Lilongwe parking fees and fines 2026

Every charge in Lilongwe City Council's 2026 Parking Fees & Penalties Schedule, published 21 October 2026. All amounts in Malawi kwacha. Check the latest rates and the explainer at zakumalawi.com.

STANDARD PARKING	REGISTRATION	MONTHLY PERMIT	FINES
K500	**K10,000**	**K70,000**	**K15,000+**
per hour, per scan	once, per vehicle	prepaid, per vehicle	up to K500,000

Parking fees and related charges

Description	Rate (MK)	Unit
Standard parking, per scan	**500**	per vehicle per hour
Parking registration, once-off	**10,000**	per vehicle
Registered lorries, trucks, buses and taxis	**750**	per vehicle
Registered international coaches	**50,000**	per vehicle
Registered local departure coaches	**20,000**	per vehicle
Registered offices and shops: companies	**1,600**	per vehicle
Registered offices and shops: individuals	**1,500**	per vehicle
LCC tenants and government departments	**750**	per vehicle
Drop-off fee, local buses	**10,000**	per vehicle
Overnight parking, local buses	**10,000**	per vehicle
Clamping fee	**15,000**	per vehicle
Recovery fee threshold	**10,000**	threshold

The card lists registered-vehicle rates 'per vehicle' without saying per day or per hour: ask the council's parking office.

Prepaid parking permits and reserved parking

Permit (per vehicle)	2026 rate (MK)	Gazette, March 2026
Daily	**1,500**	same
Weekly	**8,000**	same
Monthly	**70,000**	32,000
Quarterly	**200,000**	90,000
Semi-annually	**400,000**	170,000
Annually	**600,000**	320,000
Reserved parking (per slot per month)	**50,000**	same

Parking, traffic and vehicle offences

Offence	Fine (MK)	Unit
Illegal parking		
Parking outside marked parking boundaries	**15,000**	per offence
Not following parking directions or markings	**15,000**	per offence
Parking across a marked line, taking two spaces	**30,000**	per offence
Blocking other parked vehicles	**50,000**	per offence
Blocking vehicles entering or leaving a parking area	**60,000**	per offence

Offence	Fine (MK)	Unit
Leaving a vehicle beyond the parking time limit	**75,000**	per offence
Parking area conduct		
Blocking access to a parking space without permission	**50,000**	per offence
Doing business in a parking area without written permission	**50,000**	per offence
Dirtying a parking space	**40,000**	per offence
Washing or cleaning a vehicle in a parking area	**60,000**	per offence
Non-emergency repairs in a parking area without permission	**60,000**	per offence
Parking a vehicle too heavy or big for that space	**100,000**	per offence
Paying and enforcement		
Cheating or giving false information to avoid parking fees	**75,000**	per offence
Destroying a fine, bill, notice or receipt before paying	**75,000**	per offence
Obstructing a parking agent or officer	**150,000**	per offence
Damaging parking signs or notices	**150,000**	per offence
Damaging parking enforcement or fee collection equipment	**150,000**	per offence
Redeeming a clamped and towed vehicle	**75,000**	per vehicle
Heavy and commercial vehicles		
CBD permit, vehicles of 10 tonnes and above, 5am to 7pm	**150,000**	per entry
Entering the CBD without that permit, 5am to 7pm	**225,000**	per offence
Articulated vehicle or horse in a residential or commercial area without a permit	**225,000**	per offence
Repairing a vehicle in a residential or commercial area	**75,000**	per offence
Running a public transport business without a licence	**150,000**	per offence
Not registering a commercial vehicle with the council	**75,000**	per offence
Other		
Defacing a pole	**500,000**	minimum charge

What went up since the March 2026 gazette

Item	March 2026	October 2026
Monthly permit	K32,000	**K70,000**
Quarterly permit	K90,000	**K200,000**
Six-month permit	K170,000	**K400,000**
Annual permit	K320,000	**K600,000**
Articulated vehicle or horse without a permit	K170,000	**K225,000**
Defacing a pole (minimum)	K150,000	**K500,000**

Sources: Lilongwe City Council 2026 Parking Fees & Penalties Schedule (Facebook, 21 October 2026; reported by the Malawi News Agency the same day); Lilongwe City Council fees and charges, Malawi Government Gazette, 20 March 2026 (General Notice No. 22, effective 1 April 2026), lcc.mw. Council contacts: info@lcc.mw, 0884 823 555. This sheet is a plain-language copy for drivers; the council's own schedule is the legal text.