

CARPOOLS

Transportation Services at the University of Wisconsin – Madison strongly encourages employees to share the ride! Carpools are a great way to share your commute costs, reduce your environmental footprint and limit car traffic in and around campus.

CARPOOL BENEFITS

- Share permit cost.
- Share gas and car costs. The average commuter who drives 16 miles one-way to work in a vehicle with average fuel economy will spend about \$1,300 per year in gas alone! Add vehicle depreciation, maintenance, insurance and other costs and your car commute costs you thousands every year.
- Emergency Ride Home. <http://transportation.wisc.edu/resources/emergencyride.aspx>
- Transportation Services provides each registered carpool member with **six (6) complimentary, temporary full-day parking permits per year!** These are offered in case a member cannot use the carpool a particular day and needs to park on campus. To claim a daily permit, visit one of our offices on the day you need to drive separate from the carpool.

CARPOOL REQUIREMENTS

- UW Transportation Services considers a carpool to be two or more employees who qualify for annual parking on campus (including spouses) driving to campus together in one vehicle on a near-daily basis with one designated permit owner.
- Students are not eligible to be part of a carpool. A designated carpool permit owner is responsible for applying for parking, registering the carpool upon accepting the carpool's permit, adding or deleting license numbers, and returning permits.

HOW TO FORM OR FIND A CARPOOL



Transportation Services partners with Dane County Rideshare to help individuals form and find carpools. We strongly encourage you to register at www.rideshareetc.org as a driver, passenger or both! You can also call 608-266-RIDE or email rideshare@cityofmadison.com.

Other online ridematching websites:

www.AlterNetRides.com
www.Carpoolworld.com

www.eRideShare.com
www.lcarpool.com

www.NuRide.com
www.Zimride.com

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IMPORTANT!

Two options are offered for carpools. The first option is to register your carpool. The second option is to apply for a carpool permit (for carpools of 3+).

OPTION 1: CARPOOL REGISTRATION

(1) Parking. One member of the carpool must have an annual base lot parking permit. This person is considered the “captain” and is responsible for the permit, including cost. For more information visit our Permit page. All other members are ineligible for an annual base lot parking permit but are eligible for the following parking permits: Afternoon, Night, Flex, Park & Ride, Moped, & Motorcycle.

(2) Form a carpool.

A carpool is defined as two or more UW employees who qualify for parking on campus that choose to drive to campus in a single vehicle on a daily (or near-daily) basis. Students are not eligible. The best way to form a carpool is to register as a rider or driver (or both) at www.rideshareetc.org. Another good bet is to ask coworkers or neighbors if they would be interested in the benefits of carpooling. Transportation Services cannot suggest matches.

(3) Register.

<http://transportation.wisc.edu/forms/CarpoolRegistration.aspx>

(4) Enjoy the benefits!

OPTION 2: CARPOOL PERMIT APPLICATION

- Carpool permits are available to carpools of three or more members.
- Carpool permits are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Waitlists are formed thereafter.
- Carpool permits are available in the following lots.
 - 6 Helen C. White Garage
 - 7 Granger Hall Garage
 - 17 Engineering Drive Ramp
 - 29 North Park Street Ramp
 - 34 Tripp Hall
 - 36 Observatory Drive Ramp
 - 46 Lake & Johnson Ramp
 - 60 800 Walnut Street
 - 62 Veterinary Medicine / Natatorium
 - 76 University Bay Ramp
- Apply for a carpool permit at <http://transportation.wisc.edu/forms/CarpoolRegistration.aspx>
- After you submit your application, you will be contacted with further instructions.
- You will be notified of you application status before the annual base lot offers are sent.

VANPOOLS

Lose the hassle of driving while you save money on gas, vehicle wear and tear, and parking with the Wisconsin State Vanpool program!

VANPOOLS DEFINED

Vanpools are groups of 7 to 15 commuters sharing their ride to work in a passenger van that is owned, insured and serviced by the Wisconsin State Vanpool Program. Passengers share the cost of operating the van by paying a fare based on fixed costs, the number of riders, and the number of miles driven. The fare covers all costs including gas, insurance and van maintenance. This is usually much cheaper than driving your own vehicle—especially when you factor in the total cost of owning and operating a car.

Most outlying areas offer vanpool options to campus. Find a match at <http://www.rideshareetc.org/>

Learn more and find vanpools at <http://www.doa.state.wi.us/vanpool>

ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES

- Participants of the state vanpool program will automatically receive the base lot parking permit requested and one alternate area assignment if needed for a backup driver.
- Participants in the State Vanpool can purchase their parking permit with pretax income via payroll deduction.
- Vanpool members are eligible for the Emergency Ride Home (ERH) program.
- If you like to drive, you could commute for free. Drivers are allowed up to 100% deduction for their services. Drivers also have occasional use of the van for a nominal mileage fee.

For more information visit www.transportation.wisc.edu or email tdm@fpm.wisc.edu.