

## Title 3. Public Safety

### Chapter 7. TRAFFIC

#### Article 13. Parking

##### § 3-7.1301. Prohibited outside Central Traffic District.

No person shall park any vehicle at any time between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sunday upon any street which has been sign posted giving notice of such restriction. The City Manager shall install appropriate signs giving effect to the provisions of this section on streets outside the Central Traffic District where the following standards are found to apply:

- (a) Upon any street or portion thereof where the City Managers determines that the volume of traffic between those hours is so excessive that parking would seriously impede the normal flow of outward bound vehicles traveling from business areas and centers of employment; and
- (b) Upon any street or portion thereof where the posting of such signs has been expressly directed by the Council by ordinance.

The restrictions of this section shall not apply to taxicabs standing in any zone designated for their use pursuant to the provisions of Section **3-7.1210** during the hours specified in their respective permits issued by the City Manager.

(§ 62, Ord. 1539 c.s.)

##### § 3-7.1302. Time limitations.

Whenever, with reference to any street or portion thereof, the City Manager determines either that the same is within a business district or that, because of proximity to a business district or center of employment, or because of an unusual concentration of population, or any other factor or condition, the unrestricted parking of vehicles has caused or would cause traffic congestion or has deprived the public of the economical distribution of the use of available curb space, the City Manager is hereby authorized to direct the installation at any such place signs of the following kinds as a particular circumstance may justify or require:

- (a) One-hour parking. Signs giving notice that no person shall stand or park any vehicle for a period of time longer than one hour between those hours and on those days indicated thereon; or
- (b) Two-hour parking. Signs giving notice that no person shall stand or park any vehicle for a period of time longer than two hours between those hours and on those days indicated thereon; or
- (c) Three-hour parking. Signs giving notice that no person shall stand or park any vehicle for a period of time longer than three hours between those hours and on those days indicated thereon; or
- (d) Four-hour parking. Signs giving notice that no person shall stand or park any vehicle for a period of time longer than four hours between those hours and on those days indicated thereon.

One-hour, two-hour, three-hour, and four-hour parking signs shall indicate that they shall apply only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day, except Sunday, except in cases where the City Manager finds that special traffic conditions or physical circumstances exist which require the signs be made effective at other days or times, in which cases they shall so indicate.

- (e) Tow away. Whenever the City Manager determines that vehicles remain parked thereby exceeding these time limitations, the City Manager may authorize the installation of appropriate signs authorizing tow away. Whenever a street is so designated and notice thereof given any police officer or parking enforcement officer of the City may remove, or cause to be removed, any vehicle which is parked or left standing upon such street, or portion thereof, in excess of the time limitations for parking.

(§ 63, Ord. 1539, as amended by § 1, Ord. 2921 c.s., eff. November 18, 2003)

### § 3-7.1303. Commercial vehicles in residential districts.

No commercial vehicle, as defined in Section **3-7.901** of Article 9 of this chapter, having an "unladen weight", as defined in Section 660 of the Vehicle Code of the State, of 6,000 pounds or more or having a "manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating", as defined in Section 390 of said Vehicle Code, of 10,000 pounds or more shall be parked on any street, or portion thereof, in a residential district. This restriction shall not apply to any commercial vehicle coming from an unrestricted street having ingress and egress by a direct route to and from a restricted street when necessary for the purpose of making pickups or deliveries of goods, wares, and merchandise from or to any building or structure located on the restricted street or for the purpose of delivering materials to be used in the actual and bona fide repair, alteration, remodeling, or construction of any building or structure upon the restricted street for which a building permit has previously been obtained.

(§ 64, Ord. 1539, as amended by § 2, Ord. 1984 c.s., eff. January 1, 1969, § 2, Ord. 2168 c.s., eff. January 21, 1976, § 2, Ord. 2249 c.s., eff. August 23, 1978, and § 1, Ord. 2469 c.s., eff. July 2, 1987)

### § 3-7.1304. Authority of signs.

When authorized signs are in place giving notice thereof, It is unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park any vehicle for any purpose:

- (a) For more than one hour in violation of the instructions of any sign giving notice that parking is limited to one hour;
- (b) For more than two hours in violation of the instruction of any sign giving notice that parking is limited to two hours; or
- (c) For any other period of time in excess of the parking time limit indicated by any other sign installed.

(§ 65, Ord. 1539)

### § 3-7.1305. Prohibited between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

No person shall park any vehicle at any time between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. of any day upon any street or portion thereof when signs are posted giving notice of such restriction. The City Manager shall install appropriate signs giving effect to the provisions of this section:

- (a) Upon any street or portion thereof where he determines that the volume of traffic between those hours is so excessive that parking would seriously impede the normal flow of inward bound vehicles traveling toward business areas and centers of employment; or
- (b) Upon any street or portion thereof where the posting of such signs has been expressly directed by ordinance.

(§ 66, Ord. 1539)

### § 3-7.1306. Prohibited between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

No person shall park any vehicle at any time between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day upon any street or portion thereof when signs are posted giving notice of such restriction. The City Manager shall install appropriate signs giving effect to the provisions of this section:

- (a) Upon any street or portion thereof where he determines that the volume of traffic sustained substantially throughout those hours or during the greater portion of that period is so heavy that parking would substantially interfere with the use of the highway for travel or transportation; or
- (b) Upon any street or portion thereof where the posting of such signs has been expressly directed by ordinance.

(§ 67, Ord. 1539)

### § 3-7.1307. Prohibited.

No person shall park any vehicle at any time upon any street or portion thereof when signs are posted giving notice that parking is prohibited. The City Manager shall install appropriate signs giving effect to the provisions of this section upon any street or portion thereof where he determines that the volume of traffic is so heavy throughout the day and night, or at frequent intermittent periods over a substantial portion thereof, that parking would seriously interfere with travel or transportation; or that because of the narrowness of the street, the unusual location thereof or other special characteristics thereof would create a hazard to life or property or a serious obstruction to vehicular or pedestrian passage.

(§ 68, Ord. 1539)

### § 3-7.1308. Prohibited during various hours.

Whenever authorized signs are in place giving notice that parking is prohibited during such hours or on such days as are indicated on the signs, it is unlawful for any person to park any vehicle at any time during such hours on any such day. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to install appropriate and sufficient signs giving notice that parking is prohibited during the hours or on such days, or both, or on specified days of the month during specified hours as may be indicated on such signs as follows:

- (a) On any street, or portion of a street, where the City Manager shall determine that parking during the times indicated would so seriously impede or obstruct the use of curb space as to effect a substantial deprivation of the beneficial use of abutting property to the public or to the occupants thereof;
- (b) At any place where the City Manager determines that the presence of standing vehicles during the time indicated would so seriously obstruct or impede the movement of traffic as to create a traffic hazard, or result in traffic congestion, or prevent the proper use of the highway for travel, transportation, or the indispensable incidents of travel or transportation;
- (c) On any street, or portion of a street, where the posting of such signs has been expressly directed by ordinance;
- (d) On any street within prescribed districts where parking during the times indicated would so seriously impede and obstruct the efficient cleaning of the City streets by the Street Department as to affect the public health; or
- (e) Upon any street, or portion of a street, contiguous to the frontage of any elementary, junior, or senior high school where it is determined that parking will create a hazard to life or property or a serious obstruction to vehicles or pedestrian passage, with the exception of authorized school buses under contract with the Board of Education.

(§ 69, Ord. 1539)

### § 3-7.1309. Parking on public and private property.

- (a) Prohibited parking. No person, other than a public officer or employee acting within the scope of his employment in the performance of a duty imposed by law, shall park any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, on any private driveway or upon any public or private property, except a highway, without the expressed or implied consent of the owner or person in lawful possession of such driveway or property. Any violation of this subsection shall be an infraction.
- (b) Removal of vehicles from private property. Any removal of a vehicle from private property shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 22658 of the Vehicle Code of the State.
- (c) Removal of vehicles from public property. Whenever the Council, pursuant to Section 21113 of the Vehicle Code of the State, has designated any public property as a no parking, tow away zone and posted signs giving notice thereof, police officers are hereby authorized to remove from such property, to the nearest garage or other place of safety or to a garage or place of safety designated or maintained by the Police Department, any vehicle parked or left standing on such public property.

(§ 70, Ord. 1539, as amended by § 2, Ord. 1987 c.s. eff. January 29, 1969, § 1, Ord. 2402 c.s., eff. October 17, 1984, § 1, Urgency Ord. 2490 c.s., eff. January 19, 1988, and § 1, Ord. 2491 c.s., eff. March 3, 1988)

### § 3-7.1310. All night parking.

- (a) Restricted places authorized. The City Manager is hereby directed and authorized to determine those streets and places where the parking of vehicles between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. is hazardous or likely to cause traffic congestion.
  - (b) Signs. When the City Manager has determined that parking upon a street or place between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. is hazardous or likely to create traffic congestion, he or she is hereby authorized and empowered to place and maintain appropriate signs or markings indicating that parking is prohibited for a period of time longer than 30 minutes between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. of any day.
  - (c) Restricted. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle for a period of time longer than 30 minutes between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. of any day at any place signed or marked pursuant to the provisions of this section.
- (§ 71, Ord. 1539)

### § 3-7.1311. All night parking: Central Traffic District.

No person shall stop, stand or park on any street in the Central Traffic District for a period of time longer than 30 minutes between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. of any day.

(§ 72, Ord. 1539)

### § 3-7.1312. Parking by peddlers and vendors.

(§ 73, Ord. 1539 c.s.; repealed by § 1, Ord. 2702 c.s., eff. September 16, 1993)

### § 3-7.1313. Storage of vehicles on streets and alleys.

It is unlawful for any person who owns or has possession, custody, or control of any vehicle to park such vehicle upon any street or alley for more than 72 hours in the aggregate during any period of 73 consecutive hours. For the purposes of this section, the vehicle shall be considered to have remained parked unless, during any 72 hour period, the vehicle has been moved at least 100 feet from the position it previously occupied, or the odometer on the vehicle exhibits a change of at least two-tenths of one mile. This provision shall not be construed to authorize parking in excess of the regulatory time period otherwise provided in this article and all amendments thereto.

(§ 74, Ord. 1539 c.s., as amended by § 1, Ord. 1828 c.s., eff. April 1, 1964, § 1, Ord. 3033 c.s., eff. March 3, 2009)

### § 3-7.1314. Temporary parking.

- (a) Signs Authorized. Whenever the City Manager shall determine that traffic congestion or hazard is likely to result temporarily at any location from the holding of any public or private assemblage, parade, celebration, function, or event, or from the construction, alteration, or repair of any public or private improvement necessarily affecting traffic movement or traffic conditions, or from some unusual source of danger to life or property from natural causes, such as falling rocks, the slipping of banks, or from flood waters or the like, or from any other natural or artificial cause, he may install signs indicating that the parking, stopping, or standing of any vehicles is prohibited at any such location during such hours or times as the City Manager finds to be necessary in order to prevent such congestion or to afford protection from such a hazard. In cases where congestion would be exceptionally difficult to control or where the evident danger to life or property cannot adequately be met by the restriction of parking, the City Manager may install signs prohibiting the operation of vehicles at such locations altogether until the source of the danger has been eliminated. All signs posted pursuant to this section shall bear the word "Temporary" in addition to the other matter appearing thereon.

- (b) Obedience to Temporary Parking Signs. No person shall drive, operate, or park any vehicle contrary to the instructions of any sign installed by the City Manager pursuant to the provisions of this section.

(§ 75, Ord. 1539 c.s.)

### § 3-7.1315. Emergency rules and signs.

- (a) Emergency Rules Authorized. The City Manager is hereby authorized to adopt rules regulating parking or other uses of vehicles upon the streets and other public ways of travel whenever he deems it necessary to meet an emergency not expressly provided for under any other provision of this chapter; provided, however, in any such case, the order adopting any such rule shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and shall thereupon become effective; and provided, further, no rule so adopted shall remain in force longer than 30 days unless incorporated into an ordinance.
- (b) Emergency Signs Authorized. The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to install such signs as he may deem necessary to give notice of the effect of any such emergency rule at any particular location.
- (c) Obedience to Emergency Rules and Signs. It shall be an infraction for any person to operate, park, or otherwise use any vehicle in violation of any emergency rule adopted and published by the City Manager pursuant to the authority granted by the provisions of this section or in violation of the instructions of any sign installed pursuant to the authority granted by the provisions of this section.

(§ 76, Ord. 1539 c.s., as amended by § 1(22), as amended by § 1(22), Ord. 2844 c.s., eff. November 4, 1999)

### § 3-7.1316. Removal of illegally parked cars.

- (a) Authorized. Police officers are hereby authorized to remove from the streets or highways within the City to the nearest garage or other place of safety, or to a garage or other place of safety designated or maintained by the Police Department, any vehicle which has been parked or left standing on such street or highway for 72 or more consecutive hours.
- (b) Notice of Removal. Whenever a police officer removes a vehicle from a street or highway as authorized in this section and the officer knows or is able to ascertain from the registration records in the vehicle or from the registration record of the Department of Motor Vehicles of the State the name and address of the owner thereof, such police officer shall immediately give, or cause to be given, notice in writing to such owner of the fact of such removal, the grounds thereof, and the place to which such vehicle has been removed. In the event any such vehicle is stored in a public garage, a copy of such notice shall be given to the proprietor of such garage.
- (c) Report of Removal. Whenever a police officer removing a vehicle from a street or highway as authorized in this section does not know and is not able to ascertain the name of the owner, or for any other reason is unable to give notice to the owner as provided, and in the event the vehicle is not returned to the owner within a period of 120 hours, the police officer shall immediately send, or cause to be sent, a written report of such removal by mail to the Department of Motor Vehicles at Sacramento, California, and shall file a copy of such notice with the proprietor of any public garage in which the vehicle may be stored.

(§ 78, Ord. 1539 c.s., as amended by § 1, Ord. 1821 c.s., eff. January 8, 1964, and § 2, Ord. 1828 c.s., eff. April 1, 1964)

### § 3-7.1317. Tow away zones.

Whenever the City Engineer determines, upon the basis of traffic and safety engineering principles, that the limiting or prohibiting of stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on any City street is necessary, he may designate any street, or portion thereof, accordingly and shall install appropriate signs giving notice thereof. He may designate any City street on which vehicles cannot stop and are subject to tow away for violations when appropriate signs are posted giving notice thereof. Whenever a street is so designated and notice thereof given, any police officer or parking enforcement officer of the City may remove, or cause to be removed, any vehicle which is parked or left standing upon such street, or portion thereof.

(§ 1, Ord. 2191 c.s., eff. November 3, 1976)

### § 3-7.1318. Parking of trailers, semitrailers, motor homes, campers, and recreational trailers.

- (a) No person shall park any trailer or semitrailer upon any highway, street, alley, or public way or upon any public place otherwise ordinarily used for vehicular parking unless the trailer or semi-trailer is at all times, while so parked, attached to a vehicle capable of moving the trailer or semitrailer in a normal manner upon the highway, street, alley, or public way.
- (b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any trailer or semitrailer which is:
  - (1) In the process of being loaded or unloaded, but in any instance for a period not to exceed two hours;
  - (2) Disabled in such a manner and to such an extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving the disabled trailer or semitrailer on that portion of the highway, street, alley, or public way or upon any public place otherwise ordinarily used for vehicular parking;
  - (3) Leased or owned by any permittee granted a permit for construction or repair work under any of the provisions of this Code or by a public utility engaged in work for which no such permit is required, or a vehicle leased or owned by any contractor hired by such permittee or public utility, provided the trailer or semitrailer is used in connection with such construction or repair work and is parked upon the construction or repair site, or within 150 feet thereof as measured from the limits of the work area as specified in the permit, and only during the period of the actual construction; or
  - (4) Leased or owned by a City department or a contractor or vendor hired by a City department for construction or repair work, or by a subcontractor thereof, provided such trailer or semitrailer is used in connection with such construction or repair work and is parked upon the construction or repair site, or within 150 feet thereof as measured from the limits of the work area, and only during the period of the actual construction or repair.

(§ 3, Ord. 2249 c.s., eff. August 23, 1978, as amended by § 1, Ord. 2365 c.s., eff. July 27, 1983, and § 1, Ord. 2423 c.s., eff. August 21, 1985)

### § 3-7.1319. No overnight parking or storage.

It is unlawful to park a vehicle, as defined in the Vehicle Code of the State, boat, or trailer continuously for any 24 hour period in any public parking lot as defined in Section 21107.8 of said Vehicle Code. Moving of the vehicle, boat, or trailer within the parking lot or structure or outside the lot with the intent to avoid the effect of this section shall not be deemed to interrupt the continuity or avoid the effect of this regulation. This section shall not apply to commercially licensed vehicles parked in designated commercial zones.

(§ 2, Ord. 2423 c.s., eff. August 21, 1985, as amended by § 1(23), Ord. 2844 c.s., eff. November 4, 1999)

### § 3-7.1320. Restricted parking due to weight.

When authorized signs are in place giving notice, thereof, It is unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park any commercial vehicle as defined by Section **3-7.901** of this Code having an unladed weight as defined in Section 660 of the California Vehicle Code of 6,000 pounds or more or having a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating as defined in Section 390 of the California Vehicle Code of 10,000 pounds or more on any truck route designated by Section **3-7.903** of this Code for more than 90 minutes.

(§ 1, Ord. 2533 c.s., eff. March 23, 1989)

### § 3-7.1321. Restricted parking due to height.

No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle or non motorized vehicle which is seven (7') feet or more in height shall park or leave standing any such vehicle on a street or highway within fifty (50') feet of any intersection of public streets, a public street and a park road, a public street and alley as measured from the prolongation of the curb lines or the edge of the pavement. At any location at which such prohibition is enforced, it shall be indicated by appropriate signs giving notice thereof.

(§ 1, Ord. 3034 c.s., eff. March 3, 2009)