

Carpool Program

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I get a permit to park in a designated CARPOOL ONLY space?

No special permits are required. On the days you carpool, you must display two valid parking permits on the dash board to legally park in a designated CARPOOL ONLY space.

On my way to the Lab, I drop off someone at his/her work. Can I park in the CARPOOL space?

No, carpool spaces are reserved for employees who arrive at the Lab with at least two persons in the vehicle.

I commute with someone who has a temporary permit. Is temporary permit eligible to meet the “two permit” requirement?

Yes, all Lab-issued parking permits are accepted to meet the “two permit” requirement.

I drive with someone who is not eligible for a parking permit. Can I park in the CARPOOL space with my permit only since she does not have one?

No, two valid parking permits must be displayed at all times.

I have a General permit. I carpool with someone who has a Blue Triangle permit. On the days when I drive, can I park in a Blue Triangle space?

Yes, you may park in a Blue Triangle space as long as a Blue Triangle permit is displayed. If the vehicle is parked in a carpool space, two permits must be displayed.

I hold a Green permit previously issued to carpooling employees. May I continue to use this permit?

No, Green permits are void effective September 1, 2016. All Green permit holders were informed to swap their Green permit with another one prior to September 1, 2016. Please contact Site Access (Protective Services) for a replacement permit.

When I had a Green permit, I was allowed to park in Blue Triangle spaces. Why carpoolers are not allowed to park in Blue Triangle spaces anymore?

The prior program required a minimum of three persons per vehicle to be eligible for carpool privileges. The new program requires only two persons per vehicles. In addition, designated carpool spaces have been installed throughout the Hill to encourage carpooling. Therefore, carpool vehicles are no longer allowed to park in Blue Triangle spaces (unless a Blue Triangle permit is displayed).

There are no designated carpool spaces near my building. May I request one?

Yes. Please send an e-mail to commute@lbl.gov.