BEGINNING NOVEMBER 9ᵀᴴ, 2020, THE CITY OF SOUTH MIAMI IS MOVING AWAY FROM PAY-BY-SPACE AND IMPLEMENTING PAY-BY-PLATE FOR PARKING

Pay-by-plate is a paperless method for parking payments. It works by using the license plate number on the vehicle, rather than having to enter the space number to confirm that the parking fee has been paid. By using pay-by-phone or a multi-space parking meter near the parking spot, drivers can pay by entering their license plate number and designating the amount of time it will be parked there.

How it Works

When a driver enters their license plate number, it is NOT cross-referenced with police databases for vehicle registrations. No information is captured when someone pays-by-plate at the machine. The parking officers simply check the plates of cars parked in a particular zone to ensure that they have paid, and that the parking session is valid. A driver may pay by phone or application or a multi-space parking meter and leave the car there until departure.

Payment Options

Drivers can pay using the Pay-By-Phone App or phone or at any pay-by-plate multi-space parking meter. All major cards are accepted, and drivers can pay by credit, debit or cash.

License Number

If a driver inputs the incorrect license plate number, they could be subject to a citation. If the plate number in the system is wrong, there is no way to ensure the driver's parking is valid. When the plate number is entered, the machine will display a confirmation screen to show the number and time selected, indicating that the transaction has been finalized.

Parking Time

A driver can go to any pay-by-plate multi-space parking meter within the area or use their Pay-By-Phone App to check how much parking time is left. Parking Customers simply enter their license plate number to check the remaining time or extend the time. Enter the number and follow the on-screen instructions to add payment. A driver can pay for any amount of time that is within the restrictions of your parking zone. If a driver is parked beyond the time restriction, a citation may be warranted.

Receipts

No receipt is necessary unless the driver needs it. The pay-by-plate multi-space parking meter will not automatically issue any. If a person does require a receipt, an e-receipt will be readily available by e-mail.

For more information on pay-by-plate parking enforcement please contact the City of South Miami at 786-309-4268.