

Parking Tips

Parking near the Stations is busy but not impossible. Busiest times are weekdays, with peak hours generally from 7am to around 3pm. To help you plan ahead, we offer these tips for parking at most of the Light Rail Stations, based on research we conducted when designing the Light Rail Walk Series. Conditions may change, so look for and follow all posted signs. Remember, you can park at a Station closest to you and then ride Light Rail to any of the walks in the Series (less hassle & traffic!).

UW Station

On Saturdays starting at noon, and on Sundays all-day, and on UW holidays all-day, parking is free at the lots around Husky Stadium (unless it's a game day or a UW event). You can go online to check the UW event calendar, then go on a Saturday afternoon, Sunday, or UW holiday, and park free.

Capitol Hill Station

Street parking near Capitol Hill Station is busy all the time. You can find pay-lots or garages the area, or try parking at another Station, and then ride Light Rail in for your Capitol Hill walk (see the Emerald City Wanderers website to download a list of walk directions to help you navigate from the Station to the start point – list is for all the walks in the Series).

SoDo

Street parking near SoDo Station is free, but next to the station it will be limited to 1-hour or 2-hours, Mon-Sat, 7am – 6pm. Free street parking near the station on Sunday is generally available.

Tip 1: If you arrive at 4:00 or 5:00, there may be 1-hour or 2-hour spaces available near the Station. You can park for free and without time-limit (since the limit ends at 6:00).

Tip 2: Otherwise, parking maps are in the start box showing free parking along the walk route with no day / time restrictions. Register for the walk at the start point, then drive to park, according to the parking map. Directions are given for starting your walk from there.

Mount Baker Station

Parking around this Station is difficult. For the April 13th & 14th Event which starts at Mt. Baker Station, we suggest parking at another Station, and then riding Light Rail in to the Mt. Baker Station.

Beacon Hill, Columbia City, Othello, and Rainier Beach Stations

Street parking at these Stations is free, but next to the Station it will be limited to 2-hours, Mon-Fri, 7am – 6pm. Free street parking near the Station on Saturdays and Sundays is usually available.

Tip 1: On weekdays, if you park at 4:00, there is usually a 2-hour space somewhere near the Station. You can park for free and without time-limit (since the limit ends at 6:00).

Tip 2: Otherwise, for the YRE's at these stations, parking maps are in the start boxes for free parking along the route without day / time restrictions. Register for the walk, then drive to park, according to the parking map. Directions are given for starting your walk from there.

Tukwila Station

The lot at this station is reserved for Light Rail riders, and will fill up with commuters during peak hours, Mon-Fri, but fairly open otherwise. If you're taking the Tukwila walk, a parking map is in the start box, for free parking along the route without day / time restrictions. Register for the walk, then drive to park, per the parking map. Directions are given for starting your walk from there.

Angle Lake Station

Angle Lake has a large garage with free parking for Light Rail riders, but it will fill up with commuters during peak hours, Mon-Fri, from about 7am to around 3pm (spots will start to open up around 3:00). If you're taking either the Angle Lake Light Rail walk, or the Des Moines Creek Stroll, a parking map is in the start box showing free parking for each of those walks, with directions to start your walk from there.

New Tip: If the Angle Lake Parking Garage is full, there is also a pay-lot, one block south of the Station: Skyway Inn, 20045 International Blvd., Seatac, WA 98168. Parking is \$8 for all day, and it's open 24/7.