

All commercial and private motor vehicles shall be operated in strict accordance with the rules prescribed in this section and the California Vehicle Code, 49 CFR 383 except in cases of emergency involving the protection of life and/or property.

**12.1. Commercial Passenger Vehicles (Ground Transportation)**

Commercial Passenger Vehicle access is a privilege granted by the General Manager and may be suspended or revoked at any time for just cause.

- 12.1.1.** All entities engaged in the transportation of persons by motor vehicle for compensation, all owners and operators of commercial passenger motor vehicles and vehicles for hire regulated by a federal, state and/or municipality, and drivers thereof, at Los Angeles International Airport shall operate in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations as stated. Please refer to the following link for the [LAX Ground Transportation Rules and Regulations](https://www.lawa.org/-/media/lawa-web/group-and--division/files/lawa-airport-operations/qt-rules-regulations.ashx?la=en&hash=7A49BF3BA3546EF8076D2A108F822A95715D70DF) or at <https://www.lawa.org/-/media/lawa-web/group-and--division/files/lawa-airport-operations/qt-rules-regulations.ashx?la=en&hash=7A49BF3BA3546EF8076D2A108F822A95715D70DF>

**NOTE:** Additional information regarding ground transportation licensing and permit services may be obtained at the following link: [Ground Transportation](https://www.lawa.org/en/groups-and-divisions/airport-operations/ground-transportation-permits) or at: <https://www.lawa.org/en/groups-and-divisions/airport-operations/ground-transportation-permits>

**12.2. Landside Driving Rules (Traffic Signs, Directions, Signals, and Markings)**

- 12.2.1.** All vehicles shall comply with any lawful order, signal, or direction by authorized personnel.
- 12.2.2.** Where traffic is controlled by traffic lights, signs, mechanical or electrical signals, or pavement markings, such lights, signs, signals, and markings shall be obeyed unless an authorized Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) representative directs otherwise.
- 12.2.3.** Although airport signs generally conform to the standards set by the California Vehicle Code, in addition, special LAWA signs may be posted to alert drivers to special conditions.
- 12.2.4.** Where conditions preclude the use of post-mounted traffic signs, road surface markings have the same validity. Special caution is therefore advised in case of poor road conditions.
- 12.2.5.** Authorization to Move Vehicles - Vehicle Impound
- a.** The General Manager or designee may move and store, or cause to be removed/impounded (at the owner's/operator's expense), any vehicle



which is disabled, abandoned, or illegally or improperly parked, creates a safety hazard, or interferes with airport operations.

- b. Any vehicle impounded shall be released to the owner or operator upon proper identification of the person claiming such vehicle and upon payment of the towing charge currently in effect plus accrued storage fees.

**NOTE:** The Airport shall not be liable for damage to any vehicle or loss of personal property resulting from removal.

**12.3. Central Terminal Area (CTA)**

**12.3.1. Painted Zones/Curbs**

- a. Red or Yellow Zone
  - 1) No private vehicle shall stop, wait, or park in the red or yellow zone.
- b. White Zone
  - 1) No vehicle shall stop, wait, or park in the white zone unless actively engaged in the immediate loading or unloading of passengers and/or baggage.
  - 2) No vehicle shall be left unattended in the white zone.
  - 3) All permitted/authorized government vehicles shall only park when operationally necessary.
  - 4) No deliveries of goods or equipment shall be allowed without prior approval from Landside Operations (310) 654-3094

**12.3.2. Traffic Lanes and Sidewalks**

- a. No scheduled/unscheduled traffic lane(s) or any portion of the sidewalk shall be closed without prior approval by Airport Police or Landside Operations (310) 654-3094.

**12.4. Parking Garages, Lots, and Areas**

**12.4.1. Reserved, Posted, or Restricted Parking Areas**

- a. Vehicles parked in any garage, parking lot, or other authorized parking area shall comply with all signs and markings.
- b. Vehicles shall not exceed 5 miles per hour in any garage, parking lot, or authorized parking area.

**12.4.2. Disabled Parking**

- a. Vehicles displaying either a distinguishing license plate or a placard, issued pursuant to Sections 5007 or 22511.5 of the California Vehicle



Code, may park in designated disabled parking sections as indicated by appropriate signs and/or markings. All others not displaying such license plate or placard shall be cited and/or towed at owner's expense.

- b. All vehicles displaying disability placards or license plates are subjected to the posted fee.
- c. All other violation(s) will be issued parking citation(s) to offenders pursuant to Section 22507.8 of the California Vehicle Code.

**12.4.3. Parking Space Use**

- a. A vehicle parked in any garage, parking lot, or other authorized parking area reserved for public, private, or employee use shall only occupy one space.
- b. Vehicles shall not park in any hash-marked areas.

**12.4.4. Electric Charging Station**

- a. Only electric vehicles shall park in the designated vehicle electric charging stations.

**12.4.5. Parking Lot Ticket**

- a. Vehicles entering any garage or lot shall pull a ticket to park.

**12.4.6. Motorcycles shall comply with the following:**

- a. Enter and exit around gate arms
- b. Not use a sidewalk
- c. Not take a ticket
- d. Not park in a space for a car
- e. Park at the ends of rows, corners, or other spaces provided they do not block access to parked or moving vehicles, disabled spaces, Smarte Carte machines, doors, elevators, paths, etc.

**NOTE:** Parking for motorcycles is free inside the CTA parking structures.

**12.4.7. Abandoned Vehicles**

- a. Vehicles shall be considered abandoned in any garage or parking lot after 30 consecutive days.
- b. Abandoned vehicles are subject to citation and/or impounding.

**12.4.8. Employee Parking**

- a. Visit the [LAX Employee Parking](https://flylax.com/lax-parking) site: <https://flylax.com/lax-parking>



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