



# City of Dover – Downtown Parking Frequently Asked Questions

## **Where are meters going to be located?**

The meters will be located throughout most of downtown.

## **What do I do once I purchase parking?**

The meter will dispense a receipt. Please return to your vehicle and place it face up on your driver's side dash board.

## **How much will it cost to park, what are the time limits, how can I pay?**

It cost 75 cents per hour. Those using cash can pay for as little as 20 minutes (25 cents). Those using credit cards will have a minimum of one hour. There is a 3-hour on street limit and no limit in parking lots. The meter accepts Visa, Discover, MasterCard, tokens & coins. Debit cards will not work.

## **When did the system go live?**

Most on-street meters were activated on January 3, 2011.

## **When do you need to pay for parking?**

Currently, paid parking is in effect, Monday through Friday from 9am to 7pm, except holidays.

## **How do I get discounted parking?**

Tokens are available for purchase at a 33% discount and are available at the Police Station.

## **Is there any incentive program in place with local businesses?**

This is up to each business, but some reimburse you for a purchase with additional tokens to make repeat visits to downtown Dover. Please tear off your receipt to bring with you to your favorite shop or restaurant.

## **General Parking Questions**

### **Why the change to paid parking?**

The City has determined that having a pay to park system is part of a comprehensive management system. Parking revenue is necessary to fund additional improvements to the parking inventory, including lot maintenance and additional facilities. By having users of the parking system pay to use it, this negates any impact to the General Tax Payer as all fees collected are used to fund the system.

### **Where do you park if you don't want to pay a meter?**

Some areas adjacent to the downtown are still free to park. Additionally, long-term downtown parkers are encouraged to purchase monthly permit for one of the convenient downtown parking lots. There is no time limit in these parking lots. The permits can be purchased at the Police Station M-F 8:30am to 4:00pm.

#### **\$45 per Month**

First Street, School Street, Orchard Street and Belknap Lot

#### **\$30 per Month**

Third Street

#### **\$20 per Month**

Chestnut Street

#### **Free**

The Grimes Lot off of Portland Ave

### **Will the meters be lit?**

Yes, the meters will have a solar light to illuminate the console during low-light situations.

### **What about snow removal and access to the meters?**

As part of this program, the City will enhance the snow removal in the downtown core to make sidewalks readily accessible.

## **For More Information**

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