

CHAPTER 71: PARKING REGULATIONS

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§ 71.01 PARKING PROHIBITED IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS; NO TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES REQUIRED.

(A) No person may park any vehicle or permit it to stand in any of the following locations:

- (1) As provided in G.S. § 20-162, in front of a private driveway;
- (2) As provided in G.S. § 20-162, within 15 feet of either direction of a fire hydrant (whether or not located in a public right of way) or the entrance to a fire station;
- (3) As provided in G.S. § 20-162, within 15 feet of the intersection of curb lines, or if none, then within 15 feet of the intersection of property lines at an intersection of highways;
- (4) Within an intersection or on a marked crosswalk;
- (5) Within 30 feet of any traffic control signal or device installed at an intersection, regardless of whether the vehicle is located within or outside of the public right-of-way;
- (6) On a sidewalk or on the space between the sidewalk and the curb;
- (7) No person shall stop or park a vehicle on any street so as to impede traffic; especially the quick and timely response of any emergency vehicle. IMPEDE means to

require a reasonable and prudent operator of a motor vehicle to deviate from the normal path of travel;

(8) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped, standing or parked at the edge of a curb or street;

(9) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when parking or standing would obstruct traffic;

(10) Upon any bridge, overpass or other elevated structure or within any tunnel or other underpass structure;

(11) Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;

(12) In any alley or private road in a manner or under conditions so as to leave available less than 10 feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular travel or to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property;

(13) In any parking space clearly marked as reserved for the handicapped, whether on public or private property, unless the driver of or a passenger in the vehicle is handicapped, as set forth in Ch. 74, Sch. I;

(14) No person shall stop or park a vehicle in any areas so designated as a fire lane;

(15) No person shall stop or park a vehicle in front of any driveway;

(16) No person shall park any vehicle on the left side of any street while that parked vehicle is facing traffic; and

(17) No person shall park any single vehicle in such a manner that it occupies or impedes more than one designated parking space.

(B) Nothing in this or any section of the parking ordinance shall apply to emergency response vehicles and public works vehicles. operating in the course of duty.

(C) The Administrator may install no parking signs, yellow curb markings or other traffic control devices to indicate where parking and standing is prohibited as stated in division (A) above, but enforcement of the provisions of this section is not dependent on the installation of the devices.

(1981 Code, § 6-23) (Am. Ord. passed 5-22-2006) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.02 CERTAIN STREETS; CERTAIN TIMES; PARKING PROHIBITED.

(A) Whenever, pursuant to division (B) below, the Administrator has installed signs, yellow pavement markings or other traffic control devices clearly indicating that parking or standing within a specified area is prohibited, or is allowed only at certain times or for a certain duration, no person may park any vehicle or permit it to stand contrary to the directions of those traffic control devices.

(B) The Administrator shall install no-parking signs, yellow curb markings or traffic control devices to indicate that parking and standing is prohibited under the circumstances and at the locations set forth in Ch. 74, Sch. II.

(1981 Code, § 6-24) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.03 PARKING PROHIBITED FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

No person may park any vehicle or permit it to stand upon any street for any of the following principal purposes:

(A) Displaying it for sale, except foreclosure and judicial sales;

(B) Washing, greasing, changing tires or repairing a vehicle, except to the extent necessitated by an emergency;

(C) Storing it; or

(D) Advertising.

(1981 Code, § 6-25) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.04 PARKING CLOSE TO CURB; MARKED SPACES.

(A) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, no person may park a vehicle or permit it to stand in a roadway other than parallel with the edge of the roadway, within 18 inches to the curb or the edge of the roadway, facing the lawful direction of traffic.

(B) The Administrator may mark any street where parking is permitted with lines that indicate the parking space for vehicles, and no person may park any vehicle outside the lines.

(1981 Code, § 6-26) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.05 ANGLE PARKING.

(A) Whenever, pursuant to division (B) below, pavement markings have been installed to indicate that angle parking is permitted, no person may park or permit a vehicle to stand within an area so marked unless the vehicle is located entirely within a marked space.

(B) Parking at an angle of approximately 45 degrees to the curb shall be allowed at the locations set forth in Ch. 74, Sch. III, and the Administrator shall mark the pavement at those areas to indicate that only angle parking is permitted.

(1981 Code, § 6-27) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.06 GENERAL LOADING AND UNLOADING.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, whenever streets or portions of streets are designated as vehicle loading and unloading zones in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, parking and standing are permitted in those locations, but only in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

(1981 Code, § 6-30)

§ 71.07 SCHOOL LOADING ZONES.

(A) Whenever a school loading zone is designated and clearly marked by traffic control devices in accordance with division (B) below, no person may park any vehicle or permit it to stand in any like zone for any purpose other than the expeditious loading or unloading of school passengers, and then only for a period not to exceed 10 minutes.

(B) The Council finds that a school loading zone is necessary in the locations set forth in Chapter 73, Sch. XIV to permit children and other passengers to be loaded and unloaded from vehicles in safety, and the Administrator shall install appropriate traffic control devices to give clear notice that parking or standing within the locations specified therein is limited to 10 minutes.

(1981 Code, § 6-31) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.08 COMMERCIAL LOADING ZONES.

(A) Whenever a commercial loading zone is designated and marked by traffic control devices in accordance with division (B) below, no person may park any vehicle there or permit it to stand in any like zone for any purpose other than the expeditious loading or pickup of materials and goods, or unloading and delivery, and then only for a period not to exceed 30 minutes.

(B) The Council finds that a commercial loading and unloading zone is necessary in the locations set forth in Ch. 74, Sch. IV to accommodate the needs of adjacent businesses and enterprises, and that the zone is consistent with the necessary free flow of traffic and the public safety, and the Administrator shall install appropriate traffic control devices to give clear note that parking or standing is limited to 30 minutes.

(1981 Code, § 6-32) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.09 PUBLIC CARRIER LOADING ZONES.

(A) Whenever a bus stop or taxicab stand is designated and marked by traffic control devices in accordance with division (B) below, no person may park any vehicle other than a bus or a taxicab, respectively, in any zone so designated and marked.

(B) The Council finds that a bus stop or taxicab stand is necessary in a particular location to accommodate the needs of those requiring access to a public carrier, and that the zone is consistent with the necessary free flow of traffic and the public safety, and the Administrator shall install appropriate traffic control devices to give clear notice that parking or standing by vehicles other than buses and taxicabs, respectively, is prohibited within the locations set forth in Chapter 73, Sch. XIV.

(C) The operator of a bus shall not stop the vehicle upon any street or at any place for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or their baggage except at a bus stop designated in accordance with this section.

(1981 Code, § 6-33) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.99 PENALTY.

(A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no specific penalty is prescribed shall be subject to § 10.99.

(B) Any violation of the following sections shall subject the offender to a civil penalty of \$20, or as otherwise noted in the current Liberty Fee Schedule: §§ 71.01, (except § 71.01(A)(13), (14), (15), (16) and (17)), 71.02 through 71.09.

(C) Any violation of § 71.01(A)(13), (14), (15), (16) and (17) shall subject the offender to a civil penalty of \$50, or as otherwise noted in the current Liberty Fee Schedule.

(D) If the offender fails to pay the penalty within 10 days after being cited for a violation and notified of the penalty, then the Administrator shall cause a civil action to be filed to collect penalties and costs for violations of these sections.

(1981 Code, § 6-43) (Am. Ord. passed 5-22-2006)