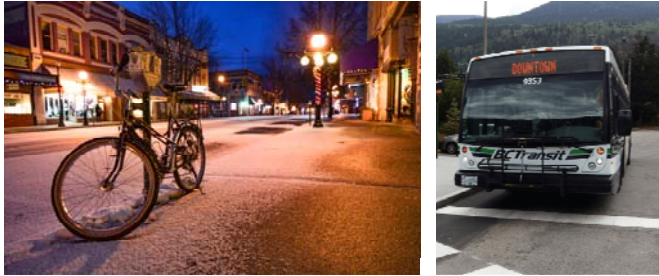


## Transit

Did you know that Google Maps can help plan your transit route, as well as a bike route? Or that City buses feature front bike racks?



The bus from Rosement to downtown takes only 7 minutes. The #10 bus from 2nd and Gordon takes 13 minutes.

Consider combining the bus or driving with active transportation or an e-bike, such as driving part way and finishing your journey by foot or bicycle.

PARK 'n' RIDE	LOCATION	BUS ROUTE
Nelson	Hwy 3A, just west of Government Road	Bus 99 Kootenay Connector
Playmor Junction	SW corner of Hwy 6 and 3A	Bus 99 Kootenay Connector, # 20 Slocan Valley
Ootischenia (Castlegar)	Castlegar, 1.5km north of the airport	Bus 99 Kootenay Connector
North Shore Park-and-Rides (incl. 12-Mile and Balfour: All are signed)		Bus 10 North Shore

	A.M. arrivals	P.M. departures
99 Kootenay Connector	7.17am, 7.21am, 7.31am, 8.22am, 8.39am, 9.36am, 9.48am, 11.17am	3.13pm, 3.59pm, 4.19pm, 5.05pm, 5.25pm
10 North Shore	7.45am, 8.47am, 10.37am	4.04pm, 5.04pm, 6.43pm, 8.36pm
14 Blewett	8.46am, 11.46am	3.59pm, 5.35pm

For full and up-to-date schedules, visit [www.bctransit.com/west-kootenay](http://www.bctransit.com/west-kootenay) or call 1-855-993-3100.

## Did you know where your \$1.25 goes?

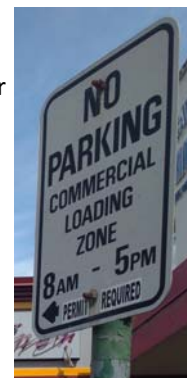
In Nelson, only about 6% of parking is pay parking. The City directs all meter and paystation revenue to fund improvements to our roads and sidewalks. In 2019, parking meters are expected to contribute \$975,000 towards road replacement, which is budgeted at \$1.425 million. That doesn't include regular maintenance: snow removal, sweeping and cleaning, and minor patching and repair, which is budgeted at an additional \$1.9 million. Without parking revenue, we would need an 11% increase in property taxes to fill in the gap. On the other hand, if parking revenue increased to cover all road costs, taxes could decrease by 26%. The City estimates that about 40% of those who park downtown, do not live in Nelson.

## Loading Zones

**Loading Zones:** Maximum 3 minutes for unloading passengers and 10 minutes for goods/deliveries.

**Commercial Loading Zones:** A commercial vehicle decal is required.

**Back Lanes:** Loading or unloading of goods is permitted for up to 15 minutes.



For more info: [www.nelson.ca/parking](http://www.nelson.ca/parking) or visit us at City Hall at 310 Ward Street

# Downtown Commuter Parking Guide

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## Support Your Downtown Businesses

**Where we park matters.** As a community, we can be mindful of where customers want to park and where employees should be parking to free up valuable stalls for customers and those who need to come downtown for just a quick errand. Every prime spot occupied by a commuter all day results in at least 5 fewer potential customer visits into the downtown core.

The downtown consists mostly of 2-hour metered parking, except Baker Street, which is mostly 1-hour meters. There are also some 15-min, 4-hour, and

8-hour meters. Rates are \$1.25 per hour and apply Monday to Saturday, 9am to 5pm. **Outside of these times, parking is free.**

Parking longer than the posted maximum time at a meter can be subject to a fine, even if you keep plugging the meter. Two-hour restrictions apply, where posted, on residential streets uphill from downtown.

There are **free** motorcycle/scooter parking triangles dispersed around the downtown. Be sure to park fully inside the painted space and to leave room for others.

Designated **accessible parking** is available throughout the downtown (generally near intersections) for up to two hours at a time, with a valid accessible parking permit.

## How do I get a parking permit?

You can obtain commuter, seniors, and residential parking passes online at [parking.nelson.ca](http://parking.nelson.ca) or in person at City Hall.

For daily permits purchased online, no physical permit is issued. Enforcement is by licence plate.

There are also **third-party apps** that might help you connect with available **private off-street parking**.

### Options for All-Day Parking

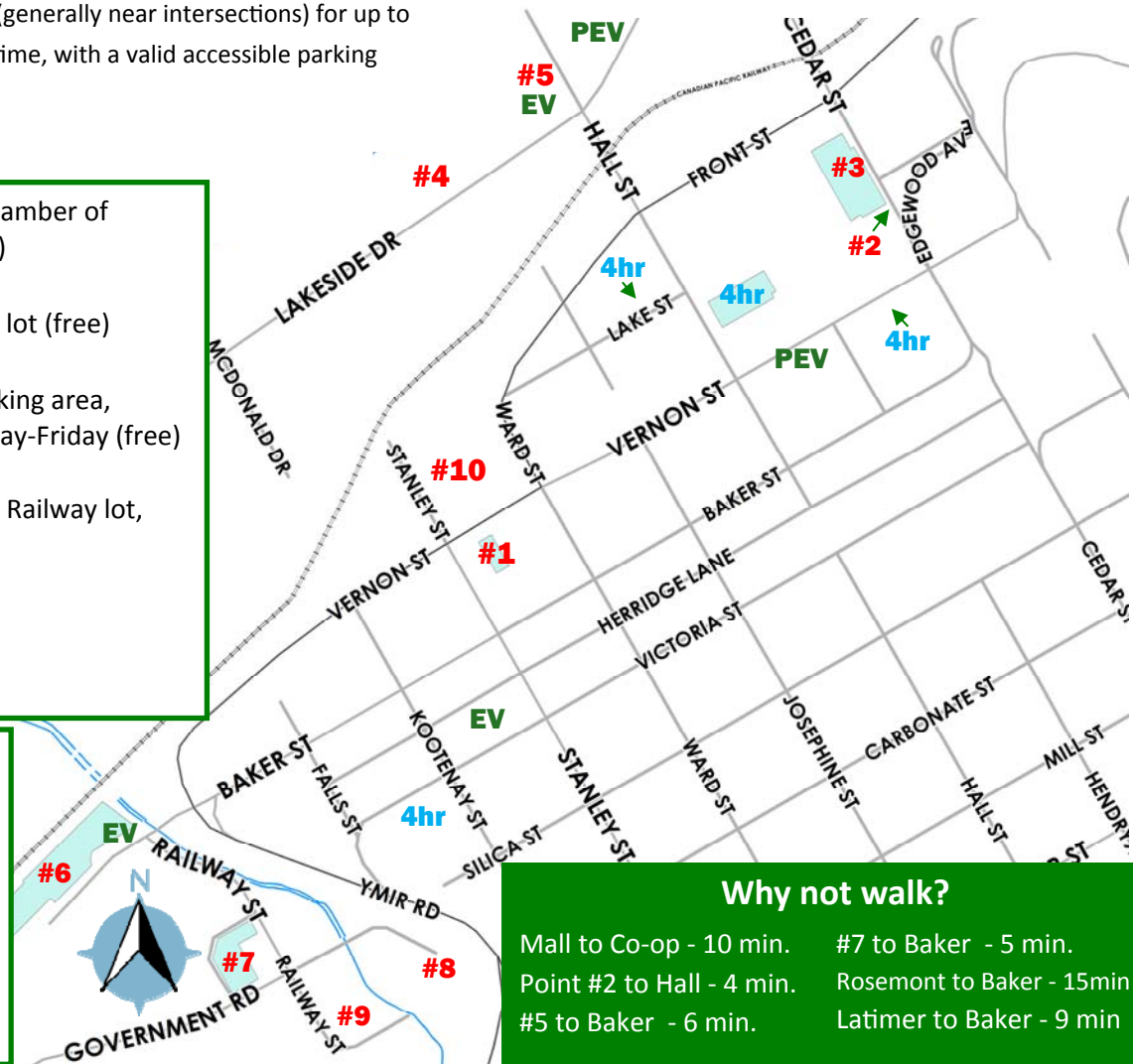
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| #1: City Parkade (daily rate is \$5)  | #6: Monthly permits (call Chamber of Commerce at 250-352-3433)                 |
| #2: Cedar Street \$5 all-day coin meters (dashboard permits can be purchased available at City Hall for one day or in bulk)                   | #7: Government Rd. parking lot (free)  |
| #3: Curling Club parking lot (April - Sept. only, permits available online only at <a href="http://parking.nelson.ca">parking.nelson.ca</a> ) | #8: Cottonwood Market parking area, behind recycle depot, Monday-Friday (free) |
| #4: Lakeside Drive along airport (free)   | #9: Rod & Gun Club and 713 Railway lot, behind Garden Supply (free)            |
| #5: Lower Hall lot adjacent to Prestige (\$1.25/hr or \$5 per day)  |  |

### Off-Hours Parking

#10: Behind City Hall: small lot off Stanley. 26 spaces (including the spaces limited to 15 minutes during business hours) are free evenings after 5pm and Saturdays and Sundays, from April 1st to Oct. 31st only. *Outside of these hours and months, vehicles may be towed.*

### EV Parking

EV: Free public level-2 electric vehicle charging stations  
PEV: Private (customer-only) electric vehicle charging



### Why not walk?

Mall to Co-op - 10 min.	#7 to Baker - 5 min.
Point #2 to Hall - 4 min.	Rosemont to Baker - 15min
#5 to Baker - 6 min.	Latimer to Baker - 9 min