

## PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

### PARKING FOR STUDENTS/FACULTY/STAFF

#### Registration, Permit and Placard Information

- All motor vehicles operated by staff and students in connection with their employment or attendance at The University of Tennessee must be registered with the Parking Services Department. Registration alone does not confer any parking privileges at any time on campus. Registration improves the security of campus, identifies the operator as affiliated with the University and provides for more expedient notification in the event of any emergency. **THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE FOR REGISTRATION.** (according to UT Traffic and Parking Regulations –II A)
- Persons with disabilities who have a state issued handicap plate/hang tag are not required to purchase a UT Parking Permit. However, they must have a registration hang tag from UT.
- Parking facilities on campus have a marked handicap spaces. In order to park in a marked handicap space, the vehicle must display a state issued handicap plate or hang tag.
- Handicap plates/tags must be issued to the individual driving or being transported.
- Vehicles with handicap plates/tags can also park in any marked unreserved parking space, provided a current UT registration tag and a state issued handicapped plate or hang tag is displayed. This does not include any of the restricted/reserved lots.
- Handicap plates /tags must be from the same state as the registration of the vehicle.
- The T-Access lift service can pick-up from all parking areas, although this may require loading at sidewalk or at lot/garage perimeter. Note: The bus can not go into covered parking facilities.

#### Handicapped Parking on the Hill

- On the Hill, there are a limited number of handicap spaces available. These spaces are located near Austin Peay, Ayres, and Dabney/Buehler.
- Additional handicapped parking is available in the parking area west of Perkins.

- The 11th Street Garage is available for students, faculty and staff. There are 26 Handicapped spaces in the garage. A pedestrian walkway provides direct access from the garage to the hill.

#### Loading/Unloading on the Hill

- Vehicles displaying a current area 7 permit may use the 15-minute loading/unloading spaces without other credentials but are subject to strict enforcement of the designated spaces.
- Departmental Unloading Permits will be issued to units located on Ayres Circle. Departments will check out permits to individuals in advance that need access to unloading areas. These permits provide access. Restricted times will be strictly enforced.

#### Closure of "Hill" roads

- Circle Drive and Middle Way Drive/Estabrook, located on "The Hill", will be temporarily closed to vehicular traffic from time to time due to construction.
- Limited access may be available at the Cumberland entrance to Circle Drive for those with disability placards/plates, as well as "The T-Access" lift service and some delivery trucks.
- An Officer will be available to assist with these special circumstances.

#### TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The T, operated by Knoxville Area Transit (KAT), has a number of on campus services available to students, faculty, staff and visitors.

The two main University bus routes (East/West and North/South) both have low floor kneeling buses to assist people with disabilities. These buses are available to everyone.

The T-Access lift service:

- The T-Access is a demand response service available to anyone with an Access ID card issued by The Office of Disability Services. The service areas for Access are restricted to the UT Main & Ag Campus and university-owned facilities in the Ft. Sanders area.
- ODS issues both year long passes for those with permanent disabilities and limited duration passes for those with temporary disabilities. Medical verification of the disability must be provided.

- The T-Access lift service can pick-up from all parking areas, although this may require loading at sidewalk or at lot/garage perimeter. Note: The bus can not go into covered parking facilities.
- The T-Access lift service is available Monday – Friday, 7:00 am – 6:00 pm and may be reached from any phone at 974-4080.
- Between 6:00 pm – 7:00 am, The T’s “Link” operates on the Main & Agriculture Ag campus as well as the Ft. Sanders area. All Access callers should identify themselves as possessing a valid Access ID card when calling during this time to ensure a service level equal to that during Access hours. NOTE: No service is available on the Cumberland Ave. Strip and service hours may vary during university closures and breaks. Visit [www.RideTheT.com](http://www.RideTheT.com) for updates.
- The T-Access lift service can be called from any blue light emergency phone. These are located around campus and in all of the parking lots.

For other public transportation options in the campus area through KAT, go to [www.RideTheT.com](http://www.RideTheT.com) and [www.katbus.com](http://www.katbus.com) . Almost all KAT buses and trolley’s are accessible.

Everyone is encouraged to look into alternative parking and transportation options as the campus becomes more pedestrian friendly. Listed below are several parking lots that are recommended for easy pick-up and drop-off.

## RECOMMENDED LOTS FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF USING THE T ACCESS

These parking lots have been identified for the ease of Access pick-up, visibility and the proximity to curb cuts, crosswalks, and accessible parking spaces.

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Access Pick-up Location</u>
C-3	Curb on Lake Loudon
S-23	Curb on Phillip Fulmer near Thompson-Boling Arena Ticket Office
S-30	Curb at Gate 13 outside of Neyland Stadium
Perkins Hall	At lot entrance on Middle Drive
S-9 (south end)	Curb on south side corner of Phillip Fulmer and Peyton Manning Pass
S-9 (north end)	Campus Transfer Point outside of Neyland Stadium near Gate 21
C-5	Curb on Lake Loudon
C-6	Curb outside of Financial Aid Office entrance
N-1	Curb on Melrose Ave.
S-23	Corner of lot near accessible spaces next to Student Health OR Curb behind Music Building
N-7	At Blue Phone outside of garage entrance
S-7	Curb on 13 <sup>th</sup> St.
G-10	Curb at Tee Martin & Phillip Fulmer
G-11	Curb on Terrace Ave. (far side) outside garage entrance
G-12	Curb at entrance on White Ave.
G-13	Curb at entrance between garage and Jesse Harris