

Car parking and driving

The Sunshine Coast is a popular destination attracting visitors and locals to the area.

Parking and driving regulations are in place for the safety of both motorists and pedestrians. Signage is in place to help motorists follow regulations.

Yellow edge lines

A yellow line along the edge of the road means no stopping is permitted on that section of the road.

No stopping

'No Stopping' signs are displayed on posts or road markings. A driver must not stop on any part of the road that states 'No Stopping'.

'No Stopping' areas are for the safety of motorists and pedestrians. This also helps for the easy flow of traffic.

No parking

'No Parking' signs mean that you can stop your car in this area for up to two minutes only. The driver must remain in the vehicle whilst picking up and dropping off passengers.

Loading zones

There are two types of loading zones.

Commercial vehicles only

May only be used by vehicles whose primary role is to carry goods (for example utes, vans and trucks). The sign will indicate if the loading zone is for the use of commercial vehicles only.

Unspecified

These loading zones can be used for up to 30 minutes for the loading and unloading of

goods. This zone also has a time limit of two minutes for the loading and unloading of passengers.

Metered or time limited parking

Time limited parking will be depicted with a sign stating how long you are allowed to park. For example, 2P means you are allowed to park for 2 hours.

**Note: If the letter P is on its own there is no time limit.*

Disability parking

This parking area is for people with disabilities only. Vehicles parked in these spaces must display a current parking permit for people with disabilities.

A driver must either be the permit holder or be parking the vehicle for a passenger who is disabled and holds a current permit.

There are two types of Disabled Permits.

Blue disabled permit

- Allowed to park for free in metered and regulated areas where the time limit is more than 30 minutes.
- Allowed to park in disability parking bays. Including bays near hospitals and shopping centres.

Red disabled permit

- Allowed to park in disability parking bays in off-street locations only.

Information about disability parking permits is available from the Department of Social Services.

<https://www.dss.gov.au/disability-and-carers>

Bus zones

- A driver must not stop in a bus zone.
- A driver must not stop within 20 metres before a bus stop sign.
- A driver must not stop 10 meters after a bus stop sign.

School zones

When travelling near school zones must be aware of parking and driving regulations.

School zones display signs indicating the speed you can travel, and where to park. For example some signs indicate 'Pick up' and 'Drop off' only. Drivers must pay attention to these signs.

Parking on a footpath

A driver must not park or block vehicles or pedestrian access in the following areas:

- Footpath
- Median strip
- Painted island
- Bicycle path.

Car "For Sale"

A person must not park and advertise their vehicle for sale on Council owned land.

Parking on a reserve or park

A person must not bring or drive a motor vehicle into a park or reserve, unless there are signs in place that indicate otherwise.

Prohibited parking areas

You are required to keep a safe distance when parking your car near the below areas.

- Post boxes
- Bus stops
- Centre lines

For more information

For more information on local parking please visit our website.

For more information on Queensland road rules and legislation please visit:

www.tmr.qld.gov.au

Multicultural Welcome Hub

Find out where you can get support, how you can meet people and explore your new community. Listen to stories of other migrants.

www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/multicultural

Do you need language help?

If you have difficulty speaking or understanding English, you can call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on 131 450 and request to be transferred to Sunshine Coast Council on 5475 7272.



Translating online information

You can use Google Chrome to translate webpages into another language. Follow these steps to activate this function:

- On your computer, open Chrome.
- At the top right, click More Settings.
- At the bottom, click Advanced.
- Under "Languages," click Language.
- Check or uncheck "Offer to translate pages that aren't in a language you read."

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