

Killeen Fort Hood Regional Airport

Exempt Parking Overview

Agenda

- Exempt Parking Background
- Exempt Parking Eligibility
- Ordinance Recommendation

Exempt Parking Background

- Texas Transportation Code Section 681.008
 - Privileged Parking
 - 1995 Act Defined Disabled Parking Requirements
- 1999 Act Amendment
 - Disabled Veteran
 - Pearl Harbor Survivor
 - Purple Heart Recipient
 - Congressional Medal of Honor

Exempt Parking Background

- **Sec 681.008**

PARKING PRIVILEGES: CERTAIN VETERANS AND MILITARY AWARD RECIPIENTS. (a) A vehicle may be parked for an unlimited period in a parking space or area that is designated specifically for persons with physical disabilities if the vehicle:

(1) is being operated by or for the transportation of:

(A) the person who registered the vehicle under Section [504.202\(a\)](#) or a person described by Section [504.202\(b\)](#) if the vehicle is registered under that subsection; and

(B) displays special license plates issued under Section [504.202](#);

Exempt Parking Background

- **Sec 681.008 (cont'd)**

- (b) A vehicle on which license plates described by Subsection (a)(2) or issued under Section [504.202](#), Section [504.310](#), [504.315](#), or [504.316](#), or [504.319](#) are displayed **is exempt from the payment of a parking fee collected through a parking meter charged by a governmental authority** other than a branch of the federal government, **when being operated by or for the transportation of:**
 - (1) **the person who registered the vehicle** under Section [504.202](#)(a), Section [504.310](#), [504.315](#), or [504.316](#), or [504.319](#);
 - (2) **a person described in Section [504.202](#)(b)** if the vehicle is registered under that subsection; or
 - (3) the owner or operator of a vehicle displaying license plates described by Subsection (a)(2).
- (c) This section does not permit a vehicle to be parked at a time when or a place where parking is prohibited.
- (d) **A governmental unit may provide by ordinance or order that the exemption provided by Subsection (b) also applies to payment of a fee or penalty imposed by the governmental unit for parking in a parking garage or lot or in a space with a limitation on the length of time for parking.**

Exempt Parking Background

- Sec 504.202 (added by Act in 2003)
 - VETERANS WITH DISABILITIES
 - (a) A person entitled to specialty license plates under this section may register, **for the person's own use**, one vehicle without payment of any fee paid for or at the time of registration except the fee for the license plates. Registration under this section is valid for one year.
- Where can exemptions be valid?
 - Parking meters, public parking lots, public parking facilities
 - Airports
 - Designated space/area for persons with physical disabilities

Exempt License Plates

- Amendments Through the Act of 2013
 - Disabled Veteran
 - Congressional Medal of Honor
 - Pearl Harbor Survivor
 - World War II
 - Silver Star
 - Legion of Merit
 - Distinguished Service Medal
 - Defense Superior Service Medal
 - Former Prisoner of War
 - Purple Heart Recipient
 - Legion of Valor
 - Bronze Star (and Valor)
 - Air Medal (and Valor)

City Parking Ordinance

Sec. 28-128. - Disabled parking

Defines disabled parking and what constitutes an offense under the ordinance

Sec. 28-137. - Parking at Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport.

- A. The airport director may establish areas in which the stopping, standing or parking of a motor vehicle is prohibited or restricted.
- B. A person may not park a motor vehicle in a public area of the Killeen-Fort Hood regional airport except:
 - 1. at a place and in a manner expressly authorized by the airport director;
 - 2. as directed by a police officer or an airport official; or
 - 3. in compliance with official posted signs or markings.
- C. A person may not stop, stand or park a motor vehicle in a passenger loading zone except to quickly load or unload passengers and baggage. A motor vehicle may not be left unattended while loading or unloading passengers and/or baggage.
- D. An airport official may tow a motor vehicle parked on airport property in violation of this chapter at the owner or operator's expense.

Current Procedures

- Request ID and Registration
 - Verify vehicle is used by or for transportation of the exempt license holder
 - Posted at each parking lot exit station
- Policy in-use since 2004
- Fraud Prevention
- Exemptions listed on website

Recommended Course of Action

- Return to Council at next workshop with a draft ordinance
- Include provision for positive identification of individual claiming the exemption

QUESTIONS ?

- Exempt Parking Background
- Exempt Parking Eligibility
- Ordinance Recommendation