

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

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Traffic control requirements are established to protect people and property on the Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC), Wallops Flight Facility (WFF). The GSFC traffic control program applies to all personnel operating any type of motor vehicle and/or bicycle while on GSFC property. Motor vehicle laws for general traffic enforcement are based on state laws. Drivers are required to obey the vehicle laws of the State of Virginia, whether or not those laws are stated as offenses on the GSFC; the violation of any such laws will be enforced as if stated herein. All persons will comply with any lawful order, signal, or direction of a WFF Security Force representative in connection with traffic control or the parking of vehicles. Vehicle operators will comply with signs, markings, and signals utilized in regulating traffic or parking, unless otherwise directed by a member of the WFF Security Force.

1. **Vehicle Registration/Decals/Passes.** All motor vehicles located on GSFC's WFF must be properly registered and insured. The GSFC no longer issues vehicle decals or temporary parking passes.
2. **Speed Limits.** Unless otherwise posted, the following are the maximum speed limits for designated WFF areas:
 - a. Roadways (on the Main Base and on the Island) - 35 miles per hour.
 - b. Island Causeway - 40 miles per hour.
 - c. Entry/Exit Gates - 15 miles per hour (dim your headlights when driving through the gates).
 - d. Parking Lots - 15 miles per hour.
3. **Right-of-Way.** Pedestrians have the right-of-way in all marked crosswalks.
4. **Accidents.** In the event of a traffic accident, persons involved will call, or cause to be called, the WFF 24-hour Emergency Dispatcher on extension 1333 to report the accident and to call for medical aid if there are injuries. Vehicles involved in accidents should not be moved until a WFF Security Officer arrives and approves. Persons are expected to comply with all accident reporting requirements.
5. **Moving Traffic Violation.** The WFF Security Force will enforce the speed limit by the use of radar. When you are stopped for a moving violation (such as speeding), the WFF Security Force representative will also ensure that your vehicle is properly registered to be on GSFC's WFF property.
6. **GSFC Traffic Violation System.** The point system is an administrative aid for enforcing traffic policies on the GSFC. It is emphasized that the assessment of points for traffic violations is not in and of itself to be construed as disciplinary action and does not relieve GSFC supervisors or personnel of their responsibilities to take disciplinary action commensurate with the offense committed.
 - a. A point assessment will be made for each Traffic Violation Notice (ticket) issued. Each assessment will remain on the driver's traffic record for a 2-year period commencing with the date of issuance. Subsequent to first violation, these notices will be routed through appropriate supervisors. When an individual has accumulated 10 points in any 2-year period, driving privileges on the GSFC may be suspended by the GSFC Security Director. Any violation of these regulations during suspension of

driving privileges will result in an extension of the suspension period or permanent revocation of driving privileges on GSFC property.

- b. Parking violation point assessments are as follows:
- 1) Parking in spaces reserved for persons with disabilities - 5 points.
 - 2) Parking in fire/safety areas (i.e., areas marked/striped with yellow paint) - 4 points.
 - 3) Parking in reserved spaces, time spaces, and "No Parking" areas (i.e., areas outside marked spaces in parking lots and on roadways) - 3 points.
- Moving violation point assessments are as follows (this list is not all inclusive):
- 4) Speeding (up to 20 miles over the speed limit) - 5 points. (Speeding of 20 miles or more over the speed limit may be considered negligent or reckless driving.)
 - 5) Not stopping at "Stop" signs or for pedestrians - 5 points.
 - 6) Disregarding instructions of WFF Security Force representatives - 4 points.
 - 7) Other offenses under the vehicle laws of the State of Virginia not specified herein (e.g., seat belt violations; negligent or reckless driving) - 4 points.
- Exceptional moving violation point assessments are as follows (this list is not all inclusive):
- 8) Driving under the influence of intoxicating beverages or drugs - 10 points.
 - 2) Assault with a motor vehicle - 10 points.
 - 3) Operating a vehicle without a valid operator's license or while under suspension or revocation - 10 points.
- c. The length of time driving privileges will be suspended is determined as follows:
- 1) First suspension - 30 days.
 - 2) Suspension within 2 years of completion of the first suspension - 60 days.
 - 3) Suspension within 2 years of the completion of the second suspension - 180 days.

7. Airport Vehicular and Pedestrian Traffic. The airport runways, taxiways, ramps, and surrounding grass areas are OFF LIMITS to all pedestrians and vehicles except those escorted and/or operated by a person having radio communications with the Air Traffic Control Tower.
- a. Bicycles are not permitted to cross or be on the runways at any time.
 - b. Generally, pedestrians are not permitted to enter or cross any airport operational area. Pedestrian traffic on airport ramps is limited to aircraft flight crews and ground support personnel.
 - c. Vehicle and pedestrian traffic in support of research and test operations scheduled on or near the airport will be covered on an individual basis in the appropriate operations ground or flight safety plan(s).
 - d. Aircraft have absolute priority over all vehicular traffic. The operator of any vehicle will maneuver the vehicle at all times in a manner so as to avoid the possibility of collision with an aircraft.

Please call the COTR if you have a question concerning the vehicular and pedestrian traffic rules on the WFF.