

Multi-Ticket Matt

Multi-ticket Matt hung his parking tag from his mirror, but it keeps falling off, blowing off, or gets bumped off and lands on the floor. Matt doesn't notice when this happens, especially since the tag is quickly covered by pop cans and McDonald's bags. One day, he comes out and finds a \$35 failure to register ticket on his windshield. "No problem," he thinks. "I'm registered, so this ticket won't count." A couple days later, he finds another one, and then another one, and another.

Later, Matt realized what he should have done differently. First, he shouldn't have ignored the tickets, letting them pile up. Even though each \$35 failure to register ticket would be reduced to a \$5 improper display ticket, the lower fine still applies.

Also, Matt realized that he needs to find a way to keep the tag on his mirror. A piece of tape over the opening did the trick, and could be easily removed whenever he needed to switch the tag to another registered car.



Carla Canthangitup

Carla Canthangitup drives a Mercedes which has a mirror directly attached to the roof of the car. There is no way to hang the parking permit from the mirror. She has tried to tape it to the windshield, but when the car is very hot or the windshield is damp from condensation, the tape comes loose and the tag falls to the floor. She tries placing it on the dashboard, but it sometimes slides off. Carla may or may not notice that the tag is not there when she parks at school. She has received a number of \$35 failure to register tickets, and feels this isn't fair since she can't hang her tag.

Carla needs to find a way to be sure her tag is always displayed where security officers can see it and know the car is registered. She decides to ask Officer Martien for help figuring out what to do to be sure her tag is seen. They help her find a way of displaying her tag that will work for her car.

If the tag is not visible in a registered car, the ticket will be reduced to a \$5 improper display fine, but will not be voided. It is important that Carla find a way to be sure her tag can be seen. Every time she parks at FHS.

Save Your Money When You Park Your Car at FHS



OK, you've signed your contract and may never look at it again. But you are still responsible to know and understand what you signed. Here are a few common situations that may occur. It is important that you know what to do in these situations in order to avoid fines. If you'll take a few minutes to look over these five situations to be sure you understand them, you can save yourself some headaches...and money...later on.

Lotsacars Larry

Lotsacars Larry is registered for a parking pass. His family has several cars, but he registered only the one car he usually drives. One day, his car has a flat tire and his mom lets him drive her car, which is not registered. He leaves his tag in his own car. He comes out to the car at the end of the day to find a \$35 failure to register ticket on his windshield. This would be the correct fine in this case. Even though Larry purchased a parking tag and registered his own car, his mom's car is still not registered.



Larry finds out what he should have done. He should have moved his tag to his mom's car, and brought the registration and proof of insurance for his mom's car to the main office first thing in the morning to register her vehicle. A temporary tag would be issued for that day only, and must be returned by the next morning along with any ticket received that day to void. If Larry waits for a few days before he returns the temporary pass and the ticket to the main office, the ticket can no longer be voided.

If Larry does not bring in the paperwork for his mom's car to complete the registration process, and he gets a failure to register ticket, the full \$35 fine will stand.

Larry makes a mental note to himself. "Next year, I'll register both cars at the time when I buy my parking permit. That way, all I'll need to do is move the tag."

Forgetful Flora

Forgetful Flora registered two cars when she bought her parking pass. One day, she drove the BMW to school but left her parking tag in the Mustang. When the security officer is writing tickets, he doesn't see a tag and writes a failure to register ticket. Since the BMW actually is registered, the ticket will be reduced to a \$5 improper display.

Later, when she goes to pay the ticket, she finds out what she should have done. She should have come into the office first thing in the morning to get a temporary tag (good for one day only). Then she can avoid the fine. If she received a parking ticket before she got the temporary tag on the car, she would need to return the temporary tag and the ticket to the main office by the next morning to void.

If Flora forgets, to return the temporary tag and ticket until two days later, the \$5 fine will stand. In any case, whether or not Flora receives a ticket, the temporary pass must be returned the next morning.



Pull-thru Paula

Pullthru Paula keeps getting ticketed for pull-thru parking and she is not sure what that means. All she is doing is pulling into a parking space and driving forward into the one ahead so when she leaves, she doesn't have to back out of her parking space. Sounds sensible to her.

However, neither pull-thru parking nor back-in parking is permitted at FHS. Either type of parking looks as if Paula has backed into her parking space, she may receive a ticket for improper parking. This ticket will not be voided. Sorry Paula. Please be sure to pull-in park next time.