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**69.01 PARK ADJACENT 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 eighteen (18) inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as hereinafter provided in the case of angle parking and vehicles parked on the left-hand side of one-way streets.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

**69.02 PARK ADJACENT TO CURB - ONE-WAY STREET.** 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 eighteen (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 DIAGONAL PARKING.** Angle or diagonal parking is permitted only in the following locations:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

1. Fourth Street from Second Avenue to "C" Avenue;
2. Fifth Street, on the south side, from Third Avenue to Second Avenue;
3. Fifth Street from Second Avenue to "A" Avenue;
4. Second Avenue, on the west side, from Second Street to Fourth Street;  
(Ord. 980 - Jul. 10 Supp.)
5. Second Avenue from Fourth Street to Sixth Street;

6. First Avenue from Third Street to Sixth Street;
7. "A" Avenue, on the east side, from Fourth Street to Third Street;  
(Ord. 750 - Jul. 98 Supp.)
8. Fifteenth Street, on the south side, from "B" Avenue to "A" Avenue;
9. Third Street, on the south side, from First Avenue to Second Avenue;
10. "B" Avenue, on the west side, from Fourteenth Street to Fifteenth Street;
11. Second Street, on the south side, from First Avenue to "A" Avenue;
12. "B" Avenue, on the east side, from Fourth Street to a point one hundred fifty (150) feet north of Fourth Street;
13. Park Drive, starting 20 feet west of 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue and continuing for 170 feet.  
(Ord. 990 - Sep. 11 Supp.)

69.04 ANGLE PARKING - MANNER. Upon those streets or portions of streets which 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 parked within a diagonal parking district, shall extend into the roadway more than a distance of sixteen (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 and/or trailer upon public property for any of the following principal purposes:

(Ord. 959 - Dec. 08 Supp.)

(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;
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;

5. Storage. Storage for more than twenty-four (24) hours.

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 at an intersection.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236 [1] & 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 twenty (20) feet on either side of a mailbox which 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, or within ten (10) feet of an intersection of any street or alley.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358 [3])
7. Fire Hydrant. Within five (5) feet of a fire hydrant.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358 [4])
8. Stop Sign or Signal. Within ten (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 fifty (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 twenty (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 seventy-five (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. Theaters, Hotels and Auditoriums. A space of not to exceed fifty (50) feet is hereby reserved at the side of the street in front of any theater, auditorium, hotel having more than twenty-five (25) sleeping rooms, or other buildings 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.

*(Ord. 799 – Mar. 00 Supp.)*

(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 ten (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 shall not apply to a vehicle parked in any alley which is eighteen (18) feet wide or less; provided 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. **Parking or Terrace.** Upon the parking or terrace, designated as that area between the property line and the back of the curb, where curbing has been installed, in residential districts. *(Ord. 767 – Feb-99 Supp.)*

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

1. **Nonresidential Off-street Facilities.** Nonresidential off-street parking facilities shall set aside persons with disabilities parking spaces in accordance with the following:

A. Municipal off-street public parking facilities or an entity providing nonresidential parking in off-street public parking facilities shall provide not less than two percent (2%) of the total parking spaces in each parking facility as persons with disabilities parking spaces, rounded to the nearest whole number of persons with disabilities parking spaces. However, such parking facilities having ten (10) or more parking spaces shall set aside at least one persons with disabilities parking space.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.5[3a])

B. An entity providing off-street nonresidential public parking facilities shall review the utilization of existing persons with disabilities parking spaces for a one-month period not less than once every twelve months. If upon review, the average occupancy rate for persons with disabilities parking spaces in a facility exceeds sixty percent (60%) during normal business hours, the entity shall provide additional persons with disabilities parking spaces as needed.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.5[3b])

C. An entity providing off-street nonresidential parking as a lessor shall provide a persons with disabilities parking space to an individual requesting to lease a parking space, if that individual possesses a persons with disabilities parking permit issued in accordance with Section 321L.2 of the Code of Iowa.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.5[3c])

D. A new nonresidential facility in which construction has been completed on or after July 1, 1991, providing parking to the general public shall provide persons with disabilities parking spaces as stipulated below:

TOTAL PARKING SPACES IN LOT	REQUIRED MINIMUM NUMBER OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PARKING SPACES
10 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 150	5
151 to 200	6
201 to 300	7
301 to 400	8
401 to 500	9
501 to 1000	*
1001 and over	**

\*Two percent (2%) of total  
 \*\*Twenty (20) spaces plus one for each 100 over 1000

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.5[3d])

2. Residential Buildings and Facilities. All public and private buildings and facilities, temporary and permanent, which are residences and which provide ten (10) or more tenant parking spaces, excluding extended health care facilities, shall designate at least one persons with disabilities parking space as needed for each individual dwelling unit in which a persons with disabilities person resides. Residential buildings and facilities which provide public visitor parking of ten (10) or more spaces shall designate persons with disabilities parking spaces in the visitors parking area in accordance with the table contained in subsection (1)(D) of this section.

(IAC, 661-18.7[321L])

3. Business District. With respect to any on-street parking areas provided by the City within the business district, not less than two percent (2%) of the total parking spaces within each business district shall be designated as persons with disabilities parking spaces. For purposes of this subsection, "business district" means the territory contiguous to and including the following designated streets:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.5[4a])

- A. Fourth Street from the east side of "C" Avenue to the east side of Second Avenue;
- B. Fifth Street from the east side of "C" Avenue to the east side of Second Avenue;
- C. "B" Avenue from Third Street to Sixth Street;
- D. "A" Avenue from Third Street to Sixth Street;
- E. First Avenue from Third Street to Sixth Street;
- F. Second Avenue from Third Street to Sixth Street.

4. Other Spaces. Any other person may set aside persons with disabilities parking spaces on the person's property provided each parking space is clearly and prominently designated as a persons with disabilities parking space. No person shall establish any on-street persons with disabilities parking spaces without first obtaining Council approval.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.5[3e])

5. 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.

6. 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 which is properly placed under the provisions of Section 321L.2A (1) of the Code of Iowa.

*(Subsections 5 & 6 - Ord. 814 - Oct. 00 Supp.)*

69.08 PARKING LIMITED OR CONTROLLED. Parking of vehicles shall be controlled or limited where so indicated by designated traffic control devices in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code. No person shall stop, park or stand a vehicle in violation of any such posted parking regulations unless in compliance with the directions of a peace officer.

69.09 TRUCK PARKING LIMITED. No person shall park a motor truck, truck tractor with or without trailer attached, semi-trailer, camper or motor home, or other motor vehicle with trailer attached in violation of the following regulations. The provisions of this section shall not apply to pickup, light delivery or panel delivery trucks; or permitted emergency or temporary parking in Section 121.19.6.F.(1) for travel trailers, campers and motor homes. *(Ord. 763 – Feb-99 Supp.)*  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236 [1])

1. Business District. Excepting only when such vehicles are actually engaged in the delivery or receiving of merchandise or cargo within the prohibited area, no person shall park or leave unattended such vehicle on any streets in the business or residential districts having a roadway of less than twenty-six (26) feet in width, and no person shall park or leave unattended such vehicle on any of the other streets in the business or residential districts for a continuous period of more than two (2) hours. When actually receiving or delivering merchandise or cargo such vehicle shall be stopped or parked in a manner which will not interfere with other traffic.

2. Noise. No such vehicle shall be left standing or parked upon any street, alley, public or private parking lot in a residential district between the hours of nine o'clock (9:00) p.m. and seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. with the engine, auxiliary engine, air compressor, refrigerating equipment or other device in operation giving off audible sounds.

3. Livestock. No such vehicle containing livestock shall be parked on any street, alley or highway for a period of time of more than thirty (30) minutes.

69.10 SNOW REMOVAL. No person shall park, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle and/or trailer on any designated snow route or 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. *(Ord. 959 – Dec. 08 Supp.)*

(Code of Iowa, 321.236[1])

69.11 FIRE LANES. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle, except authorized emergency vehicles, on any private road or driveway which has been designated as a fire lane.

69.12 PARKING SIGNS REQUIRED. Whenever by this chapter or any other section of this Code of Ordinances any parking time limit is imposed or parking is prohibited on designated streets or portions of streets it shall be the duty of the Council to erect or cause to be erected appropriate signs in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code giving notice thereof, and no such regulations shall be effective unless signs are erected and in place at the time of any alleged offense. When the signs are so erected giving notice thereof, no person shall disobey the restrictions stated on such signs.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.255 & 321.256)

69.13 CONTROLLED ACCESS FACILITIES. Parking restrictions on controlled access facilities are as specified in Chapter 180 of this Code of Ordinances.

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