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## Parking Ordinance<sup>1</sup>

(Resolution of the Executive Board of 26 September 2024)

*The Executive Board of ETH Zurich,*

on the basis of Art. 10 para. 3 a) and 23 para. 1 of the Fee Ordinance of the ETH Domain of 31 May 1995<sup>2</sup> and Art. 6 of the ETHZ General Fee Ordinance of 16 April 1996<sup>3</sup> as well as Art. 4 para. 1 c) of the ETH Zurich Organisation Ordinance of 16 December 2003<sup>4</sup>

orders:

### Teil I. General provisions

#### Art. 1 Scope of application

- <sup>1</sup> This Parking Ordinance applies to all ETH Zurich sites, both owned and rented.
- <sup>2</sup> Parking spaces include uncovered (surface parking spaces) and covered parking areas (car parks).

#### Art. 2 Overriding federal law

This Ordinance is subject to the overriding Federal regulations on road traffic, in particular the Road Traffic Act of 19 December 1958<sup>5</sup>, the Traffic Regulations Ordinance of 13 November 1962<sup>6</sup> and the Street Sign Ordinance of 5 September 1979<sup>7</sup>.

#### Art. 3 Liability

- <sup>1</sup> ETH Zurich expressly rejects any liability for theft of or damage to vehicles in parking spaces on its premises, subject to the provisions of para. 2.
- <sup>2</sup> ETH Zurich's liability is reserved for any property damage caused by ETH Zurich employees to parked vehicles in the course of their official duties. It may take recourse against employees if they have caused the damage wilfully or through gross negligence.

#### Art. 4 Responsibility

- <sup>1</sup> The Vice President for Infrastructure and Sustainability determines the amount of the parking fees in accordance with Annex 1.

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<sup>1</sup>All terms referring to persons in this Ordinance refer to persons of both genders.

<sup>2</sup> SR 414.131.7

<sup>3</sup> RSETHZ 211.2

<sup>4</sup> RSETHZ 201.021

<sup>5</sup> SR 741.01

<sup>6</sup> SR 741.11

<sup>7</sup> SR 741.21

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<sup>2</sup> The Campus Services department is responsible for parking space management and decides on the granting and withdrawal of parking permits. It monitors and controls compliance with this Ordinance and may issue supplementary provisions for individual areas.

### **Art. 5 Usable parking areas**

<sup>1</sup> The parking areas at ETH Zurich are divided into the following:

- a) car parks;
- b) surfaces in Zurich City area;
- c) surfaces in external locations.

<sup>2</sup> Parking is only permitted in appropriately marked areas.

## **Teil II. Parking permits**

### **Art. 6 Principle**

<sup>1</sup> The use of parking areas at ETH Zurich requires a parking permit and is subject to a charge. Exceptions are set out in Art. 14.

<sup>2</sup> No entitlement to a parking permit can be derived from an employment or other contractual relationship with ETH Zurich or enrolment at ETH Zurich.

<sup>3</sup> Parking spaces are generally impersonal. There is no entitlement to a specific or personal parking space, nor to specific availability. The exception is the "Personal parking spaces" category in accordance with Annex 1.

<sup>4</sup> Students may only park in the car parks at the ETH-Hönggerberg site.

<sup>5</sup> Only motor vehicles (including motorbikes and mopeds) with a valid licence plate may be parked.

### **Art. 7 Authorisation categories**

The authorisation categories for parking in ETH Zurich parking areas and the corresponding prices are set out in Annex 1.

### **Art. 8 Parking space rentals**

Art. 9 and 12 govern the parking space rental authorisation category.

### **Art. 9 Persons authorised to rent parking spaces**

<sup>1</sup> The following persons are authorised to rent a parking space:

- a) ETH Zurich employees;
- b) ETH Zurich doctoral students;
- c) ETH Zurich students;
- d) associated entities of ETH Zurich.

<sup>2</sup> All persons, regardless of their function, who have an employment relationship with ETH Zurich are deemed to be employees.

<sup>3</sup> Doctoral students are all persons who are enrolled for a doctoral programme at ETH Zurich, regardless of whether or not they are in an employment relationship with ETH Zurich.

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<sup>4</sup> All persons enrolled in a Bachelor's or Master's degree programme at ETH Zurich are considered students.

<sup>5</sup> Employees of ETH-associated entities are persons who are in an employment relationship with an ETH-associated entity included in the organisational structure (e.g. VSETH, AVETH, ASVZ).

### **Art. 10 Validity of parking space rentals**

<sup>1</sup> The permit is generally valid for parking in parking spaces in the price category applied for in accordance with Annex 1.

<sup>2</sup> With the exception of para. 4, the parking space rental is valid for an indefinite period.

<sup>3</sup> The parking space rental can be cancelled by either party by giving one month's notice to the end of any month.

<sup>4</sup> Parking space rentals for students are limited in time. They are valid for one semester plus the following semester break. Early cancellation is not possible.

<sup>5</sup> Parking tokens must be returned to the Campus Services department upon cancellation of the parking space rental.

### **Art. 11 Parking token for parking space rentals**

<sup>1</sup> Depending on the location, a valid parking token is required for parking.

<sup>2</sup> The parking token must be affixed to the windscreen of motor vehicles so that it is clearly visible from the outside.

<sup>3</sup> For motorbikes, the parking token must be clearly visible.

### **Art. 12 Changes to parking space rentals**

<sup>1</sup> The following changes must be reported to the Campus Services department without being asked:

- a) changes to the licence plate;
- b) change of private address;
- c) change of office address;
- d) termination of employment or enrolment.

<sup>2</sup> Replacement vehicles must be labelled as such. A clearly visible written reference to the licence plate number of the regular vehicle for which the parking token or parking space rental is valid must be affixed to the windscreen.

## **Teil III. Fees**

### **Art. 13 Principle**

<sup>1</sup> The fees for the individual parking permits are set out in Annex 1. The fees are reviewed at least every five years and adjusted if necessary.

<sup>2</sup> The fee must be paid when obtaining the parking permit. Exceptions are listed in para. 3 et seq.

<sup>3</sup> Employees who are entitled to rent a parking space will have the fee deducted directly from their monthly salary.

<sup>4</sup> Persons authorised to rent parking spaces without the option of salary deduction will receive an invoice.

<sup>5</sup> Fees for parking permits related to business trips or business necessity can be settled via the expense report, and for guests, via the cost centre.

#### **Art. 14 Order and reduction**

- <sup>1</sup> Parking for bicycles is free of charge. However, motorbikes must be provided with a parking token. See also Art. 11 para. 3.
- <sup>2</sup> The fee is waived for persons with physical disabilities who have a valid parking permit for the disabled.
- <sup>3</sup> Construction measures or operational changes may temporarily restrict parking or make it impossible. This does not give rise to any entitlement to a reduction or refund of the fee, provided there is an alternative or the restriction does not last longer than two weeks.

### **Teil IV. Breaches**

#### **Art. 15 Administrative fine, complaint**

- <sup>1</sup> Anyone who disregards a judicial prohibition posted at a parking area or a prohibition issued on the basis of Art. 2 para. 5 of the Road Traffic Act of 19 December 1958<sup>8</sup> must pay an administrative fine of CHF 50.
- <sup>2</sup> If the fine is not paid, a complaint may be lodged or a criminal complaint may be filed for violation of a judicial prohibition. Failure to comply with a judicial prohibition may be punished with a fine of up to CHF 2,000 in accordance with Art. 258 para. 1 of the Swiss Code of Civil Procedure of 19 December 2008<sup>9</sup>. In addition, the offender must expect to incur costs for the criminal proceedings.
- <sup>3</sup> Any police fines and procedural costs as well as inspection fees must always be paid personally by the driver concerned, even if the vehicle is used for business purposes, and may not be charged to ETH Zurich's financial resources.

#### **Art. 16 Removal of illegally parked vehicles**

- <sup>1</sup> Illegally parked vehicles, in particular those parked outside of signposted and/or marked parking spaces or which obstruct safety-relevant emergency access routes (e.g. fire brigade, ambulance) or other access and exit routes may be removed by the Campus Services department at the owner's expense.
- <sup>2</sup> This also applies to bicycles, electric scooters, mopeds and motorbikes that are parked outside the marked areas or inside buildings.

#### **Art. 17 Storage of goods in parking areas**

- <sup>1</sup> The storage of goods or objects of any kind is prohibited in all parking areas – including personal parking spaces.
- <sup>2</sup> All goods or objects stored in parking areas may be removed at the expense of the perpetrator after an unsuccessful reminder.

#### **Art. 18 Further breaches**

- <sup>1</sup> Further breaches of this Ordinance include in particular
  - a) changing the text pre-printed on the parking permits or the date entered (e.g. on day tickets);
  - b) copying or otherwise misusing a parking permit;

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<sup>8</sup> SR 741.01

<sup>9</sup> SR 272

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c) subletting parking spaces;

d) transferring internally discounted parking permits.

<sup>2</sup> In the event of a violation of the Parking Ordinance, the Campus Services department can immediately revoke the parking permit and inform the offending person's superior.

### **Teil V. Final provisions**

#### **Art. 19 Cancellation of previous rules**

The Parking Ordinance of 13 December 2016 is cancelled.

#### **Art. 20 Entry into force**

This Parking Ordinance enters into force on 1 January 2025.

The Executive Board of ETH Zurich

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