

Parking Guidance from the American Planning Association

Parking Management Best Practices

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The typical automobile is parked 23 hours a day. Where and how can make a big difference to economic development, traffic reduction, smart growth, historic preservation, and many other planning efforts.

The parking management strategies described in this book will help planners increase parking facility efficiency and reduce parking demand. Parking management offers an alternative to traditional "predict and provide" parking planning, which has contributed to widespread auto dependency and urban sprawl. Instead of providing plentiful free parking, parking management provides optimal parking supply and pricing. Its benefits include support for transit-oriented development; reduced stormwater management costs, water pollution, and heat island effects; improved travel options for nondrivers; lower housing costs; and more livable communities.

For planners who need to establish more accurate and flexible parking standards, this book is a blueprint for developing an integrated parking plan. It explains how to determine parking supply and affect parking demand, as well as how to calculate parking facility costs. It also offers information about shared parking, parking maximums, financial incentives, tax reform, pricing methods, and other management techniques.

What types of locations benefit from parking management?

Places with perceived parking problems

Areas with rapidly expanding population, business activity, or traffic

Commercial districts and other places with compact land-use patterns

Urban areas in need of redevelopment and infill

Places with high levels of walking or public transit or places that want to encourage those modes

Districts where parking problems hinder economic development

Areas with high land values

Neighborhoods concerned with equity, including fairness to nondrivers

Places with environmental concerns

Unique landscapes or historic districts in need of preservation

High Cost of Free Parking

[Donald Shoup](#)

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Off-street parking requirements are devastating American cities. So says Donald Shoup in this no-holds-barred treatise on the way parking should be.

Free parking, Shoup argues, has contributed to auto dependence, rapid urban sprawl, extravagant energy use, and a host of other problems. Planners mandate free parking to alleviate congestion, but end up distorting transportation choices, debasing urban design, damaging the economy, and degrading the environment. Ubiquitous free parking helps explain why our cities sprawl on a scale fit more for cars than for people, and why American motor vehicles now consume one-eighth of the world's total oil production.

But it doesn't have to be this way. Shoup proposes new ways for cities to regulate parking, namely, charge fair market prices for curb parking, use the resulting revenue to pay for services in the neighborhoods that generate it, and remove zoning requirements for off-street parking. Such measures, according to the Yale-trained economist and UCLA planning professor, will make parking easier and driving less necessary.

Parking Cash Out (PAS 532)

[Donald Shoup](#)

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Free parking is the most common fringe benefit offered to workers in the U.S. Is it any wonder, then, that 91 percent of them drive to work—or that most of them drive solo? The cost of this parking subsidy is about 1 percent of the gross national product and four times the amount of funding for public transit. This report, a complement to Shoup's *The High Cost of Free Parking*, shows how employers who offer their employees the option to cash out their parking subsidies can discourage solo driving and its attendant social, environmental, and infrastructure costs. It also suggests ways planners can bring this option to their communities.

Parking Generation, 3rd Edition

[Ransford McCourt](#)

Published by Institute of Transportation Engineers, 2004

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The long-awaited update to this comprehensive source of parking occupancy rates can help you estimate parking needs for 91 different land uses. Whether you need to estimate parking needs for an airport or a bowling alley, *Parking Generation* has data for ports and terminals; industrial and residential uses; lodging; recreational, institutional, and medical facilities; offices, retail, and services.

The third edition contains three times more data than the second edition, and that data is categorized by various factors that may affect parking demand. Such factors as the hour of observation, the peak hour of parking demand, area type, and priced parking add analytical depth to the data. Guidance on using the book and descriptions of the methodology behind the report are included.

Parking Standards (PAS 510/511)

[Michael Davidson](#), [Fay Dolnick](#)

Published by APA Planning Advisory Service, 2002

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This new report, an expanded and updated version of a previous best seller, contains not only an exhaustive set of parking standards, but also a section dealing with the complexities of creating practical parking standards in the present-day U.S. For instance, there is general agreement in recent planning literature that when the supply of parking greatly exceeds typical demand, the results are detrimental to a range of stakeholders. However, while benefits may accrue from minimizing the amount of off-street parking, downsizing parking requirements may be a tricky proposition because many communities fear detrimental impact on overall community development objectives. The commentary in this report addresses that quandary, as well as techniques such as shared parking, maximum parking standards, downtown parking standards, and more.

Effective Community Parking Standards

[APA Education](#), [Lincoln Institute of Land Policy](#)

Published by APA Education, 2001

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Can communities ever have enough parking? Can they have too much? This program examines the ever-vexing problem of how much parking is necessary for each type of business or use. Find out what a comprehensive parking plan contains. Learn how to conduct a parking analysis. Explore techniques that have worked in other communities, such as shared parking. Learn how to decide whether to charge for parking, and if so, how much. Plus, panelists address design issues that can lessen the visual impact of automobiles and parking on the community character. CPD: 2

Parking Handbook for Small Communities

[John Edwards](#)

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In town after town, adequate parking is the rallying cry to save the downtown. This book explains how to evaluate parking characteristics and operations to help you determine the role that parking improvements play in downtown revitalization efforts. It looks at how to assess parking supply and demand; craft parking regulations; develop and manage a parking system; and find funding for parking improvements.

Off-Street Parking Requirements (PAS 432)

A National Review of Standards

[David Bergman](#)

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Communities face growing citizen concern about parking and its effect on local transportation networks. But these concerns must be balanced against the serious cost implications of parking standards on development projects. APA surveyed 127 zoning ordinances to compile this comprehensive report on parking standards for nearly 180 different land uses, including airports, universities, post offices, shopping centers, and telecommunications facilities. Within each land-use category, standards range from those that require the least amount of parking to those that require the most.

The jurisdictions surveyed are named and grouped by state and population, making it convenient to review the range of standards and choose parking requirements that best fit your community's size and circumstances.

Aesthetics of Parking (PAS 411)

An Illustrated Guide

[Thomas Smith](#)

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Often, parking for offices and businesses is provided in large islands of asphalt or ugly concrete parking decks. Designers maximize the number of parking spaces available without planning for aesthetic considerations.

Smith shows that this scenario is not inevitable. From landscaping, to screening, to sensitive design, he explains techniques that can transform parking lots and structures into true community assets. He accompanies his points with many photographs and renderings that contrast the barren concrete of a suburban mall with the lush foliage of an office park.

A boon to anyone revising parking requirements, this is a publication that no urban planner should be without.