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Parking Management - Frequently Asked Questions

The Nichols College Public Safety Department utilizes the RYDIN Parking Management System. “Rydin” can be found through the student’s “One Login” Account or by searching on the Nichols College HUB <https://hub.nichols.edu/>. On the HUB, search for “Departments” – “Public Safety” – “Student Parking Decal”. If you have further questions, please contact parking@nichols.edu or 508-213-2298.

1. Am I required to have a parking decal? Yes

Parking decals are required of all students who will have a vehicle on campus. The fees for the 2025-2026 year are \$340 for Commuter and \$405 for Resident students. Fees are assessed to the student’s college account in two installments, before the Fall and Spring Semesters.

2. How do I apply for my decal? The Rydin Parking Management System can be accessed through the student’s Nichols “One Login” Account or via the Nichols College HUB. Once in the system, the students must complete all applicable fields, including driver and vehicle information. Once that is finished, the student can follow the instructions and order the appropriate permit. (A brief tutorial help video is available on the main page to provide an overview of the process). Once the order is complete, the student will receive a confirmation email. When the order is processed by our Administrative Staff, the student will receive another email with instructions on how or when to pick up their decal. For incoming Freshmen or first-time students, these may be delivered upon registration at move in. For returning students who have completed the process in advance, they should be available at move in / registration. Otherwise, they will be available for pickup at the Public Safety Office.

3. Can I pay for my Decal with a Credit or Debit Card? All decal fees are assessed to the Student’s Nichols College Account through Student Financial Services. No payment is required at the time of decal registration. Payments may be made through the Financial

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Services Department at any time. For more information on payments and billing, please contact SFS@nichols.edu or 508-213-2228.

4. **If I purchase a parking decal and need a replacement – What is the process and is there a fee?** Yes. In the event your vehicle is sold, damaged, or if for any other reason you will be using an alternate vehicle during the year, you will need a replacement decal. These can be obtained through the Public Safety Office in the lower level of Daniels Auditorium Monday – Friday 8 am to 4 pm. Temporary passes can also be obtained 24/7 at the office. There is No fee for a replacement decal.

5. **How and why do I obtain a Temporary Pass for my vehicle?**

In the event you will be using an alternate vehicle for a brief period during the year (Example: In for repair, borrowing parent's vehicle for a short period, etc.), you will need to obtain a temporary parking pass. These can be obtained, free of charge, 24/7 at the Public Safety Office. Bring along the following information: Student name (along with college ID and phone numbers), Owner's Information (Name, Address, and telephone), All vehicle information found on the Registration, as well as the start and end dates requested. The parking lot will be assigned by Public Safety Personnel at the time of completion. This pass is to be displayed on the vehicle dashboard, in front of the steering wheel.

6. **When and how do I obtain a parking pass for a visitor?**

Visitors will be provided with a temporary parking pass in the same way as listed above. Stop by the Public Safety Office to obtain a temporary parking pass upon the visitor's arrival on campus. It is important to note that all guest students must also be properly registered with Resident and / or Student Life prior to arrival.



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7. Is parking restricted to certain lots? Yes.

Students will receive a decal which corresponds with their parking lot(s). In addition, the decal itself also lists the parking lots by letter. The parking lots signage are marked with colored squares to correspond with the appropriate decal colors. Some allowances are made on a temporary basis throughout the year (refer to Move My vehicle Section Below). Vehicles parked in unauthorized lots are subject to fine.

8. Will I be required to move my vehicle during the year. Yes

Parking on campus is limited and there are times during the year when it may become necessary for students to move their vehicles to an alternate parking location. This is done so to accommodate various campus activities. These may include such events as Homecoming Weekend, Move in / Move Out, or other college events. It may also include times where maintenance is required, such as for snow removal or lot repairs. Students will be notified, via college email and other available sources, when vehicles must be moved and what area to use. Please pay attention to these messages and your prompt attention and compliance is appreciated. Vehicles remaining in parking lots, without authorization, are subject to fine and removal at the owner's expense. We always wish to avoid this action, so your cooperation and assistance is greatly appreciated.

9. What are the parking fines, and can I appeal a ticket? If so, what is that process?

All students registering vehicles on campus will have access to The Nichols College Motor Vehicle Policy. It is also available for viewing on the Nichols College HUB under the Public Safety tab. Section 5 (V) lists campus parking violations and the corresponding fines. It also contains a variety of other information, and all students are encouraged to familiarize themselves with this policy. If a student is issued a parking violation, they may appeal it up to 15 days from the date of issue. (Section 9 (IX) Parking / Traffic Appeal Procedure). Appeals are now submitted electronically. Each violation contains a "QR" code which can be scanned for access to the parking management system. It can also be appealed using a violation number and by accessing



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the RYDIN Parkng system through the student's "One Login" account. If students experience any problems, they are encouraged to stop by The Public Safety Office or contact parking@nichols.edu . **Again, appeals must be requested within the 15 day period.**

Students who obtain four (4) Parking violations in one academic year (August 1st to July 31st) will be referred to the Office of Community Standards and could lose parking privileges. (Please refer to Nichols College Motor Vehicle Policy Section 6 (VI).

Parking on campus is a privilege, and all students are expected to follow all campus policies and regulations. Should anyone experience issues or require further information on parking or other campus safety procedures, please stop by or contact the Public Safety Office publicsafety@nichols.edu or 508-213-2298.

Nichols College Public Safety Officers are here to assist members of the campus community and their guests with any matters of concern. We wish to work with the students to address concerns promptly. The goal is to ease anxiety and foster a positive campus experience here at Nichols.