

DRIVERS REMINDED NO PARKING IN CBD BUS ZONES

Dubbo Regional Council (DRC) is reminding residents to be aware of times listed on bus zone signage with penalties applying for those who park in those areas.

Some CBD bus zones have recently been impacted by vehicles parking during the evening despite the zones still being in use.

Currently CBD bus zones have late night restrictions on parking, intended to leave the space open for night-time bus services, however DRC parking o[°]cers have been receiving complaints from transport providers that people have been parking in these areas.

All bus zones in the Dubbo CBD area are applicable from 7:00am to 9:30pm Monday to Friday, and from 7:00am to 6:30pm on Saturdays.

Ignoring these restrictions and parking in bus zones prohibits bus access and increases risk for pedestrians and other road users. It

can also result in penalties being issued to vehicle owners by parking o[°] cers, with a lne of \$283.

"Our public transport services are integral to the independence of many members of our community, so it is especially important that road users do not park in bus zones. It's unsafe, unfair and illegal," says Manager Environmental Compliance Helen Eyre.

"That's why there are penalties in place for breaking that rule – your desire to park wherever you choose does not override someone else's right to be able to travel around our region safely on public transport."

Bus zones outside the Dubbo CBD may have different time that they apply in. Applicable hours for each bus zone in the local government area are printed on the signs at the start and the end of the zone area. Drivers are reminded that it is their responsibility to take note of these hours when they are considering parking options.

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