



Electric Vehicle Charging Station Policy

The State of Maryland is committed to making meaningful reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. In order to achieve this goal, the State is making a significant investment in obtaining and promoting the use of electric vehicles (EVs) for the State government's fleet. This includes the installation of Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE), also known as charging stations, in strategic locations throughout the State. This policy document pertains to EVSEs owned by the State, and does not cover EVSEs owned by others, but used by the State, i.e. utility company EVSE.

The State policy for the use of these charging stations is as follows:

- Charging stations will be designated as either being reserved for State-owned fleet vehicles or available for both State-owned fleet vehicles and private vehicle use.
- Charging stations reserved for State vehicles may be used only by vehicles with official State of Maryland government license plates.
- Charging stations available for both State-owned fleet vehicles and private vehicles may be used by employees, contractors, and visitors between the hours posted on the station signage, for a maximum of 4 hours at Level 2 chargers and 1 hour at DC fast chargers. Exact times will be determined by the site's parking coordinator.
- Vehicles may pay a fee per kilowatt hour used. After a 30 minute grace period, an idle or "overstay" charge may be incurred. A placard on the charging station will provide fee details. Vehicles may be towed after the grace period, at owners' cost, at the discretion of the parking coordinator or law enforcement to free up spaces for others' use.
- Charging stations will be available on a first come, first served basis, unless otherwise noted. Spaces designated for charging stations will not be reserved or otherwise marked off in a way that blocks access to them.
- An EV is authorized to remain at a designated charging location only as long as it is being actively charged, up to a maximum number of hours specified on signage or until it has completed its charging cycle. The vehicle is to be moved promptly to permit access by other vehicles.
- Parking is not permitted at charging stations for any vehicle unless it is actively being charged. Violators are subject to being fined and/or towed.

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