

EV Charging Etiquette

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Fast Charging Rules

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Only Charge to 80% on fast charge. The charging rate slows after charging above 80%, so move to a Level 2 (L2) if someone is waiting; it will not take any longer.

Stay with your car. Charging to 80% rarely takes more than 15-20 minutes. Stay in your car (or within sight), so you can move when it has reached 80% and let the next person charge.

General Rules

Charge at home when possible. Rely on public stations only when you need them so they are available for those who do.

Unplug and move when charged. Don't block access to the station when you have finished. Make room for the next driver. Many stations now charge more for extended stays.

Leave a Note. Let others know if you really need to charge to get home (DO NOT UNPLUG), or that you are just adding a bit more just in case (OK TO UNPLUG) along with a number to contact you. www.pluginamerica.org/evcard has a handy template.





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