

Road Transport (General) Pay Parking Area Fees Determination 2023 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2023-83

made under the

Road Transport (General) Act 1999, s 96 (Determination of fees, charges and other amounts)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 96 of the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* allows the Minister to determine fees, charges and other amounts payable under the ACT road transport legislation.

This determination sets the relevant parking fees for Territory-operated pay parking areas. Under the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Regulation 2017* (the Regulation), pay parking areas are implemented through ticket parking schemes, which are established by the Road Transport Authority under section 35(1) of the Regulation.

Overview

The areas in Schedule 1, Item 1 described as follows have been removed as these areas are no longer operated as carpark by the ACT Government.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Off-street parking bounded by Gordon Street, McCoy Circuit, Ellery Crescent and Marcus Clarke Street, including parts of the road reserves	2 and Part 3	20	City
Off-street parking near Childers Street, north of the Street Theatre Building	5	30	City
Off-street parking on the northwest corner of the Barry Drive and Watson Street intersection	Part 8	25	Turner

The disallowable instrument also includes price increases based on indexation of wage price index (WPI) rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount. The WPI for the 2023-24 year is 3.75%, from advice provided by ACT Treasury.

In 2019-20 a review of pay parking to make the fee structure more straightforward and user friendly was implemented, and flat hourly rates were introduced under each

item until the maximum fee for each item is reached. This allowed users to quickly estimate parking fees before payment. The 2023 Determination maintains this fee structure.

The number of fee categories has been maintained at 10, which includes four (4) multi-stay (or all-day) categories, five (5) short-stay categories and one (1) additional rates after standard hours rates category.

The four multi-stay (unrestricted time) categories are as follows:

- Item 1: Multi-Stay Parking - Premium City Centre (MS01), with a maximum rate of \$20.00 and an hourly rate of \$3.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.
- Item 2: Multi-Stay Parking – Yarralumla (MS02), with a maximum rate of \$16.00 and an hourly rate of \$2.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.
- Item 3: Multi-Stay Parking - Other City Centre, Town Centre Premium (MS03), with a maximum rate of \$13.00 and an hourly rate of \$2.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.
- Item 4: Multi-Stay Parking - Other Town Centre, Group Centre (MS04), with a maximum rate of \$11.00 and an hourly rate of \$2.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.

The five short-stay categories are as follows:

- Item 5: Short-Stay Parking - Premium City Centre - 4 hours (SS01), with a maximum rate of \$18.00 and an hourly rate of \$5.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.
- Item 6: Short-Stay Parking - Other Centres - 4 hours (SS02), with a maximum rate of \$13.00 and an hourly rate of \$4.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.
- Item 7: Short-Stay Parking - City, Town and Group Centres - 3 hours (SS03), with a maximum rate of \$11.00 and an hourly rate of \$4.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.
- Item 8: Short-Stay Parking - City, Town and Group Centres - 2 hours or less (SS04), with a maximum rate of \$6.00 and an hourly rate of \$3.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.
- Item 9: Short-Stay Parking - City, Town and Group Centre Parking - 30 minutes (SS05), with a maximum rate of \$1.00 per half hour pro rata until the maximum amount is reached.

The additional rates after-hours category is:

- Item 10: locations with additional rates after standard hours (AH01), with a maximum rate of \$7.00 and an hourly rate of \$2.00 per hour pro rata until the maximum amount is achieved.

Pre-paid multi-day parking tickets

The fees for pre-paid weekly and monthly multi-day parking tickets that are usable in multi-stay ticket parking areas are set out in Schedule 2. These tickets will continue to

represent savings of approximately 5% and 6% respectively on the daily purchase price of tickets within their fee category, rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

CIT student pre-paid all-day parking tickets

The fee for CIT student pre-paid all-day parking tickets is in Schedule 3. CIT student pre-paid tickets are available to eligible CIT students. The ticket is usable in specific multi-stay ticket parking areas only as identified in Schedule 3. The fee for this permit has also increased by WPI and rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount.

Table 1: Changes to Pay Parking Area Fee

Category	2022-23 WPI 3.25%			2023-24 WPI 3.75%			% increase
	Unrounded rate	Rounded rate	Hourly rate	Unrounded rate	Rounded rate	Hourly Rate	
Category 1: Multi-Stay Parking – Premium City Centre	\$19.15	\$19.00	\$3.00	\$19.87	\$20.00	\$3.00	5.26%
Category 2: Multi-Stay Parking – Yarralumla	\$15.04	\$15.00	\$2.00	\$15.61	\$16.00	\$2.00	6.67%
Category 3: Multi-Stay Parking – Other City Centre, Premium Town Centre	\$12.99	\$13.00	\$2.00	\$13.47	\$13.00	\$2.00	0.00%
Category 4: Multi-Stay Parking – Other Town Centre, Group Centre	\$10.93	\$11.00	\$2.00	\$11.34	\$11.00	\$2.00	0.00%
Category 5: Short-Stay Parking – Premium City Centre – 4 hours	\$17.10	\$17.00	\$5.00	\$17.74	\$18.00	\$5.00	5.88%
Category 6: Short-Stay Parking – Other Centres – 4 hours	\$12.99	\$13.00	\$4.00	\$13.47	\$13.00	\$4.00	0.00%
Category 7: Short-Stay Parking – City, Town and Group Centres – 3 hours	\$10.28	\$10.00	\$4.00	\$10.67	\$11.00	\$4.00	10.00%
Category 8: Short-Stay Parking – City, Town and Group Centres – 2 hours	\$5.52	\$6.00	\$3.00	\$5.73	\$6.00	\$3.00	0.00%
Category 9: Short-Stay Parking – City, Town and Group Centres – 30 minutes	\$1.41	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.46	\$1.00	\$1.00	0.00%
Category 10: locations with additional rates after standard hours	\$6.29	\$6.00	\$2.00	\$6.53	\$7.00	\$2.00	16.67%
Multi-day tickets - for use in Item 1: Multi-Stay Parking - Premium City Centre		\$90.00			\$95.00		5.56%
Multi-day tickets - for use in Item 2: Multi-Stay Parking - Yarralumla		\$357.00			\$376.00		5.32%
Multi-day tickets - for use in Item 3: Multi-Stay Parking - Other City Centre, Town Centre Premium		\$71.00			\$76.00		7.04%
Multi-day tickets -for use in Item 4: Multi-Stay Parking - Other Town Centre, Group Centre		\$282.00			\$301.00		6.74%
		\$62.00			\$62.00		0.00%
		\$244.00			\$244.00		0.00%
		\$52.00			\$52.00		0.00%
		\$207.00			\$207.00		0.00%
CIT pre-paid parking ticket per semester	\$41.98	\$42.00		\$43.56	\$44.00		4.76%

Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS)

A RIS is not required for this fee determination due to section 36(1)(k) of the Legislation Act, which states that a RIS need not be prepared for an amendment of a fee consistent with announced government policy. Parking fees made by this instrument are consistent with the Government's policies to reduce the provision of free parking and encourage greater use of sustainable transport options.

Human Rights

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety (Legislative Scrutiny Role) terms of reference require consideration of human rights impacts, among other matters. In this case, no human rights are impacted.

Climate Change

Transport Canberra and City Services anticipates that the increase in parking permit fees will have not have a measurable impact on climate change.

Outline of Provisions

Clause 1 names the instrument the *Road Transport (General) Parking Area Fees Determination 2023 (No 1)*.

Clause 2 states that the instrument commences on 1 July 2023.

Clause 3 determines the fees payable by reference to schedule 1 and schedule 2.

Clause 4 determines the responsible party for paying fees mentioned in schedule 1 and schedule 2. This clause also states that fees are payable to the road transport authority.

Clause 5 defines terms and phrases for this instrument.

Clause 6 provides that the *Road Transport (General) (Parking Area Fees) Determination 2022 (No 2)* (DI2022-180) is revoked.