

the driver must move the vehicle elsewhere.

Parking tickets are issued for parking infringements, the penalty ranging from 10 to 40 euros.

Stopping and parking are prohibited:

- on a motorway or a road for motor vehicles
- on a pavement, pedestrian crossing or cycle track or within five metres leading up to a crossing or cycle track
- at a road junction and within five metres of it
- before a road junction if continuous lines or lane selection signs or markings divide the carriageway into lanes
- within three metres of a continuous white or yellow line
- near a railway line or tramline if it is close enough to inconvenience the railway or tramway traffic
- if the vehicle would conceal a road sign or a signal which is part of the traffic light arrangements
- in an underpass or tunnel
- on the brow of a hill or a bend in the road
- at a paid parking place without paying.

Parking is further prohibited:

- on the access road or at the gateway to a building if it would hamper vehicular access to the property
- adjacent to another vehicle on the carriageway
- if it would prevent another vehicle from being driven away

- on the carriageway outside a built-up area if the road is shown with road signs to be a priority road
- outside the edge-markings of a parking space
- within thirty metres of a level crossing.



Parking restriction signs

Mondays to Fridays

8 – 17

Saturdays only

(8 – 13)

Sundays and holidays

8 – 14

Time limit

30 min

*Paid parking on Mon-Fri
9 a.m.-7 p.m.
(Sat 9 a.m.-6 p.m.)
applies to all except
holders of residential
parking permits.
Parking is for a
maximum of 1 hour.
At other times
parking is unlimited
and free of charge.*



*Paid parking on Mon-Fri
9 a.m.-7 p.m.
(Sat 9 a.m.-6p.m.)
applies to all.
Parking is for a
maximum of two hours.
The arrow points to the
direction of the ticket
machine.*



Use of parking discs

In some built-up areas parking is not permitted without a parking disc. The need for a parking disc is always displayed on a separate sign, which also indicates the maximum time allowed for parking. The parking disc is placed in the window of the vehicle and marked with the time of arrival.

It is not necessary to use a parking disc in a paid parking space. Paid parking spaces are indicated by a separate sign.

Parking discs are sold at car accessory stores and at service stations. A foreign parking disc is also valid in Finland if it has a blue background and is in line with European recommendations.

Obligatory use of parking disc



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Paid parking



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Disabled parking permits

The police are authorized to grant a parking permit for a severely disabled person or for the transport of a severely disabled person. If the vehicle parking permit incorporates an international disabled person's badge, the vehicle may be parked in an area where parking is otherwise prohibited by road signs, and in a paid parking space free of charge. The parking permit must be displayed prominently inside the windscreen for the duration of the parking.

Winter driving

Adapt your driving to winter conditions

Winter conditions require a different kind of driving. Your vehicle may leave the road if your speed is too high, you brake suddenly, you accelerate too rapidly or you do not turn the steering wheel smoothly. The general 80 km/h speed limit may be too high in poor weather conditions.

In slippery winter conditions, overtaking requires special care. Sudden changes of

direction or acceleration must be avoided. When overtaking, snow or ice that has accumulated in the middle of the road may lead to loss of control of the vehicle.

Watch out for black ice

Water freezing on the road surface in winter is not always visible when driving. Black ice can form especially in hollows and under bridges. Even studded tyres