



Galway City Council Parking Control Bye-Laws, 2025

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Galway City Council in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Sections 4(2) and 36 respectively of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, (No. 7 of 1994) and Section 101 of the Road Traffic Act 1961 as amended and Section 65 of the Local Government Act 2001, and having consulted with the Commissioner of An Garda Síochána, hereby make the following Bye-Laws in relation to the control and regulation of the parking of vehicles in the administrative area of Galway City.

Citation: 1 These Bye-Laws may be cited as the Galway City Council Parking Control Bye-Laws 2025.

Commencement: 2 These Bye-Laws shall come into operation on the 9th day of January 2026.

Area of Application: 3 These Bye-Laws shall apply to the areas comprising the administrative area of Galway City.

Interpretation: 4 In these Bye-Laws:

“**Galway City Council**” means Council of the City of Galway and is hereinafter referred to as “The Council”.

“**The Roads Traffic Acts**” mean the Road Traffic Acts, 1961 to 2024 any Act amending, extending, consolidating or re-enacting those Acts from time to time,

“**The Signs Regulations**” means the Road Traffic (Signs) Regulations 2024 (S.1. No. 200 of 2024) and any statutory instrument amending, replacing, consolidating or re-enacting those regulations from time to time.

“**The National Regulations**” means all regulations made pursuant to The Roads Traffic Acts and any statutory instrument amending, replacing, consolidating or re-enacting those regulations from time to time.

“**agent of the Council**” means any person employed by Galway City Council or any other person authorised by the Council to carry out functions under these Bye-Laws;

“**appropriate fee**” means the fee, prescribed in these Bye-Laws, for the parking area in which the vehicle is parked,

“**appropriate pay & display parking ticket machine**” means a pay and display parking ticket machine located on the public road or car park in which the vehicle is parked or on an adjacent public road,

“**acceptable evidence**” means the following: -

- a) a current insurance certificate which indicates that the vehicle in respect of which the resident’s parking permit has been applied for is normally kept at the resident’s address

in the residential parking permit area to which the permit relates;

- b) where the applicant is the owner of the vehicle in respect of which the application for a resident's parking permit is being made and the vehicle is insured by his/her employer, the employer's insurance certificate and satisfactory documentary evidence from the employer that the applicant is in full time employment of the company and that the specified vehicle is insured by the company, or
- c) where the applicant is not the registered owner of the vehicle in respect of which the application for a resident's parking permit is being made, but has the use of the vehicle in the course of his or her employment, the employer's insurance certificate for the vehicle and satisfactory documentary evidence from the employer, who is registered owner of the vehicle, that the applicant is in the full time employment of the registered owner and that the vehicle is normally kept by the applicant at the resident's address in the resident's parking permit zone to which the permit will relate, and
- d) except in the case of paragraph (c) of this Bye-Law, a vehicle licensing certificate, registration book confirming that the resident applying for a resident's parking permit is the registered owner of the vehicle in respect of which the application for a resident's parking permit is being made and that the vehicle is registered at the residents's address in the residential parking permit zone to which the permit will relate and
- e) a driving or provisional licence in the name of the resident applying for the resident's parking permit and
- f) current utility bills, financial statements, tenancy agreement or other documentation, acceptable to the Council, addressed to the resident at his/her address on the public road which relates to the parking permit;
- g) The Council may renew a resident's parking permit on submission of a completed application form and on payment of the appropriate fee without submission of 'acceptable evidence';
- h) At any stage prior to the expiry of a resident's parking permit the Council may request the person to whom a permit was issued to produce 'acceptable evidence' to satisfy the Council that they were entitled to be issued with the permit. Any such request will be made in writing to the person to whom the permit was issued at the address given by that person on the application form;
- i) In the event of 'acceptable evidence' not being produced to the Council within one month from the date of the written request the Council may, at its discretion, deem the

resident's parking permit to be invalid and cancel the permit without further notice.

"authorised person" has the meaning assigned to it by Section 103 (8) (inserted by the Road Traffic Act 1968) (No 25 of 1968) of the Road Traffic Act 1961.

"buffer area" means an area between two pay parking places;

"carpark" means an area which comprises an area for the parking of mechanically propelled vehicles by virtue of having marked bays suitable for parking of vehicles designated for parking of which the Council is the registered owner or in which the Council has a legal, proprietary or equitable interest.

"carer" means a person who is providing care to a Resident who requires on-going daily care of a chronic illness.

"carer's parking permit" means a document issued by the City Council which fulfils the purpose of Bye-Laws Nos. 28, 29, 30 & 31 containing particulars specified in Section 28 (1) to 28 (9), 29, 30 & 31 of these Bye-Laws.

"disabled persons parking bay" means a space on a public road or car park intended for the parking of a vehicle the driver of which or a passenger in which is disabled and so indicated by sign RRM 015 or by ground or other markings or signs.

"disabled persons parking permit" means a Parking Permit for a person with a disability issued by the Irish Wheelchair Association or the Disabled Drivers Association. A permit issued by state authorities is also recognised.

"electric vehicle" means a vehicle that is powered solely by means of a re-chargeable battery or by means of a re-chargeable battery and an internal combustion.

"electric vehicle parking bay" means a parking bay provided for the sole purpose of charging electric vehicles.

"goods vehicle" means a vehicle used exclusively for carrying goods and taxed for commercial purposes.

"house" has the meaning assigned to it in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001

"information plate" means a plate accompanying a traffic sign which indicates the period during which the restrictions or prohibition indicated by such traffic sign applies;

"loading Bay" has the meaning assigned to it in article 42 of the National Regulations and is indicated by means of traffic sign No. RRM 009 of the Signs Regulations accompanied by an information plate.

“operational hours” means the periods 8.30 hours to 18.30 hours from Monday to Saturday inclusive except where otherwise indicated on:

- (1) An information plate accompanying traffic sign number RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations in the ticket parking area where the vehicle is parked or
- (2) The appropriate pay and display parking ticket machine located on the public road in which the vehicle is parked or on an adjacent public road,

“owner” means a resident by whom a vehicle is habitually kept and used;

“parking bay” means a space on a public road or car park intended for the parking of one vehicle and so indicated by ground or other markings or signs.

“parking permit” means a resident's parking permit, visitors or carers parking permit issued by the Council or its agents for the purposes of Bye-Laws Nos. 21 to 30 and containing the particulars specified in Bye-Laws No.21 and 29;

“parking permit area” means a parking area on a public road or car park intended for the parking of vehicles and so indicated by ground or other markings or signs.

“parking place” means a place on a public road or carpark which is a ticket parking place,

“Pay and Display Parking Ticket” means a parking ticket which is issued by the Council by means of a pay and display parking ticket machine and which contains the following particulars:

- (a) The words “Comhairle Cathrach Na Gaillimhe” and/or ‘Galway City Council’
- (b) The fee paid in respect of the ticket,
- (c) The date and time of issue of the ticket,
- (d) The time of expiry of the ticket.

“Pay and Display Parking Ticket Machine” means a machine capable of automatically delivering a pay and display parking ticket when the appropriate parking fee prescribed by these bye-laws is paid.

“permit database” means the electronic database maintained by Galway City Council for the purpose of recording particulars of resident and carers parking permits; a vehicle shall be deemed to have a valid permit where its registration number is recorded in the permit database.

“public road” has the meaning assigned to it in Section 2(1) of the Road Traffic Act, 1993,

“release fee” means the fee, prescribed in these bye-laws, for the release of a vehicle that has been clamped by an Agent of the Council or any other Authorised Person,

“Resident” means a person who satisfies the Council that his/her normal residence is at premises situated in a street in a residential parking permit zone;

“temporary dwellings” means any tent, caravan, mobile home, vehicle or other structure or thing (whether on wheels or not) which is capable of being moved from one place to another (whether by towing, transport on a vehicle or trailer, or otherwise), and

- (a) is used for human habitation, either permanently or from time to time, or
- (b) was designated, constructed or adapted for such use.

“Ticket Parking Place” means a place on a public road or a car park where traffic sign or signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, No.RRM 016 and/or RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations of 1997 together with an accompanying information plate(s) indicates or indicate that parking of vehicles is subject to the exhibition of a Valid Pay and Display Parking Ticket.

“traffic warden” has the meaning assigned to it by Section 2 of the Local Authorities (Traffic Wardens) Act, 1975, as amended;

“valid coins” means, the coins indicated on the appropriate pay and display parking ticket machine,

“valid eTicket” means an electronic or physical receipt confirming payment for a parking period:-

- a) which has been registered, either
 - a. via a software program or set of software components designed for operation on mobile devices, including but not limited to smartphones, tablets, smartwatches, and other portable computing devices (an “app”), which has been designated by Galway City Council for use as official Galway City parking app; or
 - b. via a website provided by Galway City Council for purposes including the payment of appropriate fees; or
 - c. via such company as may be engaged by Galway City Council for the purposes of collecting and registering payments for parking in parking places); or
 - d. by way of calling Galway City Council’s designated parking phone number;

- e. or by any other means that may be provided by Galway City Council from time to time; and
- b) for which the motorist has confirmed the vehicle registration number of the parked vehicle in question; and
- c) for which the motorist has confirmed the location in which the vehicle is being parked; and
- d) for which the motorist has received confirmation of payment from the system; and
- e) where the motorist has registered that the vehicle is parked for a period not exceeding the permitted duration in a ticket parking place in accordance with these Bye-Laws; and
- f) for the duration of the time the vehicle remains parked in the ticket parking place during operational hours.

“valid disabled persons parking permit” means such a parking permit which has not expired,

“valid Flexible Stay Ticket” means an entitlement issued by or on behalf of Galway City Council permitting the parking of a specified vehicle in a specified car park for a fixed period of time, which—

- (a) has been purchased in such manner as may be provided by Galway City Council from time to time for that purpose;
- (b) records the correct vehicle registration number of the vehicle in respect of which the entitlement is purchased;
- (c) authorises that vehicle, during the period of validity, to be parked on any number of occasions in the carpark specified in the said Flexible Stay Ticket, provided that such vehicle is not parked in contravention of any other provision of these Bye-Laws; and
- (d) is valid only for the carpark specified at the time of purchase and is not valid for on-street parking or for any other carpark.

“valid Pay and Display Parking Ticket” means a pay and display parking ticket which was purchased at an appropriate pay and display parking ticket machine for the period of parking permitted and has not expired.

“valid Resident’s Parking Permit” means a resident’s parking permit which relates to a particular residential parking permit zone or zones and to a period which has not expired and which is issued by Galway City Council in whose functional area the vehicle on which the permit is displayed is parked;

“vehicle” means a private motor car, a station wagon or a passenger vehicle having accommodation for not more than seven passengers excluding the driver;

“visitor” means one who visits, calls on, or makes a stay with the resident or is engaged by the resident to carry out works on the dwelling;

“visitor parking permit” means a visitor-parking permit issued by the City Council, its agents or authorised officers only containing the particulars in Bye-Law No. 32.

A reference in these bye-laws to a traffic sign means a reference to a traffic sign prescribed in the Road Traffic (Signs) Regulations 1997 (S.I. No. 181 of 1997) and any number referred to in association with a traffic sign shall be the number allocated to such sign in such regulations.

A reference in these bye-laws to an information plate accompanying a traffic sign shall, unless otherwise specified, be to an information plate which shall indicate the period (which shall include the days and hours) when the allowance, restriction or prohibition indicated by such traffic sign applies.

- (a) In these bye-laws any reference to an article or a schedule, which is not otherwise identified, is a reference to an article of, or a schedule to these bye-laws.
- (b) In these bye-laws, any reference to a sub-article, paragraph, or sub-paragraph which is not otherwise identified, is a reference to the sub-article, paragraph or sub-paragraph of the provision in which the reference occurs.
- (c) In these bye-laws a reference to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as adapted by any subsequent enactment or instrument.
- (d) A reference in these bye-laws to the loading of goods shall be taken to include the supplying of fuel for the operation of the vehicle.

Repeals:

- 5 Subject to Bye-Law 43, the Galway City Council Pay and Display Street Parking Bye-Laws 2004, the Galway City Council Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment No.2) Bye-Laws 2008, the Galway City Council Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment) Bye-Laws 2009, Galway City Council Parking Control Bye Laws 2009 and Car Park Bye-Laws 2005 are hereby revoked (in so far as same may still be operative) and replaced by Galway City Council Parking Control Bye Laws 2025.

Part II

Pay and Display Ticket Parking.

Parking in Pay and Display ticket parking places	6	<p>The following provisions shall apply during operational hours to parking of a vehicle in a ticket parking place: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) subject to Bye-Law 12, a vehicle which is parked in a ticket parking place during operational hours shall, where parking bays are provided at that ticket parking place, be parked within the area comprising a parking bay;(b) a person shall not park or cause to be parked in a ticket parking place a vehicle in such a position that it, or any portion of it, extends from one parking bay to another;(c) a person shall not use a ticket parking place for any purpose other than parking a vehicle except with the prior written approval of a Director of Services of Galway City Council, and according to all terms as specified by the Director of Services.
Vehicles which may be parked in Pay & Display parking places	7	<p>Mechanically propelled vehicles only, of the following classes may be parked in a ticket parking place during operational hours:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) a passenger vehicle with passenger accommodation for not more than eight persons excluding the driver and not drawing a trailer or other vehicle,(b) a goods vehicle whose unladen weight does not exceed 3.5 tonnes and not drawing a trailer or other vehicle;
Obligation to display valid Pay and Display Parking Ticket	8	<p>Where a vehicle is parked in a ticket parking place on a day and during the hours specified on an information plate accompanying traffic sign or signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, No. RRM 016 and/or No. RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations:</p> <p>(1) (a) a valid pay and display parking ticket, parking permit, or disabled parking permit shall be displayed.</p> <p>(b) The valid pay and display parking ticket, parking permit, or disabled parking permit shall be so displayed in the interior of the vehicle in respect of which it is issued that it can be easily read from outside the vehicle,</p> <p>(c) The valid pay and display parking ticket, parking permit, or disabled parking permit shall be exhibited in accordance with paragraph (b) of this bye-law for so long as the vehicle is parked in that ticket parking place.</p>

- (d) Where a pay and display parking ticket has expired by over 30 minutes and not exceeding 1 hour, a vehicle may be clamped and a release fee as outlined in Appendix III of these Bye Laws will apply.
 - (e) Where a pay and display parking ticket has expired by over 1 hour, a vehicle may be clamped and a release fee as indicated in Appendix III of these Bye Laws will apply.
 - (f) Where no pay and display parking ticket is displayed, a vehicle may be clamped after 10 minutes and a release fee as indicated in Appendix III of these Bye Laws will apply.
 - (g) Where parking is prohibited, a vehicle may be clamped immediately and a release fee as indicated in Appendix III of these Bye Laws will apply.
- (2) Where a vehicle being parked in a ticket parking place on a day and during the hours specified on an information plate accompanying traffic signs or signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, No. RRM 016 and/or No. RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations is a goods vehicle being so parked solely for the loading and unloading of goods, paragraph (1) of this Bye-law shall not apply until after the expiration of 20 minutes from the time of the vehicle entering the parking place and the commencement of parking therein.
- (3) Where a vehicle which has been parked in a ticket parking place for a period less than the maximum parking period in accordance with Bye-law 9 of these Bye-laws for that ticket parking area is subsequently lawfully parked in another ticket parking area on the same day, it shall not be necessary, subject to compliance with paragraph 1(a), 1(b) and 1(c) of this bye-law, to purchase an additional pay and display parking ticket.
- (4) Bye-Law 8(1) shall not apply where the motorist has procured either:-
- (a) a valid eTicket, as defined in Bye-Law 4, for the period during which the vehicle is parked in the relevant ticket parking place, provided that the eTicket corresponds with the vehicle registration number of vehicle so parked and remains valid for the duration of such parking.
 - (b) a valid Flexible Stay Ticket, as defined in Bye-Law 4, in respect of the vehicle parked in the relevant carpark specified in the said ticket, provided that the ticket remains valid for the period of parking and that the vehicle is parked in

compliance with the conditions applicable to that ticket.

**Period of parking
in ticket parking
place**

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- (1) A vehicle parked in a ticket-parking place on a day and during the hours indicated on an information plate accompanying traffic sign or signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, No. RRM 016 and/or No. RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations shall not be so parked for longer than the period indicated as the maximum period for that ticket-parking place indicated on such information plate.
- (2) Where a vehicle which has been lawfully parked in a ticket parking place is subsequently lawfully parked in another ticket parking place the period to which the subsequent parking is restricted by paragraph (1) of this bye-law shall be reduced by a period equal to the period from the time indicated on the ticket to the time when the subsequent parking commenced.

**Removal of
vehicle from
ticket parking
place**

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- (1) A vehicle parked in a ticket parking place at a time outside the time specified for payment of parking on an information plate accompanying traffic signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, No. RRM 016 and/or No. RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations may be clamped or removed from the ticket parking place when a period of hours specified on such information plate commences, unless at such commencement and during the remainder of the period of parking, the motorist who parked the vehicle has either procured a valid eTicket or a valid pay and display parking ticket is exhibited in the interior of the vehicle in accordance with Bye Law 8(1)(b) and Bye Law 8(1)(c) of these Bye-Laws.
- (2) Any vehicle parked in a ticket parking place in contravention of any provision of these Bye-Laws may be clamped or towed away by the Council or its agents. Clamped vehicles will be released on payment of the appropriate fee. Vehicles towed away and removed to storage by the Council or its agents will be disposed of as detailed in Section 10(3).

(2A) Without prejudice to Bye-Law 10(2), where a vehicle is parked in contravention of these Bye-Laws, or of the Road Traffic Acts or the National Regulations, the Council or its agents may tow the vehicle from the place where it is parked and relocate it to another public place, where it may lawfully be parked, and the Council shall be entitled to recover from the registered owner of the vehicle the reasonable costs of such towing and relocation.

(2B) The Council may, in addition to or instead of relocation pursuant to Bye-Law 10(2A), remove a vehicle to storage in accordance with Bye-Law 10(2).

- (3) If ownership of a vehicle removed by the Council from the ticket parking place pursuant to Bye-Law No.10 (2) is not claimed, proved and the removal and storage charges paid within fourteen days of the date of the removal of the vehicle from the ticket parking place, the Council shall notify the owner of the vehicle (in so far as his/her identity can be ascertained) by post or a notice published in a local newspaper of its intention to dispose of the vehicle.
- (4) The Council shall dispose of a vehicle the subject of a Notice under Bye-Law No. 10(3) in whatever manner it considers appropriate and the proceeds of such disposal shall be retained by the Council for use in the discharge of any of its functions.

Prohibition on certain parking inside an hour of leaving ticket parking place	11	A vehicle, which had been parked in a ticket parking place, shall not be parked again in a ticket parking place in the public road in which that ticket parking place is situated until at least one hour after vehicle last vacated that ticket parking place.
Issue of Pay and Display Parking Tickets	12	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) A pay and display parking ticket shall be purchased from an appropriate pay and display parking ticket machine. (2) The fee for the pay and display parking ticket shall be payable by means of any combination of valid coins or by Debit or Credit Card. (3) Payment shall be made by inserting the appropriate fee for the parking time required into the appropriate parking ticket machine and following the instructions on the parking ticket machine in order to obtain a valid pay and display parking ticket. (4) The valid parking ticket shall be displayed immediately on parking provided that, where a vehicle is parked at a time not during operational hours, the valid parking ticket shall be displayed in accordance with bye-law 8 at the commencement of operational hours. (5) As an alternative to procuring a pay and display ticket, a motorist parking a vehicle in a ticket parking place may procure a valid eTicket or, where applicable, a valid Flexible Stay Ticket.
Fee for Pay and Display Parking Tickets	13	The fee for a pay and display parking ticket shall be as indicated in Appendix 1 of these Bye Laws and are shown on the appropriate parking ticket machine.
Conditions for parking in a ticket parking places	14	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) A vehicle which is parked in a ticket parking place on a day and during the hours indicated on an information plate accompanying traffic sign or signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, No. RRM 016 and/or No. RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations shall, where parking bays are provided at that ticket

parking place, be parked within the area comprising a parking bay.

- (2) A vehicle shall not be parked in a buffer area,
- (3) A ticket parking place may not be used for overnight accommodation purposes whether by camper van, caravan, van, car or otherwise,
- (4) Buses and coaches with a seating capacity in excess of eight passengers excluding the driver are prohibited from parking in a ticket parking place except where designated parking spaces are provided for such use and any appropriate fee paid.
- (5) A person shall not overhaul or carry out mechanical works or repairs to a vehicle whilst it is parked in a ticket parking place, save for where it is necessary in order to enable the vehicle to be removed from the ticket parking place,
- (6) A vehicle, while parked in a ticket parking place, shall not be used for the sale of goods in or from the vehicle or as an office; nor shall any such vehicle be offered or displayed for sale or for hire or as a prize. A person shall not make any unnecessary noise by means of, or in relation to, a vehicle while it is parked in a ticket parking place, or by means of any equipment, fitting or instruments fitted to or carried on the vehicle or any loud speaker or radio in anyway connected to the vehicle.
- (7) A vehicle shall not be parked in a carpark or any ticket parking place in a manner which causes or is likely in the opinion of a Traffic Warden or an authorised person to cause damage to persons using the carpark or ticket parking place or in the opinion of a Traffic Warden or an authorised person obstructs the entrance to or exit from a carpark or ticket parking place or the free flow of traffic within a carpark or ticket parking place and any such vehicle may be removed by the Council in accordance with Bye-Law 10 herein.
- (8) A vehicle shall not be driven within a carpark in excess of a speed of fifteen kilometres per hour.
- (9) A vehicle shall not be driven in a carpark contrary to the flow of traffic in the carpark indicated by ground or other markings or signs.

Prohibition on parking of Temporary dwellings

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- (a) A camper van, caravan, mobile home or vehicle otherwise used for accommodation purposes shall not be parked overnight in a public carpark within the administrative area of Galway City.

		(b)	The placing, erection or retention of a temporary dwelling on the roads prescribed in Appendix IV is prohibited.
Motorcycles and pedal cycles prohibited from parking in ticket parking places	16		A motorcycle or a pedal cycle shall not be parked on a day and during the hours specified on an information plate accompanying traffic sign or signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, RRM 016 and/or No. RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations.
Designated areas for motorcycles	17		Motorcycles, with or without a sidecar, may park in areas, which may be designated by the Council for this type of vehicle.
Suspension of Pay & Display machines or ticket parking places	18	(a)	The Council or its agents may suspend from operation a pay and display parking ticket machine or a ticket parking place in a ticket parking area. The suspension shall be subject to any conditions, which may be specified in writing by the Council.
		(b)	The suspension of a pay and display parking ticket machine or a ticket parking place shall be indicated by the placing thereon of a sign or other device clearly indicating that it is non-operational or by the temporary removal of the pay and display parking ticket machine and the erection of a sign indicating that the parking of vehicles is prohibited in the ticket parking place.
Interference	19	(a)	No person shall insert any coin, article, or object, other than a payment card or the coins specified for the purchase of a pay and display parking ticket, in a pay and display parking ticket machine, or interfere in any other way with a pay and display parking ticket machine in a ticket parking place.
		(b)	No person other than an agent of the Council, a Member of the Garda Siochana, an authorised person, or a Traffic Warden shall interfere in any way with a hood, sign or other device placed on a pay and display parking ticket machine in a ticket-parking place.
		(c)	Where a vehicle is parked in a ticket parking place on a day and during the hours specified on an information plate accompanying traffic sign or signs No. RRM 011, RRM 012, RRM 013, RRM 014, No. RRM 016 and/or No. RUS 018 authorised by the Signs Regulations a person shall not interfere with a Pay and Display parking ticket exhibited in the vehicle.
		(d)	A person shall not obstruct, disturb or interfere with an agent of the Council, authorised officer or Traffic Warden in the discharge of his/her duties or the execution of any work being carried out at the ticket parking place by the Council or its agents or aid or incite another person to do so.

Non-Compliance with Bye-Laws:	20	Any person in breach of these Bye-Laws shall be guilty of an offence and shall be subject to a fine as prescribed by the Road Traffic Acts and the Road Traffic Regulations.
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Part III

Parking Permit for Residents/Carers

Particulars of resident's parking permit	21	<p>A valid resident's parking permit shall consist of either (a) a physical permit issued by the Council or (b) a record in the Council's permit database and shall contain the following particulars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the words Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe/Galway City Council (b) the name and address of the resident to whom it is issued; (c) the make and registration number of the vehicle in respect of which it is issued; (d) the date of issue; (e) the residential parking permit area(s) to which it relates; (f) the period to which it relates, including the date of expiry; (g) the signature of the person issuing it;
Permission to park a vehicle displaying a valid parking permit	22	The display, in accordance with Bye-law 23 of these Bye-laws of a valid parking permit on the vehicle in respect of which the permit was issued, or the registration of a vehicle in the Council's permit database shall permit the owner of the vehicle (or any person using it with his/her consent) to park it without limitation as to time in a ticket parking place in the residential parking permit area(s) to which the permit relates.
Display of valid parking permit	23	Where a physical permit has been issued, a valid parking permit shall be so displayed in the interior of the vehicle in respect of which it is issued, in such a manner that the particulars specified thereon can be easily read from outside the vehicle. Where no physical permit has been issued, the parking of a vehicle shall be deemed to be in compliance with Part III of these Bye-Laws if the vehicle's registration number is recorded in the permit database and the vehicle is parked in accordance with the permit.
Interference with parking permit	24	Where a vehicle displaying a valid parking permit is parked in a residential parking permit area a person shall not interfere with the permit.
Issue of, and fee for resident's parking permit	25	<p>(1) A resident's parking permit shall be issued by the Council in respect of the parking of a vehicle in a ticket parking place in the residential parking permit area(s) within the functional area of the Council.</p>

- (2) The fee for a resident's parking permit shall be as indicated in Appendix II.
- (3) A resident's parking permit shall be issued by the Council in respect of one vehicle only of which the resident is the owner and shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issue in respect of that vehicle and for the residential parking permit area(s) to which the permit relates. The issue of the permit shall be subject to production of acceptable evidence by the resident.
- (4) The issue of permits shall be at the discretion of the Council and to these Bye-Laws but shall be subject to a maximum of four permits per house, one permit per apartment in the city centre residential and inner residential areas and two permits for apartments in established suburbs and outer suburbs as defined in the City Development Plan.
- (5)
 1. The Renewal of a parking permit shall be the sole responsibility of the holder of a parking permit.
 2. The residents' parking permit must be renewed within the renewal period, which ends 28 days after the expiry date of the existing permit. Where a permit is not renewed within the renewal period, the holder of an expired permit shall, on subsequent application for a resident's parking permit for that address, be considered as a first time applicant under these Bye-Laws and a permit shall not issue unless the applicant is eligible for a permit under these Bye-Laws at the time of the subsequent application.

Return and transfer of parking permit

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- (1) Where during the period to which a resident's parking permit relates, the resident to whom it is issued ceases to reside at the address specified on the permit or ceases to be an owner of the vehicle to which the permit relates, shall return it (if it is a physical permit) to the Council. A resident parking permit is non-transferable and any physical permit issued remains the property of the Council from the date of issue.
 - (2) Where during the period to which a resident's parking permit relates, the resident to whom it is issued replaces the vehicle to which the permit relates, shall return the permit (if a physical permit) to the Council which upon payment of the fee as indicated in Appendix II shall issue to the resident, subject to production of acceptable evidence in respect of the new vehicle, a new permit in respect of the vehicle, and such new permit shall be valid for the period specified.

Change of Address- issue of Resident's parking permit

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- If the holder of a resident's parking permit granted under these Bye-Laws changes address, either within a residential parking permit area or from one residential parking permit area to another, the Council or its agents

may, following surrender of the original permit (if a physical permit) and production of acceptable evidence, issue a resident's parking permit in respect of the new address, provided that the permit holder would otherwise qualify for a resident's permit at the new address under these Bye-Laws. A permit issued under this Bye-Law shall be valid for the remainder of the period specified in the original permit. If the original permit (if physical) is not surrendered, a fee as indicated in Appendix II shall apply to the issue of the new resident's parking permit. No financial adjustment, credit or refund shall be granted in respect of the difference in price between the categories of permit charges.

**Issue of and fee
for resident's
parking permit to
non-resident
family
member(s)/
nominated
person(s)/Carers**

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- (1) A resident's parking permit may be issued by the Council to a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s) or carer who act as voluntary carers for a resident in a ticket parking place and who requires on-going daily care for a chronic illness.
- (2) A parking permit shall be issued annually to a qualified resident subject to the submission of proof of residency, submission by a non-resident family member(s) or carer's vehicle insurance certificate and written confirmation from the resident's doctor that the resident requires ongoing daily care for a chronic illness
- (3) A non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/carer's parking permit shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of issue. A maximum of 2 permits may be issued to a qualifying Resident. The fee for the issue of a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/carer's parking permit(s) shall be as indicated in Appendix II of these Bye Laws.
- (4) A non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/carer's parking permit may be issued by the Council to a Resident who requires care in accordance with Bye-Law 28 (1) of these Bye-Laws and who resides at premises situated in a pay and display ticket parking place. The non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/carer's parking permit shall be issued in respect of the residential parking permit area(s) in which the normal place of residence of the person requiring care is situated and one other such adjacent zone, as the case may be.
- (5) A non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/carer's parking permit shall be used by the Council in respect of:

a motor car, a van, a passenger vehicle (having accommodation for not more than eight passengers excluding the driver).

Particulars on non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/Carers Parking Permit	29	<p>A non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/ Carers Parking Permit shall contain the following particulars:</p> <p>(1) the words Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe/Galway City Council</p> <p>(2) the residential parking permit area(s) to which it relates,</p> <p>(3) the date of issue,</p> <p>(4) the period to which it relates and date of expiry;</p> <p>(5) Carer's Permit Number,</p> <p>(6) the signature of the person issuing it.</p>
Return and transfer of a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/Carers Parking Permit	30	<p>Where, during the period to which a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/ Carers Parking Permit relates, the resident to whom it is issued ceases to reside at the address specified, he or she shall forthwith return the permit (if physical) to the Council. A non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/ Carers Parking Permit is non-transferable and any physical permit issued remains the property of the Council from the date of issue.</p>
Offence	31	<p>It shall be an offence for a resident to:</p> <p>(1) Sell or otherwise dispose of a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/Carer's Parking Permit.</p> <p>(2) Abuse of a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/Carer's Parking Permit shall result in the cancellation and or withdrawal of the Parking Permit.</p> <p>(3) To display a void or expired Parking Permit.</p>

Part IV

Visitors Parking Permits

Particulars on visitor parking permit:	32	<p>A visitor-parking permit shall contain the following particulars:</p> <p>(1) the words Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe/Galway City Council; and</p> <p>(2) the words 'visitor parking permit',</p> <p>(3) the residential parking permit area(s) to which it relates;</p> <p>(4) indicates the year, month, day and hour of the commencement of a period of the parking of the vehicle.</p>
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Issue of and fee for resident's parking permits for visitors	<p>33.</p> <p>(1) Visitor's parking permits may be issued by the Council to a resident in a ticket parking place, subject to production of acceptable evidence, in respect of the parking of vehicles which require to be parked temporarily and is ancillary to the use of the applicant's dwelling.</p> <p>(2) Visitor's parking permits issued under this Bye-Law shall only be valid for use in the ticket parking place to which the resident's parking permit relates.</p> <p>(3) Visitors parking permits issued under this Bye-Law shall permit the vehicle to be parked for a period not in excess of 24 hours from commencement of parking in the residential parking permit area(s) to which the resident's parking permit relates.</p> <p>(4) The total number of parking permits for visitors which may be issued to each resident or applicant in accordance with paragraph (1) and (2) of this Bye-Law is 52 in any 12-month period subject to an overall limit of 104 permits per housing unit.</p> <p>(5) The fee for each visitor's parking permit shall be as indicated in Appendix II of these Bye Laws.</p>
Display of valid visitor parking permit:	<p>34 The display, in accordance with Bye-Law 23, of a valid visitor parking permit on a vehicle, shall permit the owner of the vehicle (or any person using it with his/her consent) to park it continuously on the date indicated on the displayed visitor parking permit in the residential parking permit area(s) on a public road to which it relates, provided the parking permit -</p> <p>(a) has been issued in respect of the residential parking permit area(s) in which the vehicle is parked and</p> <p>(b) the separate panels on the parking permit are scratched as appropriate at the commencement of the parking indicating clearly the year, month, day in the month, and, where applicable, hour of the day and (to the nearest following five-minute period) minute of the hour when the parking commences;</p>
Disposal of visitors parking permit	<p>35 It shall be an offence for a resident to sell or otherwise dispose of a visitors permit to a person other than a visitor as defined in these Bye-Laws.</p>
Continued entitlement to parking permits issued under previous bye-laws:	<p>36 A resident, who holds a parking permit on the date that these Bye-Laws came into operation, which was issued in accordance with the provisions of Bye-Laws which have since been amended, shall, notwithstanding the provisions of these Bye-Laws, be permitted to continue to renew his/her parking permit in respect of the same address, subject to the provisions of Bye Law 25(3) and the submission of the appropriate acceptable evidence and payment of the appropriate fee. The permit must be renewed within the renewal period ending 28 days from the expiry date of the existing permit as specified in Bye-Law 25(5). Each resident who qualifies under this Bye-Law shall also be entitled to continue to apply for visitors'</p>

parking permits, a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/ carer's permit, where eligible.

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| Falsified documents: | 37 | Where a resident or applicant submits falsified documentation to support his/her application for a resident's, a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/ carer's parking permit or for a visitors parking permit/permits the Council may, at its absolute discretion, decide not to issue and/or to cancel a resident's, a non-resident family member(s)/nominated person(s)/carer's parking permit or a visitor parking permit/permits to that applicant/resident. |
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Part V

Permission for Non-Operation of Parking Ticket Machine(s) And/Or Pay Parking Places(s)

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| Application: | 38 | <p>Application for permission for the non-operation of a parking ticket machine(s) or a pay parking place(s) must be made in writing for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) placement of a skip; (b) placement of a cherry picker/hoist; (c) placement of a crane; (d) placement of vehicle over 3.5 tonnes; (e) filming purposes and/or associated vehicles; (f) utilities works and/or vehicles; (g) opening of access to the public road; and (h) any other circumstances at the discretion of the Transportation Department of Galway City Council. |
| Conditions of permission | 39 | The permission, if granted, shall be subject to any conditions which will be specified in writing by the Council, including the payment of a fee/fees by the person requesting the permission. |
| Appropriate fees: | 40 | The appropriate fees payable for permission shall be as agreed in the particular circumstances. |
| Issue of permission | 41 | The permission, if granted, will issue in writing together with notification to the appropriate enforcement agency of the details of the permission. |
| Breach of conditions | 42 | It shall be an offence to breach a condition specified in writing in the permission. |

Part VI

Miscellaneous

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| Non-application of bye-laws 6-17 these bye-laws to certain vehicles | 43 | <p>Articles 6-17 of these Bye-laws shall not apply to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a vehicle being used in connection with the removal of an obstruction to traffic, the immobilisation and release of vehicles, the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of a public road, the provision, alteration or repair of a main drain, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, oil, water or electricity or |
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of a telegraph, telephone or communications line or conduit or the provision of a traffic sign;

- (b) a fire brigade vehicle, an ambulance or a vehicle being used by a member of the Garda Síochána or a Traffic Warden or other authorised person in the performance of his/her duties.
- (c) a vehicle in the interior of which is displayed a disabled person's parking permit issued pursuant to or recognised under the National Parking Regulations;

Disclaimer

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In accordance with Section 36(13) of the Road Traffic Act, 1994, the performance by the Council or its agents of their functions under these Bye-Laws shall not render the Council subject to any liability in respect of loss of or damage to any vehicle in a pay parking place or the contents of such vehicle.

Continuity of repealed Bye-Laws and transitional provisions:

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- (a) Nothing in Bye-Law 5 shall affect the validity of anything done under the Pay and Display Street Parking Bye-Laws 2004, the Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment No.2) Bye-Laws 2008, the Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment) Bye-Laws 2009, Galway City Council Parking Control Bye Laws 2009 and Car Park Bye-Laws 2005. Any actions taken under the said Bye-Laws or any other thing done shall not be invalidated by any repeal of the said Bye-Laws but shall, if in force immediately before the said repeal was effected, have effect as if made or done under the Pay and Display Street Parking Bye-Laws 2004, the Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment No.2) Bye-Laws 2008, the Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment) Bye-Laws 2009, Galway City Council Parking Control Bye Laws 2009 and Car Park Bye-Laws 2005 unless otherwise provided;
- (b) The continuity of the operation of the law relating to matters provided for in the repealed Pay and Display Street Parking Bye-Laws 2004, the Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment No.2) Bye-Laws 2008, the Pay and Display Street Parking (Amendment) Bye-Laws 2009, Galway City Council Parking Control Bye Laws 2009 and Car Park Bye-Laws 2005 shall not be affected by the substitution of these Bye-Laws for the said 2004,2005,2008 and 2009 Bye-Laws and –
 - (i) so much of any other Bye-Law, act or document as refers, whether expressly or by implication, to, or to things done or falling to be done under or for the purposes of, any provision of these Bye-Laws, shall, if and so far as the nature of the subject matter of the other Bye-Law, act or document permits, be construed as including, in relation to the times, years or periods, circumstances or purposes in relation to which the corresponding provision in the repealed 2004, 2005, 2008 and 2009 Bye-Laws has or had effect, a reference to, or, as the case may be,

things done or falling to be done under or for the purposes of, that corresponding provision;

- (ii) so much of any other Bye-Law, act or document (whether repealed, passed or made after the commencement of these Bye-Laws) as refers, whether expressly or by implication, to, or to things done or falling to be done under or for the purposes of, any provision of these Bye Laws, shall, if and so far as the nature of the subject matter of the other Bye-Law, act or document permits, be construed as including, in relation to the times, years or periods, circumstances or purposes in relation to which the corresponding provision in the repealed 2004, 2005, 2008 and 2009 Bye-Laws has or had effect, a reference to, or, as the case may be, things done or falling to be done under or for the purposes of, that corresponding provision.

Electric Vehicle 46
Bays

- (a) Non-Electric Vehicles may not be parked, for any duration, in Electric vehicle parking bays.
- (b) Electric vehicle parking bays may only be accessed by electric vehicles for the purposes of charging their vehicles at the re-charging points supplied at the particular parking bay and further, such vehicles are only permitted to remain in the applicable electric vehicle parking bay while the electric vehicle is actively charging. Part II of these Bye Laws shall not apply to electric vehicles while charging at electric vehicle parking bays which are under the management of Galway City Council. For the avoidance of doubt, Part II of these Bye Laws shall apply to electric vehicles while charging at electric vehicle parking bays which are managed by entities other than Galway City Council.

**Made and adopted under the Common Seal
of Galway City Council this**

8th day of December 2025

**Present when the Common Seal of
Galway City Council was affixed hereto.**



**Nominated Signatory
Of Galway City Council**

SEO, CORPORATE SERVICES

Appendix I

Parking Ticket / eTicket Fees

Appropriate Fees are applicable on a pro-rata basis for any period of parking up to the maximum period allowed in the Parking Place, subject to Bye-Law 9 (3).

On-Street Parking:

8.30am-6.30pm	Mon-Sat Inc.
15 Mins - Min Charge	€0.65
30 Minutes	€1.25
1 Hour	€2.50
1 Hour and 30 Minutes	€3.75
2 Hours – Max Stay	€5.00

Off-Street Long-Term Car Parks

(Dyke Road, College Road & Cathedral Car Parks):

8.30am-6.30pm	Mon-Sat Inc.
Daily Rate	€10.00
Monthly Rate	€100.00

Off-Street Short-Term Car Park

(Bowling Green & Mill Street Car Parks):

8.30am-6.30pm	Mon-Sat Inc.
15 Minutes – Minimum Charge	€0.65
30 Minutes	€1.25
1 Hour	€2.50
1 Hour & 30 Minutes	€3.75
2 Hours	€5.00
2 Hours & 30 Minutes	€6.25
3 Hours	€7.50
3 Hours & 30 Minutes	€8.75
4 Hours	€10.00
4 Hours & 30 Minutes	€11.25
5 Hours	€12.50
5 Hours & 30 Minutes	€13.75
6 Hours	€15.00
6 Hours and 30 Minutes	€16.25
7 Hours	€17.50
7 Hours and 30 Minutes	€18.25
8 Hours	€20.00
8 Hours and 30 Minutes	€21.75
9 Hours	€22.50
9 Hours and 30 Minutes	€23.25
All Day Parking	€25.00

These tariffs may be reviewed and increased or decreased by resolution of the Council Members.

Appendix II

Parking Permits

1. Residential Parking Permits

€30.00 per permit per annum

2. Visitors Parking Permits

€2.50 per permit – issued in blocks of 4 at a fee of €10.00.

3. Carers' Parking Permits

€10.00 per qualifying resident annually for 2 permits.

Fees may be revised annually by way of Executive Order

Appendix III

Clamp Release Fees

1	Where a pay and display parking ticket has expired by over 30 minutes and not exceeding 1 hour (at the time of clamping)	€20.00
2	Where a pay and display parking ticket has expired by over 1 hour (at the time of clamping)	€80.00
3	Where no pay and display parking ticket is displayed	€80.00
4	Where no parking is allowed	€80.00

Fees may be revised annually by way of Executive Order

Appendix IV

Prohibition on Parking of Temporary Dwellings -

Prescribed Roads:

1.	R336 – On Seapoint Promenade from its junction with Grattan Road to D’Arcy Roundabout
2.	R336 – On Salthill Road Upper from D’Arcy Roundabout to a point 100m. west of its junction with Threadneedle Road (R338)
3.	LT50187 – On Quincentennial Drive from its two junctions with Seapoint Promenade (R336) to junction at rear of National Aquarium to a point 163 metres northeast of this junction.
4.	LS05015 – On Rockbarton Road from its junction with Salthill Road Upper (R336) to its junction with Revagh Road (LT 50152).
5.	LP01002, LP01010, LP01011, LP01012 & LP01013 – On Western Distributor Road from its junction with Bishop O’Donnell Road (R338) at Deane Roundabout to its junction with Cappagh Road Roundabout (LS05004).

Prescribed Roads may be reviewed and amended by resolution of the Council Members.