

CHAPTER 69

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(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

69.02 PARKING ON ONE-WAY STREETS. No person shall stand or park a vehicle on the left-hand side of a one-way street other than parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the left-hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as hereinafter provided in the case of angle parking.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

69.03 ANGLE PARKING. Angle or diagonal parking is permitted only in the following locations:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

- NONE -

69.04 MANNER OF ANGLE PARKING. Upon those streets or portions of streets that have been signed or marked for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at an angle to the curb or edge of the roadway or in the center of the roadway as indicated by such signs and markings. No part of any vehicle or the load thereon, when said vehicle is parked within a diagonal parking district, shall extend into the roadway more than a distance of 16 feet when measured at right angles to the adjacent curb or edge of roadway.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

69.05 PARKING FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES ILLEGAL. No person shall park a vehicle upon public property for more than 48 hours, unless otherwise limited under the provisions of this chapter, or for any of the following principal purposes:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])

1. Sale. Displaying such vehicle for sale.
2. Repairing. For lubricating, repairing or for commercial washing of such vehicle except such repairs as are necessitated by an emergency. Where the width of the street is less than 25 feet, no exception will be allowed to make short time emergency repairs.
3. Advertising. Displaying advertising.

4. Merchandise Sales. Selling merchandise from such vehicle except in a duly established market place or when so authorized or licensed under this Code of Ordinances.

69.06 PARKING PROHIBITED. No one shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a peace officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:

1. Crosswalk. On a crosswalk.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[5])
2. Center Parkway. On the center parkway or dividing area of any divided street.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])
3. Mailboxes. Within 20 feet on either side of a mailbox that is so placed and so equipped as to permit the depositing of mail from vehicles on the roadway.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])
4. Sidewalks. On or across a sidewalk.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[1])
5. Driveway. In front of a public or private driveway.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[2])
6. Intersection. Within an intersection or within 10 feet of an intersection of any street or alley.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[3])
7. Fire Hydrant. Within five feet of a fire hydrant.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[4])
8. Stop Sign or Signal. Within 10 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop or yield sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[6])
9. Railroad Crossing. Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing, except when parked parallel with such rail and not exhibiting a red light.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[8])
10. Fire Station. 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.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[9])
11. Excavations. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[10])
12. Double Parking. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[11])
13. Hazardous Locations. When, because of restricted visibility or when standing or parked vehicles would constitute a hazard to moving traffic, or when other traffic conditions require, the Council may cause curbs to be painted with a yellow color and erect no parking or standing signs.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[13])
14. Churches, Nursing Homes and Other Buildings. A space of 50 feet is hereby reserved at the side of the street in front of any theatre, auditorium, hotel having more than 25 sleeping

rooms, hospital, nursing home, taxicab stand, bus depot, church, or other building where large assemblages of people are being held, within which space, when clearly marked as such, no motor vehicle shall be left standing, parked or stopped except in taking on or discharging passengers or freight, and then only for such length of time as is necessary for such purpose.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.360)

15. Alleys. No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than 10 feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic, and no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle within an alley in such a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a vehicle parked in any alley that is 18 feet wide or less, provided that said vehicle is parked to deliver goods or services.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])

16. Ramps. In front of a curb cut or ramp which is located on public or private property in a manner which blocks access to the curb cut or ramp.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[15])

17. Area Between Lot Line and Curb Line. That area of the public way not covered by sidewalk and lying between the lot line and the curb line, where curbing has been installed.

18. In More Than One Space. In any designated parking space so that any part of the vehicle occupies more than one such space or protrudes beyond the markings designating such space.

69.07 MOTOR VEHICLE PARKING AND STORAGE. Motor vehicle parking and storage is not permitted in any front or side yard in any residential, commercial, or industrial zoning district, except as provided in this section.

1. Definitions.

A. “Driveway” is that designated area to provide access from the street to a parking area, an attached or basement garage, carport or detached garage, and shall be surfaced, free of grass and weeds, and maintained with asphaltic concrete, brick, asphaltic macadam, crushed rock or similar method approved by the City.

B. “Hard surface pad” means an area surfaced and maintained with asphaltic concrete, brick, asphaltic macadam, crushed rock or similar method approved by the City.

C. “Motor vehicle” includes automobiles, motorcycles, vans, pickup trucks, similar vehicles and recreational vehicles.

D. “Recreational vehicle” includes bus campers, camper trailers, pickup campers, travel trailers, motor homes, snowmobiles, boats, trailers and similar vehicles. No such recreational vehicle shall be used for living, sleeping or housekeeping purposes while parked or stored except as permitted by this section.

2. Driveways. A motor vehicle may be parked upon a driveway.

3. Front Yard Parking. No more than one recreational vehicle may be parked within a front yard, and only if in operable condition and if parked upon a driveway.

4. Side Yard Parking. Motor vehicles may be parked or stored in any side yard, and such motor vehicle must be parked or stored on a driveway, carport, hard surface pad or enclosed structure.

5. Storage Parking. Recreational vehicles which are not being regularly used or are being stored during the off season may be stored in a front, side, or rear yard or in an inconspicuous location. Recreational vehicles shall not be stored nearer than two feet to any lot line and must be

parked or stored on a driveway, carport, hard surface pas or enclosed structure, and such surface shall be kept free of grass and weeds.

69.08 PARKING OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.

1. It is unlawful to park a boat trailer, utility trailer, or unoccupied motor home, travel trailer, or camping trailer, on any public street, alley or place for a period of time in excess of 48 hours. Upon application to the City Council, emergency or temporary parking for occupied travel trailers, campers and motor homes may be permitted at designated locations on public streets, alleys, or any other public or private place for a three-day period, subject to extended time of up to three days upon reapplication, and subject to any other prohibitions or regulations imposed by traffic and parking ordinances of the City.

2. Occupied recreational vehicles may be parked and occupied on private property no longer than 14 consecutive days of continuously occupying, living in, or using a recreational vehicle, only if the property is already developed, with a maximum of 28 days total in the calendar year. Only one occupied recreational vehicle and one tent shall be allowed at one time on a residential lot. When recreational vehicles are occupied, the property owner shall notify the City Clerk of period of occupancy. If complaints are received by the City arising from the use of a recreational vehicle or tent, the City reserves the right to restrict occupancy of recreational vehicles or tents.

3. Recreational vehicles shall not be used for business purposes in any zoning district.

4. Motor vehicles and trailers of any kind or type without current license plates shall not be parked or stored on any lot other than in a completely enclosed building for a period in excess of 48 hours.

69.09 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PARKING. The following regulations shall apply to the establishment and use of persons with disabilities parking spaces:

1. Establishment. Persons with disabilities parking spaces shall be established and designated in accordance with Chapter 321L of the *Code of Iowa* and Iowa Administrative Code, 661-18. No unauthorized person shall establish any on-street persons with disabilities parking space without first obtaining Council approval.

2. Improper Use. The following uses of a persons with disabilities parking space, located on either public or private property, constitute improper use of a persons with disabilities parking permit, which is a violation of this Code of Ordinances:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.4[2])

A. Use by an operator of a vehicle not displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit.

B. Use by an operator of a vehicle displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit but not being used by a person issued a permit or being transported in accordance with Section 321L.2[1b] of the *Code of Iowa*.

C. Use by a vehicle in violation of the rules adopted under Section 321L.8 of the *Code of Iowa*.

3. Wheelchair Parking Cones. No person shall use or interfere with a wheelchair parking cone in violation of the following:

A. A person issued a persons with disabilities parking permit must comply with the requirements of Section 321L.2A[1] of the *Code of Iowa* when utilizing a wheelchair parking cone.

B. A person shall not interfere with a wheelchair parking cone that is properly placed under the provisions of Section 321L.2A[1] of the *Code of Iowa*.

69.10 NO PARKING ZONES. No one shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any of the following specifically designated no parking zones except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a peace officer or traffic control signal.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])

1. On the east side of Younglove Street, commencing at its intersection with West Railroad Street and running northerly to the intersection of West Tuttle Street, a distance of approximately 250 feet along the east side of Younglove Street. (Loading and unloading for one-half hour in the area is allowed.)
2. On the east side of Sherman Street from the intersection with Railroad Street to the alley between Railroad Street and Tuttle Street.
3. On the east side of Union Street from the intersection with Washington Street to the intersection with Johnson Street.
4. On the south side of Railroad Street from the intersection with Euclid Street and running westerly, a distance of approximately 115 feet along the south side of Railroad Street.

69.11 SNOW REMOVAL. No person shall park, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area during snow removal operations unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has ceased to fall. When any vehicle is left parked for more than 24 hours after a snowfall and the vehicle has been plowed around, a phone call shall be placed to the last known registered owner in an attempt to have the vehicle removed before it is towed. If the vehicle is not removed 24 hours after contact is made or attempted to be made, the vehicle may be towed.

(Code of Iowa, 321.236[1])