

Rhode Island Convention Center

Area Restaurant Parking Program

The Rhode Island Convention Center parking facility is pleased to offer downtown Providence restaurants parking programs specifically tailored to accommodate both your valued patrons and your trusted employees. These various programs will provide restaurant management with the flexibility to offer “valued added” parking options to their employees with limited administrative oversight. In addition, the patron parking programs will allow restaurant management the ability to easily validate parking fees for their valued guests.

1. **Discounted employee parking:** The RICC will establish a *discounted* validation account with select area restaurants by providing them with pre-programmed \$6 validation tickets (chasers) for their valued employees. Each ticket will validate a single day of parking charges for employees up to a maximum of 10 hours.

How it works: Management will be provided with a predetermined amount of chaser tickets which at their discretion, they will distribute on a nightly basis to their employees who have parked in the RICC parking garage. As the employee exits the garage at the end of his/her shift, they will present their original parking ticket they pulled upon entering the garage followed by their chaser ticket to the parking attendant. The chaser ticket will reduce the exiting parking price to a flat rate of \$6 which the employee will be required to pay prior to exiting the garage.

2. **Discounted employee parking sponsored by management:** The RICC will establish an additional and separate *discounted* validation account where the employer purchases in advance a select number of \$6 chaser tickets which restaurant management can then distribute to their valued employees. Each ticket will validate a single day of parking charges for employees up to a maximum of 10 hours. The fundamental difference between this program and validation program #1 is the cost of employee parking is picked up by restaurant management.

How it works: As the employee exits the garage at the end of his/her shift they will present their original ticket they pulled upon entering the garage followed by their chaser ticket to the parking attendant. The chaser ticket will change the exiting parking price to **free** at which time, the gate arm will open and the employee will exit the garage.

3. **Patron Parking Validation Program:** The RICC will establish a *discounted patron* validation account for select area restaurants allowing them to pre-purchase validation chaser tickets at a cost of \$6.00 per chaser. The chaser ticket will provide patrons using the RICC garages with their first three hours of parking **FREE OF CHARGE**. Any time in excess of three hours, the patron upon exiting the garage will be charged according to the posted RICC hourly parking rates.
4. **Premium Patron Parking Validation Program:** To accommodate special circumstances and patrons, RICC will establish a separate patron validation account through which select area restaurants will purchase chasers tickets at a flat \$11.00 each. These pre-paid chaser tickets will provide patrons with unlimited parking up until 2:00AM.

For additional information on these convenient, affordable and user-friendly parking programs, please contact Rhode Island Convention Center parking garage manager, Bob Sepe, at (401) 458-6339.