

Section 1305 - Parking Regulations

1305.01. Prohibitions; stopping, parking. Subdivision 1. General rule. No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device, in the places specified in the following subdivisions:

- Subd. 2. on a sidewalk; curbed or uncurbed boulevards or public walkways;
- Subd. 3. in front of a public or private driveway;
- Subd. 4. within an intersection;
- Subd. 5. within ten feet of a fire hydrant;
- Subd. 6. on a crosswalk;
- Subd. 7. within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
- Subd. 8. within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic-control signal located at the side of a roadway;
- Subd. 9. between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within 30 feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone unless a different length is indicated by signs or markings;
- Subd. 10. within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;
- Subd. 11. within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of said entrance when properly sign-posted;
- Subd. 12. alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
- Subd. 13. on the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- Subd. 14. upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a street or highway or within a street or highway tunnel, except as otherwise provided by this code;
- Subd. 15. at any place where official traffic-control devices prohibit stopping.

1305.03. Moving vehicle by non-owner. No person shall move a vehicle not owned by that person into any prohibited area or away from a curb such distance as is unlawful.

1305.05. Parking house trailers. No person shall, for camping purposes, leave or park a house trailer on or within the limits of any street or highway or on any highway right of way, except where signs are erected designating the place as a camp site. No person shall leave or park a house trailer on a street or highway or the right of way thereof for a longer period than six hours.

1305.07. Traffic officer directions. No person shall stop or park a vehicle on a street or highway when directed or ordered to proceed by any peace officer invested by law with authority to direct, control or regulate traffic.

1305.09. Parking defined. For the purpose of this section relating to limited parking on any street, thoroughfare, highway, avenue, alley, or parking lot, a vehicle moved and re-parked within a distance of not more than 900 feet during the limited parking period is deemed to have remained stationary.

1305.11. Display for sale. No vehicle shall be parked on any street for the purpose of displaying it for sale.

1305.13. On-Street Parking. No vehicle shall be parked upon any street in any one place for a longer continuous period than twenty-four hours. (Amended Ord. No. 89-641, Sec. 1)

1305.15. Fire escape. No person shall park a vehicle so as to block a fire escape or the exit from any building, whether on public or private property.

1305.17. Police order. No person shall park any vehicle where temporary signs are posted reading "No Parking - Police Order", as long as such signs are in place.

1305.19. Fire lane. No person shall park in any area designed as a fire lane.

1305.21. Limited time parking and no parking zones and removal therefrom. The council may by resolution designate limited time parking and no parking zones and pursuant thereto, the police department shall cause the posting and maintenance of appropriate signs at the locations so designated, which signs shall indicate in accordance with the resolution the no parking zones or the specified time limit zones for parking.

1305.23. Removal. A vehicle or other obstruction left parked or standing on a thoroughfare in the city which is posted as a no parking zone or which has exceeded the time limit established and posted for parking, may be towed or otherwise removed by or under the direction of any police officer and whenever such vehicle or other obstruction is thus towed or removed, the expense of such removal, including storage charges shall be charged against and paid by the owner or operator of such vehicle or obstruction. No such removal shall prevent prosecution against the owner or operator for any violation of this section.

1305.25. Existing parking signs. Existing signs which have been posted by direction of the council, engineer, or the chief of police regulating parking of vehicles are properly placed under this section until changed by direction of the council.

1305.27. Parking by entrances of certain buildings. No person shall stop, park, or leave standing any vehicle on any street or highway in the city in front of the entrance to, or exit from, any theater, dance hall, church, hospital, school, or any hotel having 25 or more rooms, for the full width of such entrance or exit during the hours that such buildings are in use by the public. After initial approval by the council, the owner of any such building used for said purposes shall cause to be placed at such entrance or exit, one hour before such building is opened to public use, proper, adequate and visible signs subject to the approval of the chief of police, giving notice to the public of their hours of use of such building. The signs shall be removed when such use by the building ceases.

1305.29. Parking in alleys. No person shall park a vehicle or permit it to stand, whether attended or unattended, upon any alley within the city; provided that this shall not prohibit the parking of such vehicles for less than a period of one hour along any such alley for the purpose of having access to any property abutting thereon for the purpose of loading or unloading merchandise or other material when such access cannot conveniently be secured upon the property itself.

1305.31. Snow removal parking restrictions. No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle on any public thoroughfare in the city after a snowfall of two inches or more in depth until after the snow from such thoroughfare has been removed or plowed to the curb or other thoroughfare boundaries. Any vehicle left standing or parked under such conditions may be removed as hereinafter provided.

1305.33. Removal of vehicle for street maintenance. Whenever the director of public works or any of his assistants shall find it necessary for purposes of facilitating any public thoroughfare construction or maintenance operations such as the removal of snow, ice, street wastes, or other construction or repairs, to remove any vehicle standing on any such public thoroughfare, such director is hereby authorized to move such vehicle as hereinafter provided. (Amended, Ord. No. 89-630, Sec. 1)

1305.35. Removal. Any vehicle or other obstruction left parked or standing on any thoroughfare in the city in violation of this subsection may be removed by or under the direction of any police officer or other authorized city employee. When a vehicle or other obstruction is removed by the city, the expense thereof shall be charged against the owner or operator thereof. No such removal shall prevent prosecution against the owner or operator, or either of them for a violation of this section. (Amended, Ord. No. 89-630, Sec. 2)

1305.37. Operation and parking of vehicles on private parking lots. No person shall operate a motor vehicle on any private parking lots within this city at a speed greater than is safe and reasonable under the conditions of traffic then existing therein, and in no event at a speed exceeding 15 miles per hour. Parking of vehicles on such lots shall conform to any stalls or positions for parking designated on the surface of the parking area and no vehicle shall be parked or allowed to stand in any area of such parking lot which has been designated or is used for a lane for moving traffic so as to interfere with the movement of traffic thereon. The council may authorize the chief of police or engineer to post signs at any entrances to a private parking lot from a public street, which shall designate one-way traffic for entrance or exit, and the driver of any vehicle entering or leaving any such lot shall comply with any one-way signs so posted.

1305.39. Public thoroughfare defined. For purposes of this section the term "public thoroughfare" means any alley, avenue, boulevard, cul-de-sac, highway, pathway, road or street established or existing for use by vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

1305.41. (Repealed, Ord. No. 89-630, Sec. 3)

1305.43. Commercial vehicles. No commercial or industrial motor truck or trailer rated at more than 9000 GVW, and no vehicle designed, used or maintained for the towing of other vehicles or equipment shall be parked, permitted or stored on any platted public residential street except at the premises then requiring immediate loading or unloading or other service at such premises.

1305.45. Parking auto trailers. Subdivision 1. General rule. An auto trailer may not be parked and occupied on any street or alley within the city for a continuous period of more than six hours. No trailer shall be parked and occupied anywhere in the city for a longer period than 24 hours, without first registering the auto trailer with the police chief. Any person desiring to register an auto trailer shall furnish the police department with the name, age, address and occupation of every occupant of the auto trailer, together with information regarding the place where the auto trailer is proposed to be parked, and shall further show that fresh water and toilet facilities will be available to the occupants of the auto trailer at all times of the day and night at a distance of not greater than 150 feet from the place where the auto trailer is proposed to be parked.

Subd. 2. Permit required. Upon the registration of the auto trailer the police chief may issue a permit to park the said auto trailer at the place proposed for a period not to exceed 30 days, provided, however, that not more than two such renewals shall be issued to any auto trailer or auto trailer occupant in any calendar year.

Subd. 3. Form of permit. Information required to be given and furnished by the applicant for a permit shall be written into the permit issued. The giving of false information by an applicant is a violation of this code.

Subd. 4. Private property. No auto trailer shall be parked for any period of time upon any private property without the permission of the owner of the property. For the purpose of this section, the term "private property" includes property owned by the state of Minnesota or any political subdivision of the state.