account are eligible to participate in this pre-tax benefit. Parking deductions are taken over 20 pay periods, starting with the first pay in September and ending with the last pay in May.

Open enrollment begins mid-August each academic year. Once enrolled, your virtual permit will automatically renew. Virtual permits for employees with a past due balance will be deactivated until the outstanding balance has been paid. To enroll in payroll deduction, go to parking.umbc.edu and click on the [Payroll Deduction Initiation Form](#). **Please note: you can only sign-up for payroll deduction from August 15-mid February.** After mid-February, new employees will need to pay out-of-pocket for a permit at the pro-rated amount

When an employee is no longer employed with UMBC, on sabbatical, or leave of absence, **it is the responsibility of the employee** to complete a [Payroll Deduction Cancellation Form](#) within two weeks of their final day on campus. Parking fees will be deducted until registration is cancelled.

Refunds will not be issued. Cancellations will be processed on the University of Maryland System Payroll Schedule.

New Hire Two-Week Permit

The hiring department must submit a [New Hire Form](#) to: parking@umbc.edu for a two-week permit. Please complete all information on the form. If the new hire does not have a UMBC e-mail, please utilize an email the new hire checks regularly. Two-week permits are available for new full-time employees. Part-time employees are not eligible for this permit. This form should be submitted 2-3 days prior to the employee's first day. Permits will not be issued to employees with past due parking fines. Refunds will not be issued on permits. **Faculty and staff receiving tuition remission are not eligible for a student permit.**

Gated Parking

Those who want to be added to the Gated Parking waitlist will need to complete the [Gated Lot Request](#) form. The forms are completed via DocuSign and sent directly to Parking Services. Please note, the gated lot waiting list is simply a list of names of individuals who are requesting gated lot parking. At the beginning of each semester, Parking Services will monitor the amount of spaces available and contact those who have been selected to receive a gate card. Selection is determined on a first-come, first-served basis.

To remain on waitlist, a valid UMBC permit must be purchased each year. If you transfer to a different department while on waitlist, notify Parking Services of the change. Parking Services will notify selected employees with instructions on how to obtain the gated parking permit.

Lost Gate Cards

Lost or stolen gate cards must be reported to Parking Services immediately. Replacement gate cards can be obtained at the Parking Services Office. The fee is \$25.00 and can be paid by cash, check or credit card.

Emeritus Parking

Emeritus Permits Faculty and staff who are granted Emeritus status are eligible for D parking permits at no additional cost. To maintain gated E parking, there is a \$100.00 annual fee. Emeritus appointment letter must be submitted to Parking Services, prior to the employee's final day at UMBC.

Sabbatical Leave

Faculty granted Sabbatical Leave must submit a copy of their Sabbatical Appointment Letter to Parking Services prior to the start of the sabbatical. **It is the responsibility of the employee to cancel payroll deduction. Prior to your return, it is your responsibility to re-enroll in payroll deduction for a valid permit to be issued.** Any faculty member who has gated parking at the time of their sabbatical leave must return their gate card to the Parking Services. When you return, visit Parking Services, present your ID and your gate card will be returned.

Student Permits

Student Permits Parking permits are required year-round and the permit is electronically attached to your vehicle(s). Permits are issued for an academic year from August 15th through August 14th and remain valid for the entire school year for students enrolled in both fall and spring semester. Permits are deactivated for students that are not actively registered for courses during the fall or spring semester. Modified parking zones *may* be in effect during the winter and summer sessions.

Student Permit Zones

Student parking permits are issued according to your classification for the following parking zones:

- **Zone A (Red)** – Commuter Students
- **Zone B (Green)** – Walker Community Residents
- **Zone C (Gold)** – Resident Students (excluding Walker Residents)

Permit Registration

Permit registration begins the August 15 for the fall semester, December 1st for the winter session, January 15th for the spring semester and early May for summer semester. Only students registered for credit courses are eligible for a parking permit. Please allow 24 hours for your record to update in the parking system. You will receive an error message 'Invalid Authentication' if your account is not updated as a student in the parking system.

Student Permit Fees

There is no out of pocket fee for the student parking permit; it is covered under the mandatory transportation fee with your tuition. Full-time students pay \$258 per semester (12 credits or more), while part-time students pay \$28 per credit. Graduate Students pay \$28 per credit.

Permits will NOT be automatically renewed each year. **It is the student's responsibility to obtain a new permit each academic year.** If a student's classification changes, contact Parking Services at 410-455-2551 or via email at parking@umbc.edu.

Visiting Students

Visiting students are those students who do not attend classes in-person at the Catonsville Campus. As a result, these students do not pay the transportation fees. Students classified as Visiting Students must purchase the semester permit for \$60.00. The semester permit must be purchased in person at the Parking Services office.

ADA Parking and Medical Permits

All UMBC faculty, students, and staff utilizing designated ADA parking must register with Parking Services by providing the placard/plate information, medical certificate and picture ID. Registered individuals in compliance with state regulation may use designated parking only when a university parking permit is connected with a State issued disabled license plate or placard on their vehicle.

UMBC permit holders with ADA parking privileges may park at any accessible space on campus except for gated lots. Faculty, staff, and students may park without paying at a visitor Pay-to-Park space on campus with valid UMBC permit and disabled accessible plate/placard displayed, if designated disabled space is not available.

Pay Stations for visitor Pay-to-Park spaces are ADA compliant and visitors with a disabled plate/placard will need to pay when parking in these areas. Drivers operating vehicles displaying state issued disabled license plates or placards must provide their state **MDOT Disability Parking Certification** form to Parking Services or Police enforcement officials upon request. The identified disabled person must be either the driver or a passenger.

Any fraudulent misuse or misrepresentation in the display of a State issued MVA accessible parking privilege and related placards, tags or supporting documentation, while using a UMBC disabled parking area, constitutes and establishes the same violation as accessible parking without a permit and will be charged as accessible parking without a permit.

Medical Permits

Medical Permits are issued for a maximum of 6 weeks to faculty, staff and students with a documented temporary medical need. The permit is not renewable beyond the 6 weeks. The employee or student is required to have a valid UMBC permit. There is no additional charge for a medical permit. An original physician's written request for medical parking must be provided indicating the need and duration on the addressed letterhead with the physician's original signature. Medical permits provide parking at any visitor 'pay to park' space on campus. The visitor parking spaces are located at Administration Drive Garage, Commons Garage, Walker Avenue Garage, Lot 9 and Lot 7. **Medical permits are not valid in ADA accessible parking spaces.**

Enforcement

UMBC Parking Services and UMBC Police enforce posted sign violations and standard Maryland Traffic Regulations 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days per year (regardless of whether UMBC is open or closed that day).

Parking permits are enforced during the hours of 8 AM to 4 PM, Monday - Friday. Parking permits are required throughout the year, including the winter and summer. **There is no free parking during the hours of 8 AM to 4 PM if the university is open (whether classes are in session or not).**

Parking must be within the boundaries of a designated space. Parking is not permitted along unmarked curbs in parking lots. Vehicles may not enter areas that have been closed by cones or barricades. Parking is not allowed at any time at intersections, crosswalks, accessible areas, sidewalks, on the grass, bus zones, fire hydrants and designated restricted areas. UMBC Parking Services policies prohibit backing into angled space, you must pull into the space. **Those who back into angled spaces will be ticketed. If you do not have a front plate (Such as Pennsylvania, Delaware, Florida, etc.), you must park with your rear plate facing the driving lane. Those who do not, will be cited .**

Service areas and loading docks require a service permit. Posted signage overrides written regulations. Parking Services reserves the right to close areas due to inclement weather, repairs, construction or special events.

A violation may be issued for each date that a vehicle remains parked in violation of rules and regulations. The fact that a vehicle is parked in violation of any regulation and does not receive a violation notice does not mean that the regulation is no longer in effect.

Any vehicle in violation of UMBC regulations, State Transportation Articles or abandoned is subject to being ticketed and/or towed at the expense of the owner of the vehicle. The responsibility of finding a legal parking space rests with the operator. Lack of a convenient space is not considered a legitimate reason for violating parking regulations.

Vehicles who fail to register on campus will be stickered. Those who are stickered and do not take action in a timely manner will be obligated to pay all citations. No waivers will be given. All citations are considered valid after 14 days. After 14 days you may not contest a citation.

If you experience vehicle mechanical issues or a vehicle emergency, you must reach out to Parking Services immediately. Emergency repairs only may be performed on campus. All others must be performed off campus.

Upon notification of a vehicle emergency, Parking Services will grant you up to 72 hours to have the vehicle removed from campus or the vehicle will be removed by UMBC Parking Services at the owner's expense.

CITATION AND FEE CHART

Effective October 1, 2024

CITATION	DESCRIPTION	FEE
Posted Signs	Any space marked: *Service Permit Required *Load/Unload *10/20 Minute Parking *YMCA Staff	\$50.00
Off-Roadway Vehicle	Vehicle is parked in an area not marked for parking	\$50.00
President's Parking Only	Any space marked for the UMBC President	\$100.00
CD Parking	Any space marked CD Parking Only	\$75.00
Firelane	Spaces/areas reserved for fire and rescue services	\$100.00
No Parking	Any space marked with a No-Parking sign/symbol. This is a safety issue. Blocked accessible curb ramps, crosswalks, bus turning radiuses, etc.	\$75.00
Fraudulent Use of a Permit or Placard	Registering/linking a UMBC Parking Permit or ADA Placard to account other than that of the MVA Owner of Record.	\$350.00
Improper Parking	Parking on the hash marks, in a crosswalk, in a space not marked with two white lines, vehicle blocking accessible sidewalk cut-a-way, backing into a space along Hilltop Circle or any other angled parking spot	\$75.00
Handicapped	Failure to properly display a valid ADA placard and, when required, supporting documentation	\$250.00
Improper Permit Display	Vehicle with no front license plate parked with rear plate inaccessible for enforcement	\$25.00

CITATION	DESCRIPTION	FEES
No Valid Permit	Parking on campus without valid UMBC Parking Permit.	\$40.00
Incorrect Zone	Parking in a zone other than the designated permit (A/B/C/D/E) zone.	\$40.00
Pay Station	Payment for parking in a pay-to-park space expired or was never submitted.	\$30.00
Other	Expired Tags/Registration	\$40.00
Shared Hit	Parking more than one vehicle on campus at the same time	\$50.00
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES		
Appeal Fee	Administrative fee for an appeal where the citation is upheld.	\$15.00
In-Sufficient Funds (NSF)	Applied when returned from the bank.	\$30.00
MVA Lookup	Applied when a vehicle is not registered to park on campus and we have to send the license plate through the MVA Database to identify the owner of record.	\$25.00
Payment Plan	Applied when a payment plan agreement is initiated on outstanding balances exceeding \$500.00.	\$35.00

	LATE FEES	
30 Days	Applied 30 days from the date the citation was issued.	\$10.00
45 Days	Applied 45 days from the date the citation was issued.	\$20.00
75 Days	<p>MVA Flag is placed (prevents renewing vehicles registration)</p> <p>Uncollected debt will be turned over to the Central Collections Unit (CCU)</p> <p>Accounts transferred to CCU will also be reported to the credit bureau. CCU will assess a minimum collection charge of 17% of the outstanding debt, plus attorney and court fees, if applicable. The university and CCU reserve the right to make changes in fees and other charges as may be deemed necessary.</p> <p>Accounts at CCU can only be paid at CCU. UMBC does not accept payments on CCU accounts. These fees are the student's responsibility</p>	<p>\$30.00 MVA Fee to Release Flag</p> <p>Varies</p>

Online Citation Payments

Citation payments can be paid online at umbc.nupark.com/portal or through your MyUMBC account. Please enter the citation number or the license plate and state to bring up the citation(s). Payment forms accepted are American Express, Discover, MasterCard, Visa or ACH.

In-person Payments

Pay at the Parking Services office during our regular office hours, Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 4 PM. The office closes for lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM. Payment forms accepted are credit card (Visa, MasterCard and Discover), check, money order or currency.

Late Fees

Payment must be received and posted within 30 days from the date of the citation or appeal decision date to avoid late fees. A late fee of \$10.00 will be assessed on all past due fines after 30 days. After 45 days an additional late fee of \$20.00 will be assessed.

Returned Checks

A \$30.00 fee will be assessed for all returned checks and ACH payments. Notification for all returned checks and ACH payments is the responsibility of your financial institution and not UMBC Parking Services.

UMBC Visitor Appeals

Visitor appeals are to be sent via email to parking@umbc.edu. In the e-mail, please include the citation number, explanation for the appeal and any evidence. Administrative fees of \$15.00 will be charged on appeals unless citation is lowered to a Warning or adjudicated to not guilty. **All appeal decisions are final.**

UMBC Employee Online Administrative Appeal Process

Submit online by logging into to Parking Account Management. Go to 'Citations' and click on 'Appeal' to enter your written appeal. Administrative fees of \$15.00 will be charged on appeals unless citation is reduced to a Warning or adjudicated to not guilty. **All appeal decisions are final.**

Student Appeal Process

UMBC students must initiate appeal review online. Student notification of the appeal decision will be sent through email. The Student Parking Appeals Board will review and resolve student appeals. Appeals are reviewed weekly throughout the year. Submit online by going to Parking Account Management and login. Go to 'Citations and click on 'Appeal' to enter your appeal. Please include any evidence you want reviewed by the board. Administrative fees of \$15.00 will be charged on appeals unless citation is reduced to a Warning or adjudicated to not guilty. **All appeal decisions are final.**

Parking Advisory Committee

The Parking Advisory Committee (PAC) is charged with enhancing the student and faculty/staff parking experience at UMBC. The PAC meets once a semester and makes recommendations to the Vice-President for Finance and Administration.

The committee is comprised of the following members:

- Faculty Senate
- Student Government Association
- Professional Staff Senate
- AFSCME
- Director of Parking Services
- Assistant Director of Parking Services
- Adjunct Faculty Advisory Committee
- Graduate Student Association
- Non- Exempt Staff Senate
- Facilities Management
- Chief of Police

Parking Advisory Committee Goals

- Review parking rules and regulations and make recommendations changes for consideration
- Review Parking Services annual objectives and goals
- Assist with publicizing parking issues and enhancements within the university community
- Review and recommend capital improvement projects
- Serve as a liaison between respective governing bodies and Parking Services

Visitor Parking

Visitor parking is available at 'Pay-to-Park' lots. Visitors pay at the pay station and must properly enter their license plate information at the pay station. Please note, receipts are optional and not required to be displayed

Pay Stations for visitor 'Pay-to-Park' spaces are ADA compliant and visitors with a disabled plate/placard will need to pay when parking in these areas. Visitor parking spaces are located at Administration Drive Garage (upper level), Commons Garage (first level), Walker Avenue Garage (upper level), Lot 9 and Lot 7 on Walker Avenue.

Visitor parking is \$2.00 per hour and payable by MasterCard, Visa, exact currency, and Park Mobile and Passport Apps. **No change or refunds provided.** Visitor parking is enforced Monday-Friday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Visitor parking is not enforced on the following University observed holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and the following Friday, and Christmas day through the end of the calendar year. Visitor parking is enforced when university offices are open, even if classes are not scheduled.

Departmental Guest Codes

Departments may request visitor guest codes for an individual or an event. Visitor guest codes are not to be used by UMBC employees. Submit the request in writing by email to: parking@umbc.edu. Include name of visitor, date, department with contact information, and non-grant funded chart string. Please allow 2 business days for processing. You will receive a reply to the email with the guest code.

Parking Codes

If you are hosting an event that will require parking for visitors in any of the visitor lots, please request **parking codes**. When requesting these codes, include name of event, estimated number of attendees, date, location, department with contact information, and chart string. We will provide you with parking codes that can be used at any of the pay to park lots. Cost of codes will be \$4 per use.

Service Provider Parking

All posted service spaces require a service permit year-round. Service Vehicle Permits are available at Parking Services for service vehicles at no charge. is restricted to the designated Service Spaces located throughout the campus. Service permits are restricted to one vehicle per company with additional vehicles assigned to overflow area. You must have a [Service Provider Form](#) from the department authorizing your work on campus to receive this permit. Service providers are here for hours not weeks or months. Examples include: copy machine repair, vending machine refills, material delivery, etc.

Contractor/Construction Vehicles Parking

Permits are not required for contractor vehicles parked within the fenced compound of a construction site. Vendor Vehicles are eligible for two contractor permits per project and must complete the [Contractor/Vendor Form](#). Vendors parking more than two vehicles on campus should follow the process for visitor parking

Special Event Parking

This policy is to serve as a uniform guideline for university special event parking in facilities controlled by Parking Services. It is intended to cover most forms of pre-planned event parking. Special Event Parking Description Special event parking is any organized parking for university employees or visitors attending a planned event on campus. This policy applies to department functions, conferences, and official university activities. Special event parking is defined as pre-planned parking for 10 or more parking spaces.

Special Event parking does not include NCAA Sanctioned Athletic Events, Event Center Events (not including Retriever Room), Temporary or Vendor Parking, and Construction Parking.

Special Event Parking Procedures

Complete and submit a Special Event Request Form at least 15 days prior to the date of the event. Event parking cannot proceed until request has been approved by Parking Services.

The availability of parking facilities for the event is not guaranteed; however, every effort will be made to accommodate requests. For groups assigned parking in South Campus or Maryland State Highway Park-n-Ride, the sponsoring department must request shuttle service through UMBC Transit.

Failure to notify Parking Services of the cancellation of an event at least 48 hours prior to the event will result in a billing charge to the department or organization. When parking spaces are reserved, the department/group will be charged based upon the number of spaces being held, even if they go unused.

Host department/group is responsible for obtaining event signage through UMBC Sign Shop. Organizations without a university chart string must submit payment for services in advance to the Parking Services Department by check or money order payable to UMBC.

Student Carpool Program

Carpool members must be UMBC commuter students. Carpoolers must complete a UMBC Carpool Application and have at least 2 members whose schedules match at least 50 percent of the time (please submit each member's class schedule with this form). Carpool permits are valid only in Lot 4 in the designated Carpool parking spots. You may only have one car parked in the lot at any time. Carpool permits are enforced Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM. Carpool permits are not enforced in the summer.

Carpool permits **MUST** be renewed each semester. Any parking citations issued to carpool participants are the responsibility of the owner/operator of the vehicle. Abuse of a carpool permit by participants, family members, non-UMBC students, or anyone not authorized to use carpool permit will result in the carpool permit being revoked.

Employee Carpool Program

Employee Carpool permits can be purchased for \$180.00 per year. Carpoolers must complete a UMBC Carpool Application, share a single carpool permit, and may park in the Carpool Lot 4. The program will allow between two and four individuals to enter into a carpool agreement. Each participant may request up to two free daily permits per month if they need to drive alone. Daily permits beyond the initial allocation must be purchased by the individual users for \$2.00 per day.

Any parking citations issued to carpool participants are the responsibility of the owner/operator of the vehicle. Abuse of a carpool permit by participants, family members, non-UMBC students, or anyone not authorized to use carpool permit will result in the carpool permit being revoked.

Carpool participants are eligible for Guaranteed Ride Home (GRH). GRH provides a FREE ride home by taxi, rental car, bus, or train for registered users in the Greater Baltimore/Washington region who take transit, carpool, vanpool, or bike to work at least twice weekly. Commuters will be able to use GRH to get home for unexpected personal emergencies and unscheduled overtime up to four times per year. To sign up and for additional information visit the [Guaranteed Ride Home site](#).

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

UMBC offers 19 charging stations around campus for electric cars. These stations are located in Walker Avenue Garage, Lot 9 and Stadium Lot. Users with a valid UMBC permit may utilize EV stations at no additional cost. Visitors can purchase parking at the pay stations for \$2.00/ hour – maximum of 4 hours. Charging of EV's is limited to 4 hours between the hours of 8:00 am- 4:00 pm, Monday- Friday.

The time limit will be strictly enforced by Parking Services. Parking in electric charging spaces is restricted to vehicles plugged in for charging only. The university has the right to close electric charging spaces for maintenance, construction, or special events without prior notice. Any non-electric vehicles parked in the charging station spaces will be cited. Charging is on first come, first served basis. The university assumes no liability for damage to vehicles while using the charging stations.

Bicycles

Bicycle racks have been conveniently placed throughout the campus for the use and convenience of the campus community. Bicycle owners park their bicycles at their own risk and the University assumes no liability or responsibility whatsoever for any bicycles left at any time.

- **All bicycles on campus must be registered with UMBC Parking Services**
- Bicycles must be parked in bicycle racks or lockers and secured using a u-lock, or a cable or chain with a lock
- Parking of bicycles in areas other than bike racks is considered unauthorized (e.g., chained to trees, buildings, poles, etc.) and will not be permitted. This practice can damage university property and can create hazardous situations for pedestrians
- If left in unauthorized locations as described above, bicycles may be removed immediately
- Bicycle racks are typically for temporary use only. Bicycles left in a bike rack beyond a continuous thirty (30) day period may be considered abandoned and removed by UMBC Police.

The university assumes no liability or responsibility for damages due to removal of the bicycles because of extended parking or abandonment. Bicycles that are determined to be abandoned may be removed by UMBC Police and held in storage until August 1st of each year. All bikes not reclaimed (by contacting UMBC Police) by this time may be donated to a charity to be designated by the university. Removed bicycles may be reclaimed by contacting UMBC Police. Claimants should provide an ID, a description of the bike (manufacture & color), and the location on campus where the bicycle was parked.

Electric Scooters and Electric Bikes

Pursuant to MD Transp Code § 11-104 (2022), electric scooters and electric bikes are regulated similar to bicycles. The electric scooter (e-scooter) is a device with two or three wheels, handlebars, and footboard that can be stood upon riding, which is completely powered by an electric motor and human power. An electric bicycle (e-bike) is a motorized bicycle with an integrated electric motor used to assist propulsion.

UMBC is committed to creating an environmentally sustainable and safe campus. Therefore, UMBC regulates the use of e-scooters and e-bikes on university property. E-scooter and e-bike operators must adhere to the following rules and regulations:

- **All e-scooters and e-bikes must be registered with UMBC Parking Services**
- E-scooters and e-bikes must be operated on the road, designated paths, and adhere to all traffic laws and posted signs. This includes stopping at stop signs, obeying traffic signals, riding in the direction of traffic, the prohibited wearing of headphones or air buds in both ears, and yielding to other vehicles and pedestrians
- Operators must not be impaired while operating an e-scooter or e-bike
- E-scooters and e-bikes are to not be operated in university parking lots and garages
- E-scooters and e-bikes must be parked adjacent to bicycle rack in upright position
- E-scooters and e-bikes must never be parked on sidewalks, block pedestrian pathways, fire hydrants, ADA access, building entrances or impede the work of the university (e.g., mowing or snow removal.)
- E-scooters and e-bikes are not permitted to be in residence halls or other university buildings
- E-scooters must be folded and placed between the riders' legs while seated or when standing on UMBC Transit
- E-scooters carried onto UMBC Transit must use sealed gel, lithium ion, or NiCad batteries for power. Gas powered scooters are prohibited regardless of whether they are also battery powered
- E-bikes can be secured on UMBC transit front racks similar to bicycles