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Licensed parking in Perth

A guide to licensing non-residential parking bays for 2017-18



The *Perth Parking Management Act 1999* (the Act) requires that all non-residential parking bays within the Perth Parking Management Area (see map overleaf) be licensed with a fee paid where liable.

If you are the owner or the property manager of a property within the Perth Parking Management Area, you are responsible for ensuring you hold a valid parking licence.

This leaflet will guide you through the application process, but it is not intended to be a complete statement of the law and must not be construed to waive or modify any of your legal obligations under the Act. If it does not answer all your questions about the process, please contact the Perth Parking Information Line on (08) 6551 6108.

Why does Perth have a parking management policy?

The policy is part of a wide-ranging plan to reduce traffic congestion, improve pedestrian safety, free up short-term shopper parking and create a central city environment that is both economically and environmentally healthy.

Revenue raised by parking bay licence fees has been used to implement a range of initiatives to help to deliver a more balanced transport system in central Perth. As well as provision of the Free Transit Zone and Central Area Transit (CAT) bus system; the licence revenue funded *CBD Transport Plan 2012-16* initiatives including implementation of bus priority lanes; extension of cycle paths; improvements for pedestrians; a new CAT route and more frequent CAT services; an upgraded traffic management system, road works to improve bus efficiency at Point

Lewis Rotary and contributions to other significant transport infrastructure and initiatives such as the underground bus station on Wellington Street. Since 2012, over \$180 million has been allocated to these improvements.

A more balanced and sustainable transport system benefits all property owners either directly or indirectly by reducing the impact of congestion and by ensuring the central area remains accessible to all users.

Does this apply to residential properties?

Parking bays in buildings exclusively for private residential use do not need to be licensed.

Parking bays in buildings providing for a mix of residents and non-residents must be licensed, but residents do not have to pay a fee for their residential parking bays.

Parking for hotels and serviced apartments is not considered to be residential parking and must therefore be licensed with the appropriate fee paid.

The Department of Transport's role

The Department of Transport is responsible for the administration of the Act and for ensuring that parking within the Perth Parking Management Area is licensed.

The Department has compliance officers with the power to inspect properties and collect information for the purpose of enforcing the Act.

The Office of State Revenue's role

The Office of State Revenue is responsible for revenue collection and administration of the licensing system on behalf of the Director General - Transport.