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OC Transpo provides Park & Ride users with safety tips

Ottawa – OC Transpo's Park & Ride lots are hugely popular. Space at some lots is at a premium – especially in winter. OC Transpo is asking customers to do their part to maintain safety and keep traffic flowing in and around these lots by parking in designated parking spaces only and keeping lanes clear. This will help ensure emergency vehicles and others can get around as needed.

OC Transpo is asking customers to:

- park in designated parking spaces only;
- observe and obey all rules and regulatory signs, and;
- avoid parking in prohibited areas, non-designated parking or reserved parking areas unless you have authority to do so (for example, permit-parking areas, handicap parking or temporary drop off/pick up zones).

Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas may be ticketed and/or towed at the owner's expense. Unauthorized areas include emergency access routes and fire lanes.

Park & Ride lots are well-lit, are equipped with emergency call boxes, and have live monitoring via closed-circuit cameras. Park & Ride users can take additional steps to ensure their vehicle is secure. OC Transpo advises you to:

- lock your vehicle, roll up your windows, and remove valuables or store them out of sight;
- keep vehicle and house keys on separate rings and avoid hiding spare keys in your vehicle; and,
- be aware of your surroundings and keep to well-lit areas.

OC Transpo serves more than 5,000 customers a day at 13 Park & Ride lots across the city, and wants to ensure that the lots are safe for all who use them. Users can, at any time, contact the Transit Law Communications Centre at 613-741-2478 to report a security concern.

For further transit information or trip planning, call 613-741-4390 or visit www.octranspo.com.

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