

Full Rollout of Five-Day Rotation System for Public Parking Lots... Exemptions for Livelihood Vehicles and Others

- Exempt public parking lots to be determined by each public institution
- Vehicles carrying persons with disabilities and pregnant women, as well as livelihood vehicles exempt

The Ministry of Climate, Energy and Environment (MCEE, Minister Kim Sunghwan) announced that the five-day rotation system for passenger vehicles at public parking lots will be fully implemented starting at 12:00 a.m. on April 8.

The five-day rotation system applies to approximately 30,000 on-street and off-street paid parking facilities (about 1 million spaces) installed and operated by local governments and public institutions. However, parking lots that may impact the national economy, such as those near traditional markets and tourist sites, those affecting public transportation use, such as park-and-ride facilities, those in areas with low traffic where effectiveness is limited, and any others deemed necessary for exclusion by the head of a public institution may be exempt from implementation.

Therefore, those wishing to use public parking lots should check in advance with the relevant public institution whether the five-day rotation system is being implemented. In addition, there are plans to establish measures to inform the public, such as through internet map services, so that people can easily

check whether the system is in effect at a given public parking lot.

In addition, if the use of a vehicle is unavoidable, exemptions from the five-day rotation system for passenger vehicles at public parking lots may be granted. Vehicles eligible for exemption include those carrying persons with disabilities, national merit recipients, pregnant women, or preschool children. Electric and hydrogen vehicles, as well as vehicles for special purposes (such as emergency and medical vehicles), livelihood vehicles, and any other vehicles deemed by the head of a public institution as particularly necessary for operation will also be exempt.

To obtain an exemption from the five-day rotation system, an application for exemption must be submitted to the public institution that has installed and operates the relevant parking lot, and a permit indicating the reason for exemption must be issued. However, vehicles that can be identified as exempt without such a permit, such as those for persons with disabilities and electric or hydrogen vehicles, may enter even without the permit attached.

The MCEE has distributed implementation guidelines for the five-day rotation system for passenger vehicles at public parking lots, the odd-even system for passenger vehicles at public institutions, and a list of frequently asked questions (FAQ) to relevant public institutions. The materials are also available on the Ministry's website (<https://www.mcee.go.kr>).

Park Deokyeol, Director General for Hydrogen and Heat Industry Policy Bureau at the MCEE, stated, "We are making every effort to ensure the full implementation of the five-day rotation system for passenger vehicles at public parking lots." He added, "Although there may be some inconvenience, we ask for the public's cooperation in conserving energy."