



# Home Park Resident Permit Parking Program

## Frequently asked questions about Home Park's "residents-only" parking program.

### **I've seen red & white street signs - What does "Restricted Parking Except HP Zone Permits" mean?**

Only residents of the marked streets in the HP Zone may park on the street between 7AM and 7PM. Residents must purchase a parking permit sticker or risk getting parking tickets.

**Why does Home Park want to restrict parking on our streets?** As you know, our streets are very narrow and many do not have off-street parking areas. It is very difficult for emergency and service vehicles to pass down some streets during the week - the garbage truck cannot even pick up on some of our streets because of parked cars. Many of our residents cannot be sure of having a place to park their cars if they leave during the day for doctor's appointments or grocery shopping. This is especially difficult for those who are elderly or have small children. Additionally, because we are so convenient to Tech, daytime commuters often park on our streets (in front of your house?) rather than purchase a permit for on-campus parking.

### **Which streets have restricted parking?**

Currently, the following streets are HP Zone parking:

- Atlantic Dr. between 10<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>
- State St. between 10<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>
- Home Park Ave. (all)
- Westshire Place (all)
- 11<sup>th</sup> St between State & Westshire
- Hunerkopf (all)
- Calhoun St. between State & McMillan
- Richards St. between State & Hirsch
- Lynch Ave. between Hirsch & McMillan
- Tumlin St. between 10<sup>th</sup> & Richards
- Hirsch St. between 10<sup>th</sup> & Richards
- Center St. between 10<sup>th</sup> & Calhoun
- Snyder Street between Ethel Street and Calhoun Street
- Holly St. between 14<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>
- Snyder St. between Ethel & Calhoun

**If your street is not listed above, you are not eligible to get a parking permit.**

### **Are other streets going to be added to the district?**

Other streets adjoining the current area may be added one block face at a time. Residents of these streets must obtain signatures of 50% of the property owners on petitions and then request through the City Council Utilities Committee and Department of Traffic and Transportation that they be included. Currently, Holly Street between 14<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Street has a petition pending with City Council. Contact [hpcia@yahoo.com](mailto:hpcia@yahoo.com) for more information about the process.

### **How do I get a permit sticker?**

Fill out an application form (available at <http://homepark.org/safety/parking-permits/PermitApplication.pdf>) and mail or take it with your check, a copy of your drivers' license, and proof of residence on an affected street to 68 Mitchell Street., Suite 4900 (city Dept. of Traffic & Transportation). We recommend taking it in person instead of mailing the application. Keep a copy for your records, or to put in your car window while you're waiting for your sticker.

### **How much do permits cost? When do they expire?**

Permits are \$20 each and are good for 1 year from date of issue.

### **What do I need to show that I live here?**

A copy of a utility bill, lease, deed, grade transcript, voter registration, etc. in your name can be used as proof of residency. You may photocopy it with private information covered (such as using a copy of your bank statement with the balance covered).

**I am from another state. Can I still get a parking permit?** You cannot get a permit without a Georgia driver's license. You do not have to have a Georgia tag on your car, but they do require the Georgia driver's license.

**How many parking permits may I get?**

Each HOUSE may get 2 permits. Each APARTMENT or duplex can receive 1 permit per legal unit (no matter how many bedrooms you have).

**Five of us share a house. Can we get 5 parking stickers?**

No, only 2 of your cars can use the stickers. If you have off-street parking, those with the nicest cars may want to claim the driveway, and others get the sticker permits for street parking.

**I live in the GA Tech Graduate/Family Living Center at 10th and Holly - Can I get a parking permit?**

Only residents with street addresses in the HP Zone can get a parking permit. The GT Graduate Living center no longer has a Holly Street address.

**I live at the corner of one of the restricted streets. Can I get a parking permit?**

Homes located on corners, such as at Calhoun and Tumlin, 10th at Atlantic, or 10th at Tumlin may be included by special permission. e-mail us at [hpcia@yahoo.com](mailto:hpcia@yahoo.com) for assistance and information.

**Do signs mark the streets in the HP Zone?**

Yes. If there is no sign on your street it is probably not included in the zone. Check the list above to be safe - street signs are often "liberated" by vandals in our neighborhood.

**Can I park to pick up a pizza?**

Yes, 2-hour commercial parking is allowed up to 100 feet from 14th Street or 10th Street, which includes the pizza places, chiropractic offices, funeral home and other businesses.

**I'm having my house re-roofed. Is my roofer going to get a ticket?**

The Atlanta Police Department uses common sense regarding tickets. Any person parked while on legitimate business (contractors, deliveries, etc.) in a recognizable commercial vehicle (like a pickup with ladders on a rack, or with a business sign painted on the side) is unlikely to get a ticket.

**Who came up with this idea?**

The Home Park Community Improvement Association (HPCIA) is an organization for residents and businesses in the Home Park neighbors. Roughly 1/3 of our residents are members of HPCIA. Any resident (owner or renter) or business is welcome to join HPCIA.

**How was this program developed?**

Way back in the mid-70's Home Park began having serious problems with parking in the neighborhood. A program was devised to deal with it, but for some reason Home Park did not try to enact it at that time. However, Ansley Park used the idea and successfully restricted parking on their streets. In 1987 the City Council passed a zoning restriction designating Home Park as a Special Public Interest zone (Atlanta City Code 16-18H.0001) SPI-8 requiring all new construction or major renovation to include an off-street parking space for each bedroom. In 1995, anticipating a flood of visitors for the Olympics, Home Park residents enacted a temporary program of requiring residents to purchase parking stickers to allow on-street parking. We were advised at that time that we could make a similar program permanent by obtaining signatures of 75% of property owners on affected blocks and petitioning the City Council, through the Utilities and Streets Committee, to enact this restriction. This was done and passed administratively on November 2, 1997, creating a Zone HP for Home Park residents. The same ordinance is used as for Ansley Park and other intown neighborhoods; streets are added on as residents. An amendment was passed in October 1998 adding more streets to the original zone.

For additional information about our parking program, or if you need assistance getting a permit, please contact [hpcia@yahoo.com](mailto:hpcia@yahoo.com).