

Parking at Berkeley Lab

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Implementing Guidance for Carpool Pilot Program

The Berkeley Lab's 2025 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) proposes construction of several new scientific research facilities that will eliminate hundreds of parking spaces and bring hundreds of new employees and visitors to the Hill. It is anticipated that the parking demand will significantly outpace parking supply in coming years. This will require development of new and highly effective commute options for thousands of employees, affiliates, students, visitors and contractors. One of the many initiatives being considered is a refined Carpool program.

The current carpool program requires three or more persons in a vehicle to qualify for carpool benefits, and requires users to register as a carpool. In order to improve participation in the carpool program, the Lab is implementing a pilot program with streamlined guidelines as outlined below:

1. Designated CARPOOL ONLY spaces will be reserved for CARPOOL vehicles displaying two or more valid parking permits, between 5:00am and 9:30am on weekdays. At 9:30am on weekdays and all day on weekends and holidays, these spaces will be available to everyone with a valid Berkeley Lab parking permit.
2. A vehicle with two or more persons will qualify for carpool benefits, if other conditions are met.
3. Two valid Berkeley Lab issued parking permits must be displayed on the vehicle dash board to park in a designated CARPOOL ONLY parking space. Parking permits displayed must be issued to two different LBNL permit holders.
4. Protective Services will actively enforce this requirement.

These are administrative guidelines, subject to revisions during and/or after the six-month Pilot Program is introduced in August 2016. The following revisions in the current policies are in effect for the duration of the Pilot Program.

CURRENT LANGUAGE	PROPOSED LANGUAGE
Eligibility	
Berkeley Lab employees and affiliates who are registered in the Berkeley Lab Car Pool Program.	Two or more employees who possess valid Berkeley Lab issued parking permits.
Authorized Parking Spaces	
All General and Blue Triangle parking spaces with the exception of Reserved parking spaces and Government Vehicle parking spaces.	All parking spaces open to General permit holders and designated CARPOOL spaces (subject to meeting the Berkeley Lab's Carpool eligibility requirements).