



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	Clamp	Removal	
1	Parked in a restricted street during prescribed hours. <i>Single Yellow Line</i>	More serious	Yes – 2 minutes	No	Yes – instant	
1	Parked in a restricted street during prescribed hours.(N.1) <i>Double Yellow Line</i>	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
2	Parked, loading or unloading in a restricted street where waiting, loading/unloading restrictions are in force.	More serious	Yes instant	No	Yes - instant	

5	Parked after the expiry of paid for time	Less serious	Yes – minimum 5 minutes after expiry of pay and display ticket and minimum two regardless of pay and display expiry time	No	Yes	
6	Parked without clearly displaying a valid pay & display ticket	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	Yes	
7	Parked with payment made to extend the stay beyond initial time.	Less serious	Yes - instant	No	No	
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	No	Yes - see footnotes	
16	Parked in a permit space without displaying a valid permit.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	Yes - see footnotes	
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	No	Yes - see footnotes	

20	Parked in a loading gap marked by a yellow line.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	Yes - instant	
21	Parked in a suspended parking bay/space or part of bay/space.	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
22	Re-parked in the same parking place within one hour of leaving.	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	No	
23	Parked in a parking place or area not designated for the class of vehicle.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	Yes - instant	
24	Not parked correctly within the markings of a bay or space.	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	No	
25	Parked in a loading place during restricted hours without loading.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	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	No	Yes - instant	

27	Parked adjacent to a dropped footway	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
30	Parked for longer than permitted.	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	Yes	
31	Entering and stopping in a box junction when prohibited	More serious	Yes – CCTV	No	Yes - instant	
34	Being in a bus lane.	More serious	Yes - CCTV	No	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	No	Yes - instant	
45	Parked on a taxi rank.	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	

46	Parked on a rural clearway where stopping by vehicles is prohibited.	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
47	Stopped on a restricted bus stop/stand	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
48	Stopped in a restricted area outside a school during term time.	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
49	Parked wholly or partly on a cycle track.	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
55	A commercial vehicle parked in a restricted street in contravention of the Overnight Waiting Ban.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	No	
61	A heavy commercial vehicle wholly or partly parked on a footway, verge or land between two carriageways.	More serious	Yes - instant	No	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	No	Yes - instant	

70	Parked in a loading area during restricted hours without reasonable excuse	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
80	Parked for longer than the maximum period permitted	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	No	
81	Parked in a restricted area in a car park	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes – instant	
82	Parked after the expiry of paid for time	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	No	
83	Parked in a car park without clearly displaying a valid pay & display ticket**	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	No	
84	Parked with additional payment made to extend the stay beyond time first purchased	Less serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	No	
85	Parked in a permit bay without clearly displaying a valid permit	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	Yes	

86	Parked beyond the bay markings – Car Park	Less serious	Yes – instant	No	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	No	Yes - instant	
89	Vehicle parked exceeds maximum weight and/or height permitted in the area	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
91	Parked in a car park not designated for the class of vehicle.	More serious	Yes – 5 minutes	No	Yes - instant	
92	Parked causing an obstruction	More serious	Yes - instant	No	Yes - instant	
93	Parked in car park when closed	Less serious	Yes - instant	No	No	
99	Stopped on a pedestrian crossing and/or crossing area marked by zigzags	More serious	Yes - instant	No	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 - instant	Yes - instant	Always remove these vehicles as soon as possible (15minutes minimum).
Misuse of Disable Badge	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 - instant	Yes - instant	Always remove these vehicles as soon as possible (15 minutes minimum).

Notes:

1. Any vehicle causing an obstruction is to be removed immediately.
2. Clamps will only be used on persistent evaders – these may be removed at any time to allow the vehicle to be removed to the pound.
3. Emergency vehicles are not to be clamped or removed.
4. Vehicles parked in suspended bays are to be relocated when possible if they display a valid permit for the zone in which the suspension has taken place.
5. In exceptional circumstances vehicles parked in permitted parking places, but in contravention of an above contravention can be removed in 30minutes – disabled bays are not recognized as places where parking is permitted unless the vehicle in question has a valid companion/blue badge, and can therefore be removed instantly.
6. Persistent evaders and disable badge fraudsters can be clamped and removed instantly in all contraventions as long as it does not cause an obstruction to the flow of traffic.
7. 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.

