Vanderbilt University Department of Public Safety
Parking and Transportation Services

Virtual Permits
Keeping with sustainability we will no longer issue a physical permit. We are using license plate recognition systems (LPR) in the department. This will allow us to provide in the future new ways to park on campus. This is just one of the first steps in the process of providing better service to the community.

What you will have to do when registering and purchasing parking on campus. The best thing you can do is make sure your Vehicle License Plate is accurate.

This is the most common and preventable error found using LPR. When entering your plate information do not use spaces or hyphens. Zeros should be used in place of O’s. Example should be entered as C76000.

It is required that when parking your vehicle you have your license plate readable from the drive lane. This allows the LPR system to read the plates of the vehicle on both side of the drive lane. The requirement to pull into the space is part of the parking regulations. Please assist us with this process.

Operating Hours
VUPS Parking and Transportation Services is open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday. The tow lot hours are the same as Parking Service hours. You may retrieve your vehicles only during these hours.

Security
Vanderbilt University provides many services to assist in your security on campus. There are many programs available such as: SafeVU app, Vandy Van, RADS, walking escort and many more all designed for your safety. For further information about crime prevention go to http://police.vanderbilt.edu/staff_student/crimeprevention.php/

The Vanderbilt Police Department recommend that individuals parking on campus take appropriate security precautions. Please remember to lock your car and avoid leaving valuables in view.

Alternative Transportation
The are a wide variety of methods to move around campus and Nashville. There are CarShare programs, bike rental, Vandy Van safety program, RTA and NMTA ride to work programs. There is even a website to join ride share program. All of these options are available on: http://www.vanderbilt.edu/traffic_parking/alternative-transportation.php

Reserved Instructions
If you have purchased a reserved space, please review The Reserved Parking Instruction Sheet.