

Accessible Parking Overview

Prairie View A&M University provides accessible parking spaces for use by individuals with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). Designated accessible parking spaces are for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying county-issued ISA (International Symbol of Access) disabled hangtags or ISA disabled license plates in addition to a valid PVAMU parking permit linked to their license plate. These spaces are available to eligible students, faculty/staff, and visitors. This policy provides the guidelines governing the use of these parking spaces and the issuance of accessible parking permits to eligible students, faculty/staff, and visitors.

Several times a year, special events affect campus parking. These times include, but are not limited to, days when special events bring large numbers of visitors to campus such as: Homecoming, home football games, graduation, move-in/move-out, as well as times when Parking Management staff is not on duty or not able to man the parking lot. Additional parking rules and regulations/accommodations can be found on our Parking Management website: www.pvamu.edu/parking.

Parking Management is committed to providing programs and services that ensure compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements contained in section 35.107 of the Department of Justice regulations. Information concerning the provisions contained and the rights provided within the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) are available below. Parking Management is committed to providing programs and services that do not discriminate based on a disability.

Disabled Faculty, Staff and Students

Designated accessible parking spaces in surface lots are for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying county-issued ISA disabled hangtags or ISA disabled license plates. Individuals who park in accessible spaces must link their license plate to the temporary Prairie View A&M University parking permit AND display their county-issued ISA disabled hangtag (or ISA disabled license plate affixed in the designated location on the vehicle). The ISA county-issued disabled hangtag must be hanging on the rearview mirror. Unauthorized parking in accessible parking spaces, in the access aisles between two accessible spaces, or blocking accessible ramps is a violation for which persons will be issued a \$500 citation. Night privileges are not extended to accessible spaces for vehicles without disabled designation.

Persons who park in accessible spaces must link their license plate to their own valid Prairie View A&M University parking permit and always display their ISA county-issued disabled hangtag or ISA disabled license plate. Permits are required according to the [parking rules](#). The ISA disabled hangtag or ISA disabled license plate must be issued in the name of the disabled person utilizing the vehicle parked in an accessible space. ISA disabled placards, driver license, identification card and similar information must be provided upon request by; a uniformed Parking Service Officer or a University Police Officer in order to demonstrate proof of eligibility for accessible parking privileges. Please note, those displaying disabled and decorated veteran plates are not exempt from paying special event parking rates, including home football game day parking fees (except for lots 6,94 and 96).

With a county-issued ISA disabled hangtag or ISA disabled license plate, PLUS a Prairie View A&M University parking permit or paid visitor parking permit through ParkMobile that is linked to their license plate; a person may park in any unrestricted space within any ungated lot or an adjacent ungated lot if all accessible spaces in the assigned lot are occupied. Privileges DO NOT extend to Reserved, Gated, or lots designated for Special Events. Faculty/Staff members must renew their permit annually (each August) and Students must renew their permit semesterly by the 5th day of classes. Each permit is allowed to have up to 5 vehicles attached as long as only one vehicle is present at a time. Permit holders must make sure to add a rental or temporary vehicle to their account prior to parking on-campus. You must make sure to contact the Parking Management Office (Harrington Science, Room 117 or 936-261-1701) and we will deactivate and remove the rental/temporary vehicle from the account.

Companions who drive for disabled individuals may utilize designated accessible parking spaces only in the lots where they are transporting the individual with the disabling condition. It would be considered a violation of the parking regulations for a companion to drop a disabled passenger at a building on one side of campus and park in an accessible space on the other side of campus. Companions parking in accessible spaces must display the disabled individual's county-issued ISA hangtag or be driving the individual's vehicle with an ISA disabled license plate, in addition to the disabled person's Prairie View A&M University parking permit linked to their license plate.

DISABLED/DECORATED VETERAN PARKING

Visitors/Faculty/Staff/Students

The state of Texas recognizes and honors all veterans with disabilities whose vehicles display the disabled Veteran (DV) license plates issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles. Individuals displaying these plates are exempt from the payment of fees in the pay by space area of Lots 5A, 6, 13, 53, 63, 75, 86, 91 and 96. Parking Management honors and thanks our disabled veterans for their service.

Designated accessible parking spaces in non-reserved and non-gated surface lots are for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying county-issued ISA disabled hangtags or ISA disabled license plates in addition to a valid Prairie View A&M permit linked to their license plate. All military plates must carry the universal symbol of access (ISA) or display your county issued ISA disabled placard to be eligible to park in designated accessible spaces. With a county-issued ISA disabled hangtag or ISA disabled Veteran license plate PLUS a Prairie View A&M University parking permit linked to their license plate; a Veterans may park in any unrestricted space within any ungated lot or an adjacent ungated lot if all accessible spaces in the assigned lot are occupied. Please note, those displaying disabled and decorated veteran plates are not exempt from paying special event parking rates, including home football game day parking fees (except for lots 6,94 and 96).

Faculty, Staff and Student Permitting

All veterans with disabilities, whose vehicles display the special license plates issued by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, listed [here](#) (please review the Military License Plate tab), must register for a university parking permit for which they are eligible for (currently paid by the university so there is no cost to the Veteran). All members of the university community who wish to bring a vehicle on campus are required to obtain a parking permit. (Limited to one disabled or decorated Veteran permit per customer.) Parking Management honors and thanks our disabled veterans for their service.

Faculty/Staff members must renew their permit annually (each August) and Students must renew their permit semesterly by the 5th day of classes. Each permit is allowed to have up to 5 vehicles attached as long as only one vehicle is present at a time. Permit holders must make sure to add a rental or temporary vehicle to their account prior to parking on-campus. You must make sure to contact the Parking Management Office (Harrington Science, Room 117 or 936-261-1701) and we will deactivate and remove the rental/temporary vehicle from the account.

*Students at Prairie View A&M who are not residents of Texas, may still receive this benefit if their vehicle shows the appropriate DV plates issued by Department of Motor Vehicles for their state of residency.

Designated accessible parking spaces in Student Commuter or Residential lots are for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying county-issued ISA disabled hangtags or ISA disabled license plates. All military plates must carry the universal symbol of access (ISA) or display your county issued ISA disabled placard to be eligible to park in designated accessible spaces. Please note, those displaying disabled and decorated veteran plates are not exempt from paying special event parking rates, including home football game day parking fees (except for lots 6,94 and 96).

Football Gameday

On home football game days, all veterans with disabilities whose vehicles display the special license plates issued by their state's Department of Motor Vehicles, may park for free in Lots 6, 94 and 96 on a space-available basis by presenting the following items:

- Vehicle Registration Paperwork.
- Picture ID/Drivers License – This should be the same as the owner of the vehicle.
- Parking Management staff should see a DV or Purple Heart (PH) plate on the vehicle.

ACCESSIBLE NIGHT & WEEKEND PARKING

Privileges to park in accessible or unrestricted spaces in Commuter Lots (Lots 5A, 13, 14, 66, 75, 80, and 96) from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. are included with all valid Prairie View A&M University permits for customers who also display county-issued ISA disabled hangtags or ISA disabled license plates. Individuals who park in accessible spaces must link their license plate to their Prairie View A&M University parking permit AND display their county-issued ISA disabled hangtag (or ISA disabled license plate affixed in the designated location on the vehicle). The ISA county-issued disabled hangtag must be hanging on the rearview mirror.