



Enforcement Policy

To ensure we are being fair with on road users, we have minimum times which our civil enforcement officers observe before issuing a penalty charge notice (PCN). We also ensure vehicles are not removed unless they are committing a serious offence or are parked illegally for a long period of time. This is in line with Legislation and Best Practice guidelines created by London Councils.

Below is a list of parking contraventions for which penalty charge notices (PCNs) are issued in London Borough of Hackney. Information on the minimum time vehicles will be observed before a PCN is issued, and minimum time observed between the issue of a PCN and the vehicle being removed, is provided under the Enforcement columns.

Contravention Code	Description	Enforcement criteria	Enforcement	
			PCN	Removal Time
1	Parked in a restricted street during prescribed hours. <i>Single Yellow Line</i>	More serious	Yes – 2 minutes	Yes – instant
1	Parked in a restricted street during prescribed hours.(N.1) <i>Double Yellow Line</i>	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes - instant
2	Parked, loading or unloading in a restricted street where waiting, loading/unloading restrictions are in force.	More serious	Yes instant	Yes - instant

5	Parked after the expiry of paid for time	Less serious	Yes – minimum 5 minutes after expiry of pay and display ticket of which at least 2 minutes are after the expiry time	Yes – 4 hours
6	Parked without clearly displaying a valid pay & display ticket	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes – Typically 4 hours – See footnotes for details
12	Parked in a residents' or shared use parking space without clearly displaying either a permit or voucher or pay and display ticket issued for that place.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes – 4 hours
16	Parked in a permit space without displaying a valid permit.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes No voucher/permit – 4 hours Expired P&D ticket valid for that location – 4 hours Expired visitor voucher valid for that location – 24 hours Expired permit valid for that location – 7 days
19	Parked in a residents' or shared use parking place displaying an invalid permit, an invalid voucher or an invalid pay & display ticket.	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes No voucher/permit – 4 hours Expired P&D ticket valid for that location – 4 hours Expired visitor voucher valid for that location – 24 hours Expired permit valid for that location – 7 days
20	Parked in a loading gap marked by a yellow line.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes

21	Parked in a suspended parking bay/space or part of bay/space.	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes - instant
22	Re-parked in the same parking place within one hour of leaving.	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes – 4 hours
23	Parked in a parking place or area not designated for the class of vehicle.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes - instant
24	Not parked correctly within the markings of a bay or space.	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes - instant
25	Parked in a loading place during restricted hours without loading.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes – instant
26	Vehicle parked more than 50 cm from the edge of the carriageway and not within a designated parking place.	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes - instant
27	Parked adjacent to a dropped footway	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes - instant

28	Parked in a special enforcement area on part of the carriageway raised to meet the level of a footway, cycle track or verge	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes - instant
30	Parked for longer than permitted.	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes - instant
40	Parked in a designated disabled person's parking place without clearly displaying a valid disabled person's badge. (N5)	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes – 30 minutes after PCN is issued
43	Stopped on a cycle docking station parking place	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes - instant
45	Parked on a taxi rank.	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant
46	Parked on a rural clearway where stopping by vehicles is prohibited.	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant
47	Stopped on a restricted bus stop/stand	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant

48	Stopped in a restricted area outside a school during term time.	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant
49	Parked wholly or partly on a cycle track.	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant
61	A heavy commercial vehicle wholly or partly parked on a footway, verge or land between two carriageways.	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant
62	Parked with one or more wheels on any part of an urban road other than a carriageway (footway parking).	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant
70	Parked in a loading area during restricted hours without reasonable excuse	More serious	Yes – instant	Yes – instant
71	Parked in an electric vehicles' charging place during restricted hours without charging (off-street)	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes – instant
80	Parked for longer than the maximum period permitted	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No

81	Parked in a restricted area in a car park	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes – instant (if causing an obstruction to service vehicles & entrances/exits)
82	Parked after the expiry of paid for time	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No
83	Parked in a car park without clearly displaying a valid pay & display ticket**	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No
84	Parked with additional payment made to extend the stay beyond time first purchased	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No
85	Parked in a permit bay without clearly displaying a valid permit	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes – instant (if causing an obstruction to service vehicles & entrances/exits)
86	Parked beyond the bay markings – Car Park	Less serious	Yes – instant	No
87	Parked in a disabled person's parking space without clearly displaying a valid disabled person's badge (in Car Park)	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes – instant (if causing an obstruction to service vehicles & entrances/exits)

89	Vehicle parked exceeds maximum weight and/or height permitted in the area	More serious	Yes - instant	No
91	Parked in a car park not designated for the class of vehicle.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	Yes - instant
92	Parked causing an obstruction	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes – instant (if causing an obstruction to service vehicles & entrances/exits)
93	Parked in car park when closed	Less serious	Yes - instant	No
99	Stopped on a pedestrian crossing and/or crossing area marked by zigzags	More serious	Yes - instant	Yes - instant
Persistent Evaders	Vehicles with 3 or more outstanding PCNs	More serious	PCNs will be issued to persistent evaders under one of the codes above, however different clamping/removing practices will apply.	Yes Within a bay – 15 minutes Other – instant

Misuse of Disable Badge (or any other LBH parking product)	Misuse or fraudulent use of disable badges	More serious	PCNs will be issued to blue badge fraudsters under one of the codes above, however different clamping/removing practices will apply.	Yes Within a bay – 30 minutes Other – instant
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Notes:

1. Any vehicle causing an obstruction is to be removed immediately.
2. Emergency vehicles are not to be clamped or removed.
3. Vehicles parked in suspended bays will be issued a PCN & then relocated when possible if they display a valid permit for the zone & the bay in which the suspension has taken place.
4. Where there is high demand for parking and in exceptional circumstances vehicles parked in permitted parking places (including doctors bays), but in contravention of an above contravention can be removed in 30minutes.
5. Vehicles parked in permitted parking places, but in contravention can be removed if the long term illegal parking is “long term”. Long term is defined as 4 hours for vehicles displaying no permit/voucher, 4 hours after the expiry of a Pay and Display ticket, 24 hours after the expiry of a visitor voucher and 7 days after the expiry of a permit.
6. Motorcycles will no longer be permitted to park for free in Pay & Display bays.
7. Particular vehicles or groups of vehicles persistently contravening Parking regulations at identified areas where constant non compliance is observed can be issued with instant PCNs. We will use this policy selectively & to minimize the impact of the general public.