

Policy

Title: Residential Parking Permits in Metered Areas

Category: Parking Control

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1. Objectives

To improve residential amenity and provide a better balance of on-street parking supply in residential areas where residences have little or no off-street parking provided and commuters are heavily using residential zones to park their vehicles.

2. Background

The policy was developed as a result of the Hobart Central Area Traffic and Parking Study developed with the purpose of discouraging commuter parking causing disadvantage to local residents with access to no off-street parking.

3. Policy

That applicants for residential permits within metered areas only be considered from areas outlined on the following list and subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. The vehicle must have a Tasmanian registration in the applicant's name.
2. Only one permit is issued for each separately assessed residential property in any area prescribed by the Council (as detailed below) subject to (4).
3. Where more than one residential unit is located on a site the number of permits shall not exceed the number of spaces located in the street outside the frontage of the property.
4. A permit can be issued only if no off-street parking is available on the property.
5. Every permit must be applied for on the proper application form and the required fees paid.

6. Owners or tenants of properties with off street parking, which is either commercialised by the owner or utilised by non-residents, will be refused resident parking permits to park on the street.
7. All permits expire on the 30th of June each year and a new application must be made for the succeeding year. The fee paid is for one year and no allowance or rebate can be made for a shorter period.
8. The permit ceases to be valid on the change of ownership of the vehicle or change of address of the holder of the permit.
9. If requested, the permit holder is to present the vehicle to the Manager Economic Development when a permit ceases to be valid under Condition 8 in order to verify that the permit label has been removed.
10. A permit for another vehicle for a residential property will not be issued until Condition 9 above has been satisfied.
11. Every permit will have inscribed on it the vehicle registration number for which it was issued and the permit is non-transferrable.
12. Where a permit holder changes vehicles a new application must be made and another label fee is payable.
13. Every permit must be properly affixed to the windscreen or a front window of the vehicle on the near (left hand) side of the vehicle in such a manner as to be clearly visible from the outside of the vehicle.
14. The issue of the permit does not guarantee the availability of any parking space to the holder.
15. The permit is only valid for the area for which it is issued.
16. Deposits as detailed are required for the issue of permits:
 - (i) In the case of a resident owner or the spouse of a resident owner, no deposit.
 - (ii) In any other case, such fee as may be determined by the Council.
17. Deposits cannot be refunded unless Condition 9 has been satisfied.
18. Permits can only be issued for private passenger vehicles and not for commercial vehicles.
19. The permit may be cancelled by an authorised Council employee for a breach of any of the above conditions.
20. The permit is issued subject to direction of an authorised Council employee at any time.

STREETS WHERE PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED

- Goulburn between Harrington and Barrack;
- Barrack between Liverpool and Goulburn;
- Murray between Melville and Brisbane;
- Campbell between Brisbane and Patrick;
- Brisbane between Campbell and Argyle; and
- Wilmot.

Any other street where a separately assessed house remains in use as a residential dwelling within what has now become a predominantly commercial area may be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

4. Legislation, Terminology and References

The CBD area is the area bordered by Brisbane, Harrington, Davey and Campbell Streets.

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