

2405 STOPPING, STANDING, OR PARKING PROHIBITED:

NO SIGN REQUIRED

2405.1 No person shall stop, stand, or park a motor vehicle or trailer in any of the following places, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, in compliance with law, or at the direction of a police officer or traffic control device:

- (a) Within an intersection;
- (b) On a crosswalk;
- (c) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
- (d) Upon any bridge, viaduct, or other elevated structure, freeway, highway tunnel, or ramps leading to or from such structures, or within a highway tunnel;
- (e) On any median, channelizing island, or safety zone, whether made of concrete, grass, or other material and with curbs or otherwise delineated by solid yellow or white lines;
- (f) In any driveway, alley entrance, or other way when stopping, standing or parking would obstruct the flow of pedestrians or other lawful traffic upon any sidewalk;
- (g) In a bicycle lane; or
- (h) On the sidewalk.

2405.2 No person shall stand or park a motor vehicle or trailer, whether occupied or not, in any of the following places (including for the purpose of loading or unloading materials), except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or at the direction of a police officer, traffic control sign, or signal; provided, that a vehicle may stop momentarily to pick up or discharge a passenger or passengers:

- (a) In front of or within five feet (5 ft.) of an alley, public driveway, or private driveway;
- (b) Within ten feet (10 ft.) of a fire hydrant;

- (c) Except as provided in § 2411.21 of this title, within forty feet (40 ft.) of the intersection of curb lines of intersecting streets or within twenty-five feet (25 ft.) of the intersection of curb lines on the far (non-approach) side of a one-way street; except that trucks vending ice cream shall park curbside when stopping to make a sale, as close as possible to a pedestrian cross-walk without entering the intersection, and without unduly interfering with the flow of traffic;
- (d) Within twenty-five feet (25 ft.) of the approach side of any “STOP” or “YIELD” sign located at the side of the roadway;
- (e) Within fifty feet (50 ft.) of a railroad crossing;
- (f) Within twenty feet (20 ft.) of a fire station driveway entrance;
- (g) In or on any street or roadway when such parking will reduce the width of the open roadway to less than ten feet (10 ft.);
- (h) In front of any barricade or sign that has been placed for the purpose of closing the street; or
- (i) In a fire lane located on public or private space.

2405.3

No person shall park a motor vehicle or trailer, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading of passengers or freight in any of the following places:

- (a) On the public parking between the sidewalk space and the building line, except parking shall be permitted on public parking at those locations designated under this title and at locations authorized by permit and upon payment of rent;
- (b) Between a safety zone or channelizing island and the adjacent curb or within ninety feet (90 ft.) of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone or channelizing island unless otherwise indicated by official signs;
- (c) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- (d) Within twenty-five feet (25 ft.) of either side of motorists' courtesy mail boxes;

- (e) In any public alley; provided, that parking shall be permitted in a public alley where authorized by a public space permit or where designated by posted sign; and
- (f) In a manner to obstruct the entrance to any garage, parking lot or yard, door, or gate used for service purposes.

2405.4 REPEALED

2405.5 The following may not be parked on any public thoroughfare in front of, alongside, or in the rear of any private dwelling or apartment, house of worship, school, playground, or hospital; provided, a vehicle may be parked in front of, alongside, or in the rear of such property while engaged in work at such place for which the vehicle is reasonably necessary:

- (a) Any passenger vehicle with a seating capacity of more than fifteen (15) passengers;
- (b) A boat;
- (c) A trailer, whether loaded or unloaded;
- (d) Any vehicle longer than twenty-two feet (22 ft.) or wider than eight feet (8 ft.); or
- (e) Any vehicle that has been designed or modified to haul trash, junk, or debris.

2405.6 No vehicle described in § 2405.5(a) through (e) may be parked alongside or around any public park except in stands established in accordance with this chapter.

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