



# Building Circular

Department of Defense/Washington Headquarters Services

**Number:** WHS-21-15    **Date:** August 5, 2021    **Expiration Date:** August 31, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Health Protection Condition Bravo (HPCON B) Commuter Parking Plan Procedures

The purpose of this building circular is to inform all Pentagon, Mark Center and Suffolk building occupants of the parking plan, alternate commuting modes and Mass Transportation Benefits Program (MTBP) claims exemption, with the declaration of HPCON B, Monday, August 2, 2021. **This circular supersedes circular WHS-21-13 Health Protection Condition Alpha (HPCON A) Commuter Parking Plan Procedures, dated July 13, 2021 which is rescinded. This circular may be extended based on COVID 19 conditions on August 31, 2021.**

## Parking

1. Current COVID-19 parking permits have been extended for 30 days until August 31, 2021. This will be updated based on HPCON status.
2. Customers may continue to utilize the Mark Center North Parking Garage to support the Pentagon overflow.
3. The issuance of COVID 19 parking clearances will continue.
4. Expectant Mothers will continue to be supported with eight parking spaces w/in South Secure handicap.
5. All permit holders should park in designated areas as displayed on their permits.
6. Customers with COVID-19 temporary parking clearances should park in designated areas as stated in their clearance.
7. General parking (SA/SC & NC) at the Pentagon, as well as parking at Mark Center and Suffolk Building, are "first come first served" for individuals with a COVID-19 Temporary Parking Clearance.
8. No overnight parking in SA, SC, NC, NA, Car/Van pool and Executive clearance parking spaces during all phases of COVID-19.
9. Non Press permit holders and COVID 19 Temporary Clearances are not authorized to park in the Press designated spaces.

## Transportation

Most DoD Shuttles are operating regular and/or reduced services. All Mark Center shuttles, Metrobus 7M (Pentagon-Mark Center), Mark Center-Franconia/Springfield and DASH AT2X (Mark Center-King Street Metro) are operating on a regular schedule. Plans are in place to restore full DoD Shuttle service based on demand and ridership.

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Regional transit providers continue to increase transit services as the region reopens. The following are the major updates:

1. Metrorail adds more frequent all day service to include peak/late night hours in September.
2. Metrobus currently provides 85% of pre-pandemic bus services. Metrobus will increase service frequencies on 36 lines (some to the Pentagon) and will restore 46 bus routes in September.
3. Loudoun County will increase service in September.
4. DASH (Alexandria) will introduce additional services in September.
5. OmniRide (Woodbridge) removed seat restrictions and restored Mark Center Route with modified stops for Dale City and Lake Ridge.

Slug stations on the Pentagon Reservation are open and operational. The slug stations at the Pork Chop parking lot in South Parking have been recently realigned to facilitate better traffic flow. As a reminder, slugging is not a government managed program. The slug station facilities are established to provide pick-up/drop-off locations only for Pentagon employees and regional commuters.

Please visit the transportation provider websites for the most current information. For transportation questions to include DoD shuttle operating status, please visit the Local Travel section at <https://www.whs.mil/COVID-19> or contact the WHS Transportation Management Program Office at [whs.pentagon.fsd.mbx.dod-shuttle-bus@mail.mil](mailto:whs.pentagon.fsd.mbx.dod-shuttle-bus@mail.mil).

#### Mass Transportation Benefit Program (MTBP)

Mass Transportation Benefits are available for Military and Civilian employees. Participants who submitted a claim will see benefits load as usual. Participants who did not submit a claim can request “Anytime Benefits” by contacting MTBP support at (571) 256-0962. This distribution exception works on SmarTrip® enabled transit (tap your card) such as Metro Rail and Bus, PRTC and County Buses.

New Applications are accepted anytime. Benefits cover actual mass transit costs up to \$270 per month. More information is available at: <https://www.whs.mil/MTBP> .

The Pentagon Force Protection Agency (PFPA) will enforce existing parking regulations with respect to **non-registered vehicles** at the Pentagon, Mark Center, and Suffolk Building. All vehicles must be registered prior to parking on the Pentagon Reservation, if not, the first violation will result in a warning. The second violation will result in the violator being identified and forwarded to his or her agency’s senior leaders for appropriate action. An elevated enforcement measure will occur if employees fail to comply with parking regulations as outlined in this building circular.

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For questions, please contact the Deputy Building Manager, Ms. Anabel Mulero at (703) 697-7351 or by email to [anabel.mulero.civ@mail.mil](mailto:anabel.mulero.civ@mail.mil).

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