

BUNCOMBE COUNTY

PARKING POLICY

A. PURPOSE

It is the intent of this policy to establish a fair and equitable structure for County employees, officials, private groups, and the general public who park privately owned vehicles in structures and lots owned or leased by Buncombe County. Its purpose is to protect and promote the general health, safety, welfare, public convenience and good government of Buncombe County by regulating parking at the county owned parking deck and all County controlled surface parking lots.

B. PARKING POLICIES

Buncombe County owns one public parking deck in downtown Asheville located at 164 College St. The county also owns and/or leases several surface parking lots throughout downtown Asheville. These parking facilities service Buncombe County employees, jurors, parking deck lessees, and general public parking. Signage will be posted where appropriate to facilitate compliance with parking policies. Where posted, this signage will be regarded as an official county parking policy, even if it is not specifically written in to this policy.

All Buncombe County parking facilities are patrolled by the City of Asheville. All standard parking regulations are applicable in county parking facilities and violations of these regulations may result in the issuance of a citation.

A. County Employees

1. Employees that are issued a parking card for the deck are allowed to use it for daily parking of one vehicle only.
2. Employees parking on county surface lots will be issued a parking tag for their vehicle. This tag is also to be used for daily parking for one vehicle only.
3. Should any county staff be required to leave their vehicle in the deck overnight for travel, they are required to park their vehicle on the 6th floor of the deck or above.

B. Public Use of the Parking Deck and Surface Lots

1. Individuals wishing to use the deck are subject to the fee structure posted on signage at the entrance of the deck.
2. Special Event Parking – at certain times the county may charge a non-standard parking rate during special events. This rate will be determined based on the time and duration of the event.
3. Any groups seeking to use any county parking facility for a private purpose or special event will be subject to additional fees and conditions which will include, but are not limited to:
 - Security Deposit
 - Space Rental Fees
 - Minimum Insurance Requirements

C. Violations

Violations of this policy are considered inappropriate personal conduct and/or misuse of county property. Employees found to be in violation of this policy may be subject to disciplinary action pending an investigation by the Parking Services Manager. Disciplinary action may include revocation of an employee's parking privileges.