## CHAPTER 12 Off Street Parking

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- (a) OFF STREET PARKING REQUIRED: Off-street vehicle parking space shall be provided for buildings and uses as hereinafter specified. Such parking shall be reasonably adjacent to the use or building served; be intended specifically to serve the residents, patrons, or employees of said use or building; and the required number of spaces must be demonstrably usable and accessible for such purpose.
- (b) APPLICATION TO EXISTING USES: The provision of parking space shall not be required for legally existing uses as of the date of this ordinance, but shall be required for any expansion for such use by the addition of new primary floor area or other spatial expansion of building or use generating new parking demand.
- (c) DETERMINATION OF NEED: The number of parking areas required shall be based upon the anticipated parking demand of individual uses and shall be as follows or as may be designated hereinafter for specific uses or situations as per Plan Commission approval. In any case of structures or uses not mentioned, the provision for a use which is similar shall apply:

Use	Parking Requirements	
Single Family Dwelling and Mobile Homes	2 spaces per dwelling unit	
Two-Family and Multi-Family Dwellings	2 spaces per dwelling unit	
Hotels and Motels	1 space for each guest room plus 1 stall for each 3 employees	
Colleges, Secondary, and Elementary Schools	1 stall for each 2 employees plus a reasonable number of stalls for student and other parking	
Hospitals, Clubs, Lodges, Sororities, Dormitories, Lodginghouses, and Boardinghouses	1 stall for each 2 beds plus 1 stall for each 3 employees	
Rest Homes, Nursing Homes, Sanitariums, and Institutions	1 stall for each 5 beds plus 1 stall for each 3 employees	
Medical and Dental Clinics	3 stall for doctor plus 1 stall for each employee	
Churches, Theatres, Auditoriums, Community Centers, Vocational and Night Schools, and Other Places of Public Assembly	1 stall for each 5 seats	
Restaurants, Bars, Places of Entertainment, Repair Shops, Retail and Service Stores	1 stall for each 150 square feet of floor area	
Manufacturing and Processing Plants, Laboratories and Warehouses	1 stall for each 2 employees during any 12-hour period	
Financial Institutions, Business, Governmental and Professional Offices	1 stall for each 300 square feet of floor area	
Funeral Homes	1 stall for each 4 seats	
Bowling Alleys	5 stalls for each alley	

#### (d) STANDARD DIMENSIONS:

- (1) Parking stalls shall be no less than nine (9) feet in width and not less than 180 square feet in area exclusive of the space required for ingress and egress.
- (2) Drive aisles shall be a minimum of 24 feet in width for two-way traffic and 12-feet in width for one-way traffic on sites. Fire Code requirements may apply above these stated drive aisle requirements in some cases.
- (e) AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT: Adequate parking stalls shall be made available for disabled persons per federal and state requirements.
- (f) LOCATION: Location of parking areas shall be on the same lot as the principal use and not over four hundred (400) feet from the principal use.
- (g) SURFACING: Any driveway or off-street parking area (other than that provided for a residence) shall be hard surfaced or maintained in a reasonably dustless condition by dust-proofing applications. The method of surfacing shall be approved by the Plan Commission.
- (h) CURBS: Curbs or barriers shall be installed so as to prevent parked vehicles from extending over any lot lines. The extent of curbing need on a given parking lot shall be approved by the Plan Commission.
- (i) SCREENING: Any off-street parking area, other than that provided for a residence, which abuts or faces a residence district shall provide a planting screen, landscaped fence, or wall, at least four (4) feet in height along the side abutting or fronting on a residence district (Subject to Planning Commission discretion for unique situations). Plans for such screen shall be submitted to the Plan Commission for approval prior to installation.
- (j) PARKING SETBACKS:
  - (1) In any residential district no vehicle shall be allowed to park closer nor shall any drive be permitted closer than five (5) feet to the abutting residential lot line and the parking of a vehicle must be on a hard surface of compacted gravel or concrete/asphalt.

District	Setback from Right-of-Way	Setback from Side & Rear Property Lines
Residential	0 ft	5 ft
Multi Family		
-Residential	15 ft	15 ft
Commercial	15 ft	0 ft
Manufacturing	15 ft	0 ft
Park/Institutional	15 ft	15 ft

### Off-Street Parking Setbacks by District:

(2) In any off-street parking area for a commercial use, no vehicle shall be allowed to park closer nor shall any drive be permitted closer than fifteen (15) feet to an abutting residential district (Subject to Planning Commission discretion for unique situations and approved

screening methods).

- (h) DRIVEWAY ACCESS:
  - (1) Adequate access to a public street shall be provided for each parking area, and driveways shall be at least ten (10) feet wide for one- and two-family dwellings and a minimum of twenty-four (24) feet for all other uses.
  - (2) No direct access shall be permitted to the existing or proposed rights-of-way of expressways, freeways or interstate highways, nor to any other road, street or highway, without permission of the authority maintaining the facility.
  - (3) Vehicle entrances and exits to drive-in theaters, banks, and restaurants; motels; funeral homes; vehicular sales, service, washing and repair stations; garages; or public parking lots shall be not less than two hundred (200) feet from any pedestrian entrance or exit to a school, college, university, church, hospital, park, playground, library, public emergency shelter or place of public assembly.
  - (4) Adjacent residential uses may agree to establish a common driveway. In such cases, the driveway midpoint should be the property line between the two (2) parcels; however, the precise location of such driveway will be determined by the jurisdictional authority. The driveway must meet standard specifications and the landowner(s) shall record cross access agreements to ensure continued use, upkeep and maintenance of the combined access points.
  - (5) Cross access to and between neighboring properties shall be implemented wherever possible. The goal in this requirement is to remove as much incidental, site-to-site traffic from adjacent roads as practical thus reducing the possibility of traffic conflicts and accidents. Cross access may be achieved by the interconnection of parking lots or the construction of a separate drive. Sharing of access to state and county trunk highways by commercial or industrial land uses may also be permitted. Such shared access shall have the approval of the county highway department or state department of transportation, depending upon jurisdiction. A cross access agreement shall be recorded by all landowners utilizing such shared access. Such shared access must meet standard specifications.
  - (6) Access drives to principal structures which traverse wooded, steep, or open fields shall be constructed and maintained to a width and base material depth sufficient to support access by emergency vehicles. All driveways shall have a minimum width of twelve (12) feet with road strength capable of supporting emergency and fire vehicles, in compliance with any Village standards.

### (i) RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS:

- (1) Parking of vehicles accessory to a residential use on private property shall be limited to those actually used by the residents or for temporary parking for guests. Vans or pickup trucks used for private and recreational use, or a motor home (recreational vehicle), or a van or pickup truck used in a business or trade and commercial vehicle used for transportation to and from a place of employment or workplace of the occupant may be parked on a residential property subject to the requirements of this Section.
- (2) Commercial Vehicles of not over 10,000 lbs may be parked on private property, providing all of the following conditions are met: vehicle is registered and licensed; used by a resident of the premises; gross weight does not exceed ten thousand (10,000) pounds, including any load; height does not exceed nine (9) feet as measured from ground level, excluding antennas, air vents, and roof-mounted air conditioning units, but including any load, bed, or box; and total vehicle length does not exceed twenty-six (26) feet, including attachments thereto (such as plows, trailers, etc.) unless approved through a conditional use permit.

- Recreational vehicles parked on private property in residentially zoned districts (all R designations) must maintain a minimum of a five-foot setback from the rear and side lot lines but are not restricted to a minimum setback to the principal structure. If parked in the street yard, the recreational vehicle must be parked on the driveway or on an improved surface such as asphalt, concrete, or compacted gravel. For the purpose of this section, recreational vehicles shall include boats and trailers, snowmobiles and their trailers, minibikes or trailbikes and their trailers, and unoccupied tent campers and travel trailers, all-terrain vehicles and personal watercraft and their trailers.
  a. Utility trailers and recreational vehicles parked on residential parcels less than
  - Utility trailers and recreational vehicles parked on residential parcels less than five acres cannot exceed 32 feet in length (not including trailer tongue and hitch) and 13 feet in height. For residential parcels five acres or greater, trailers and recreational vehicles shall not exceed 37 feet in length (not including tongue and hitch) and 13 feet in height.
- (4) Vehicles, trailers, and recreational vehicles shall be parked either within an enclosed attached garage or detached accessory structure or on an improved surface such as: asphalt; concrete; or compacted gravel. Improved surfaces,:

-]P including driveways, that cover more than fifty percent (50%) of a residential street yard is prohibited.

- (5) No other vehicular equipment of a commercial or industrial nature, except as stated above, shall be parked or stored for more than two (2) consecutive hours and four (4) accumulated hours during any twenty-four-hour period on any lot in any zoning district except business and industrial districts or as permitted by an approved conditional use or in the A-1 district.
- (6) Outdoor parking of one semi-tractor or dump truck is permitted in Residential Districts if the parcel is greater than one (1) acre and has direct access to a Class A Highway (e.g. STH 31, STH 32). Outdoor parking of semi-tractor trailers in residential districts is prohibited.
- (7) A gathering, not to exceed 24 hours at any one time, which results in the parking of vehicles or trailers not on an approved surface be exempt from these parking limits for a 24-hour period.

### (j) NON-RESIDENTIAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS

- (1) Outdoor parking of semi-tractors/trailers and/or dump trucks on commercial property (B-districts), that is not a principal use (e.g., truck sales), an accessory use (e.g., delivery vehicles), or which has not been approved through the conditional use or site plan review process is prohibited.
- (n) OCCUPATION OF PARKED VEHICLES PROHIBITED: No Camping Trailer or Recreational Vehicle shall be used for the purpose of habitation in the Village.
- (o) USES NOT ENUMERATED: In any case where there is question as to the parking requirements for a use or where such requirements are not specifically enumerated, such case shall brought before the Plan Commission, which shall have the authority to determine the appropriate application of the parking requirements to the specific situation.