

Policies and Procedures

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Title: Reserved Visitors Car Park Procedure

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1.0 Purpose

The NUI Galway Reserved Visitors Car Park procedure informs and advises all university staff and visitors

2.0 Description

The Reserved Car Park is located at the south end of the campus close to the Quadrangle and College Park. Vehicular access can be gained from the University road entrance to campus only. The number of spaces available are 14 with the capacity to expand to 28 spaces in order to facilitate high profile occasions.

3.0 Definitions

The car park is reserved for the use of important visitors who can be categorised as follows:

- Members of the HEA
- Members of the Governing body
- Invited CEO's or Presidents of partnered organisations
- Guests of the university who are making a tangible donation of significant benefit to the university.
- Guests of the president.
- Guests of vice presidents.
- IUA officer groups.
- Individual representation on behalf of a guest can be made directly to the Parking Office.

Guests and visitors who do not meet the criteria above are facilitated with Pay & Display/Pay by Phone spaces which are located throughout the campus and delineated with blue lines and local signage. The Pay by Phone technology can also be used by University staff who wish to cover the costs of their guests stay on campus.

4.0 Operation of the Reserved Car Park.

4.1 Application to use the Reserved Car Park

All requests must be made at least 24 hours in advance of arrival and can be sent by e mail to the Parking Office at parking@nuigalway.ie. Whereupon approval is granted for use of the Reserved Car Park the requestor will detail their guest's vehicle registration number to the parking office who will in turn enter the registration on the system.

4.2 Accessing the car park.

The system operates on vehicle recognition technology and when approved vehicles approach the vehicle barrier (Figure 1) at the car park a camera will scan the vehicle registration and the barrier will lift automatically to permit access. In the unusual scenario that access isn't facilitated automatically the driver can contact security using the intercom (Figure 2) beside the control unit by pressing the call button. The Parking Office can be contacted directly on 091 495063 and the Security Office on 091 492198.

Exit from car park

Exit from the car park is facilitated automatically when a vehicle drives over the induction loop which is ingrained in the car park surface. The barrier will remain erect until the vehicle goes through the induction loop and fully exits the car park.



Figure 1



Figure 2 Intercom