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## **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

### **§72.01 STANDING OR PARKING CLOSE TO CURB.**

No person shall stand or park a vehicle in a roadway other than parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the right hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(1978 Code, § 7-1111)

### **§ 72.02 UNATTENDED VEHICLES.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to leave the engine or motor of any motor vehicle running while it is standing parked upon the streets.

(1978 Code, § 7-1112) Penalty, see § 10.99

### **§72.03 REGULATING IMPROPER STARTS, SQUEALING OF TIRES, SPINNING GRAVEL, OR PLACING BLACK TIRE MARKS ON PAVED AREAS.**

- (A) No person shall move a vehicle which is stopped, standing, or parked, unless and until such movement can be made with reasonable safety.
- (B) No person shall cause the tires on a vehicle to squeal, spin or project gravel or other roadway substances, while starting from a stopped position or while the vehicle is moving upon the roadways or public vehicular area of this town, except while attempting to come to an abrupt stop to avoid an accident or object in the roadway or public vehicular area, or the unintentional spinning of tires due to ice, snow or foreign substances on the roadway or public vehicular area.
- (C) No person shall place upon the roadways or public vehicular areas of this town any tire impressions or black tire marks while starting from a stopped position, or while in the act of turning, or while the vehicle is in motion, except when the driver is coming to an abrupt stop or sudden turn to prevent an accident or to avoid striking an object,
- (D) This section shall be enforced by any law enforcement officer having authority and territorial jurisdiction to make an arrest while in the town limits.
- (E) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine of up to \$50 or imprisonment of up to 30 days or both.

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## ***SPECIAL STOPS REQUIRED***

### **§ 72.20 THROUGH STREETS DESIGNATED.**

Those streets and part of streets described in the Traffic Schedules made a part hereof are declared to be through streets for the purpose of this chapter.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1071)

### **§ 72.21 AUTHORITY TO ERECT STOP SIGNS.**

Whenever any ordinance designates and describes a through street, there shall be a stop sign on each and every street intersecting the through street or intersecting portion thereof described and designated as such by any ordinance unless traffic at any intersection is controlled at all times by traffic control signals; provided, however, that at the intersection of 2 through streets or at the intersection of a through street and a heavy traffic street not so designated, stop signs shall be erected at the approaches of either of the streets.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1072)

### **§ 72.22 INTERSECTIONS WHERE STOP REQUIRED.**

The Board may determine and designate intersections where particular hazard exists upon other than through streets and may determine whether vehicles shall stop at 1 or more entrances to any stop intersection and shall erect a stop sign at every place where a stop is required. These places are specified in the Traffic Schedules and are made a part hereof.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1073)

### **§ 72.23 SIGNS TO BEAR THE WORD "STOP,"**

Every sign erected pursuant to this chapter shall bear the word "Stop" in letters not less than 8 inches in height and the signs shall at nighttime be rendered luminous by steady or flashing internal illumination, or by a fixed floodlight projected on the face of the sign, or by efficient reflecting elements on the face of the sign. Every stop sign shall be located as near as practicable at the nearest line of the crosswalk on the side of the intersection or, if none, at the nearest line of the roadway.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1074)

### **§ 72.24 VEHICLES TO STOP AT STOP SIGNS.**

- (A) Except when directed to proceed by a police officer or traffic control signal, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop intersection described in the Traffic Schedules or a through street where stops are required under the Traffic Schedules and indicated by a stop sign shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or, in the event there is no crosswalk, shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, or, if known then, at the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the

driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway before entering the intersection.

- (B) The driver having stopped in obedience to a stop sign at an intersection shall proceed cautiously yielding the right-of-way to all vehicles not so obliged to stop which are approaching the intersection.

(1978 Code, § 7-1075)

### ***STOPPING, STANDING, OR PARKING PROHIBITED IN SPECIFIED PLACES***

#### **§ 72.35 STOPPING STANDING, OR PARKING PROHIBITED; NO SIGNS REQUIRED.**

- (A) No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:
  - (1) On a sidewalk;
  - (2) In front of a public or private driveway;
  - (3) Within an intersection;
  - (4) Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
  - (5) On a crosswalk;
  - (6) Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
  - (7) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway;
  - (8) 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 signs or markings indicate a different length;
  - (9) Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;
  - (10) Within 30 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 the entrance (when properly sign-posted);
  - (11) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
  - (12) On a roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;

(13) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;

(14) At any place where official signs prohibit stopping.

(B) No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his or her control into any prohibited area or away from a curb any distance as is unlawful.

(1978 Code, § 7-1121)

**§ 72.36 PARKING NOT TO OBSTRUCT TRAFFIC.**

No person shall park any vehicle upon a street, other than an alley, in a manner or under any conditions as to leave available less than 10 feet of the width of the roadway for free movement of vehicular traffic.

(1978 Code, § 7-1122)

**§ 72.37 PARKING IN ALLEYS.**

No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in a manner or under any 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 a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property.

(1978 Code, § 7-1123)

**§ 72.38 STANDING OR PARKING FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES PROHIBITED.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to stand or park a vehicle upon any street of the town for the principal purposes of:

(A) Displaying for sale;

(B) Washing, greasing or repairing such vehicle, except repairs made necessary by a bona fide emergency;

(C) Storing by garages, dealers or other persons when the storing is not incident to the bona fide use and operation of the automobile or other vehicle; and

(D) Storing of any detached trailer or van when the towing unit has been disconnected or for the purpose of transferring merchandise or freight from 1 vehicle to another.

(1978 Code, § 7-1124) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.39 NO STOPPING, STANDING, OR PARKING NEAR HAZARDOUS OR CONGESTED PLACES.**

When official signs are erected at hazardous or congested places, no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle in any designated place.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1125)

**§ 72.40 STOPPING, STANDING, OR PARKING FOR PRIMARY PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING PROHIBITED.**

No person shall stand, or park, on any street any vehicle for the primary purpose of advertising.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1126)

***STOPPING FOR LOADING OR UNLOADING ONLY***

**§ 72.55 LOADING AND UNLOADING ZONES.**

Whenever vehicle loading and unloading zones are designated and described by this chapter and when signs are placed, erected or installed, giving notice thereof, it shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park any vehicle for any purpose or period of time except in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1131)

**§ 72.56 LOADING ZONES FOR FREIGHT AND GOODS.**

The streets, or parts thereof, described in the Traffic Schedules incorporated herein are designated as freight loading and unloading zones, and no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle therein during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for any purpose other than the expeditious loading or unloading of freight, equipment, or other goods and then only for a period not to exceed 1 hour.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1132)

**§ 72.57 PUBLIC CARRIER STOPS AND STANDS.**

Bus stands, taxicab stands and stands for other passenger common-carrier motor vehicles, designated by appropriate signs, shall be as specified in the Traffic Schedules made a part hereof. No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop, or other than a taxicab in a taxicab stand when any stop has been officially designated and appropriately signed, except that the driver of a passenger vehicle may temporarily stop therein for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when stopping does not interfere with any bus or taxicab waiting to enter or about to enter the zone.  
(1978 Code, § 7-1133)

***STOPPING, STANDING, OR PARKING RESTRICTED OR  
PROHIBITED ON CERTAIN STREETS***

**§ 72.70 APPLICATION.**

The provisions of this subchapter prohibiting the standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times or at those times herein specified or as indicated on official signs, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.

(1978 Code, § 7-1141)

**§ 72.71 PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS.**

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the streets described in Traffic Schedules made a part hereof.

(1978 Code, § 7-1142)

**§ 72.72 PARKING TIME LIMITED ON CERTAIN STREETS.**

When signs are erected in each block giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than the times specified within the district or upon any of the streets described in the Traffic Schedules made a part hereof.

(1978 Code, § 7-1143)

**§ 72.73 PARKING SIGNS REQUIRED.**

Whenever by this subchapter or any other provision any parking time limit is imposed or parking is prohibited in designated streets there shall be appropriate signs giving notice thereof and no regulations shall be effective unless the signs are erected and in place at the time of any alleged offense.

(1978 Code, § 7-1144)