

# Lander University Police Department

## Immobilization Devices – Vehicle Boot

1. Upon the approval of the Chief or Deputy Chief of Police, Lander University Police Department may use vehicle immobilizers (also known as boots) as an additional parking enforcement tool. A vehicle boot is a device attached to the rear driver's side wheel, which immobilizes the vehicle until it has been removed by the LUPD with a code.
2. Vehicle boots will be used under the following circumstances:
  - A. to immobilize vehicles that have been designated as habitual offenders.
  - B. to immobilize illegally parked unregistered vehicles to determine ownership.
  - C. per the LUPD's discretion of law enforcement for safety and security needs.

## Boot Notification

1. Habitual offender status is designated after a vehicle has received three citations (as a warning) in a single academic year (from August through July). A physical citation is placed on the driver's side front windshield and an email notification is sent. All unknown vehicles are reported to the LUPD's administrative support to locate the offender.
  - A. The third citation will have a note warning that the next citation will result in the vehicle being booted and all citations must be paid. The link to pay citations and to review the Vehicle Immobilization Policy is available on all issued citations. (Please see the following).
    - i. Before the fourth citation is issued, the offender's account will be reviewed to ensure that all previous citations have been paid.
    - ii. A sticker will be placed on the driver's side window to alert the offender that the vehicle is booted with instructions to contact the LUPD for boot removal.
    - iii. The offender will have 48 hours in which to contact the Lander University Police Department for boot removal.

## Failure to Comply

- After 48 hours, the vehicle will be subject to towing.
  - o Failure to provide appropriate contact information with the vehicle registration may result in the vehicle being towed.
  - o **The offender is responsible for paying all unpaid citations, towing and storage fees.**

## Boot Removal

2. Arrangements for boot removal can be made by contacting the Lander University Police Department located at **302 Hampton Ave. Greenwood, S.C., 29649** or by calling **864-388-8222**. Lander University Police Officers are the only authorized personnel who can remove a boot from any vehicle. In order for a boot to be removed the offender must:

- A. Purchase a parking permit.
  - i. Pay the Boot Administration Fee.
    - 1. Fall Semester \$120.00
    - 2. Spring Semester \$60.00
- B. Pay all unpaid citations.
- C. Pay any additional fees at the LUPD's discretion.

## 3. Boot Maintenance Fee

An additional fee of \$250.00 will be applied for the replacement of the damaged or loss of the boot when:

- A. the boot has been removed by anyone other than an LUPD Officer.
- B. the boot has been tampered with in any manner.
  - i. this includes:
    - 1. the vehicle being driven/moved causing the boot to be damage.
    - 2. **the LUPD is not responsible for any vehicle damage.**