Parking Services Fact Sheet



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What powers does MK Council have?

Milton Keynes operates under decriminalised parking law, this means the council enforces most parking restrictions rather than the police. However, the council can only enforce restrictions that are supported by a Traffic Regulation Order. These are clearly identified using signing and/or lining (e.g. yellow lines).

Some restrictions are only advisory and cannot be enforced. Examples include white access protection markings and residential disabled bays.

The council has <u>no powers</u> to take enforcement action if there are no Traffic Regulation Orders (signs/lines) in place. Police have retained the powers to enforce for obstruction (whether of a vehicle, access or vision). These acts are a criminal offence and should be reported to the police non-emergency number 101 rather than the council. There is nothing the council can do.



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How can I arrange for restrictions to be implemented?

You can request new parking restrictions but you'll need to demonstrate there's widespread support or a clear safety reason for introducing them.

Restrictions normally take about six months to introduce (a legal process must be followed) and includes local consultation.

For yellow line restrictions, a request can be made to customerservices@milton-keynes.gov.uk.



Parking enforcement

Parking enforcement is undertaken randomly so that motorists can't predict the beat and 'work the system'. Areas of heavy abuse receive daily enforcement.

If you notice abuse of a particular restriction email mkparking@milton-keynes.gov.uk. The council is unable to send enforcement immediately and can't retrospectively issue a penalty notice based on photographs.

Yellow line restrictions apply at all times and enforcement is undertaken seven days a week. The council doesn't have powers to remove vehicles but can issue a penalty charge notice to a vehicle parked where restrictions are in place.

By law, income from penalty charges issued by the council can only be used to fund parking enforcement operations and other transport projects.

MKC parking - mkparking@milton-Keynes.gov.uk or 01908 252309

MKC highways - customerservices@milton-Keynes.gov.uk or 01908 252353

Police non-emergency - 101

Permit enquiries - miltonkeynespermits@imperial.co.uk or 01604625608

Penalty Charge Notice – www.penalties.milton-keynes.gov.uk or 01604 625632