

## TITLE 15

### MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAFFIC AND PARKING

#### CHAPTER 6

#### PARKING

#### SECTION

**15-604. Where prohibited.** No person shall park a vehicle in violation of any sign placed or erected by the state or town, nor:

(1) On a sidewalk; provided, however, a bicycle may be parked on a sidewalk if it does not impede the normal and reasonable movement of pedestrian or other traffic;

(2) In front of a public or private driveway;

(3) Within an intersection;

(4) Within fifteen feet (15') of a fire hydrant;

(5) Within a pedestrian crosswalk;

(6) Within twenty feet (20') of a crosswalk at an intersection;

(7) Within thirty feet (30') upon the approach of any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic-control signal located at the side of a roadway;

(8) Within fifty feet (50') of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;

(9) Within twenty feet (20') of the driveway entrance to any fire station, and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station, and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station within seventy-five (75') of such entrance when properly signposted;

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

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

(12) In a parking space clearly identified by an official sign as being reserved for the physically handicapped, unless, however, the person driving the vehicles is:

(a) Physically handicapped; or

(b) Parking such vehicle for the benefit of a physically handicapped person.

A vehicle parking in such a space shall display a certificate of identification or a disabled veteran's license plate issued under Tennessee Code Annotated, title 55, chapter 21. (1991 Code, § 15-604, modified)

(13) In any approved fire lanes where the curb has been painted yellow or where approved signs or markings indicate a fire lane. This includes officially designated fire lane on both public and private property. (Ord. #10-19, November 2010, modified)

**15-605. Motorized vehicles and residential property.** (1) For purposes of this section, a motorized vehicle is any vehicle which is self-propelled and designed to travel along the ground and shall include, but not be limited to automobiles, buses, motorbikes, motorcycles, motorscooters, trucks, tractors, golf carts, campers (self-propelled or towed) and trailers. "Motorized vehicles" shall also include airplanes and self-propelled boats, including watercraft, such as jet skis, designed to travel along the water by motorized means. For purposes of this definition, items, such as children's toys, shall not be included. (Ord. #09-05, February 2009, modified)

(2) It shall be unlawful to maintain, park or store more than five (5) motorized vehicles as defined above on any property zoned for residential use. However, recreational vehicles, including, but not limited to, boats with trailers, ATV's, and campers, and yard-related vehicles, including, but not limited to lawnmowers and utility trailers, may be kept in the rear yard with no part of the vehicle encroaching the rear corner of the residence when not in use, whether or not such rear yard is fenced or enclosed, as long as the number of such recreational and yard-related vehicles does not exceed two (2). (Ord. #09-05, February 2009, modified)

(3) Motorized vehicles which are regularly stored or maintained in a completely enclosed space, which enclosed space must include a roof, such as a garage, shall not be included in the determination of whether or not a violation has been committed.

(4) For purposes of subsection (2) vehicles belonging to persons temporarily visiting the residents of a lot shall not be included in the number of vehicles stated, as long as such vehicles are not parked or stored on the lot in excess of one week.

(5) The provisions of this section shall also apply to residential lots on which properly located and permitted businesses are operated.

(6) This section shall not apply to parcels of land containing five (5) acres or more.

(7) The provisions of this section shall be enforced by the codes enforcement and inspection division.

**15-609. Prohibited parking on certain surfaces.** (1) It shall be unlawful for motorized vehicles as defined in § 15-605 (1) to be parked or stored on property zoned for residential use unless the motorized vehicles are: (a) parked on a paved, concreted, rock, or gravel driveway, or other engineered porous surface as recommended by the Director of Public Works for non-residential uses in a residential district; or (b) stored in a completely enclosed space, which enclosed space shall include a roof. Parking and storing motorized vehicles on grass or dirt in the side or rear yards on residential lots is allowed if the area is enclosed by an opaque privacy fence at least six (6) feet in height. In no event shall the parking and storing of motorized vehicles on front yards of residential lots less than one (1) acre occupy more than fifty percent (50%) of the front yard of a single family dwelling or seventy five percent (75%) of a two family dwelling. (Ord. #11-13,

July 2011, modified)

(2) It shall be an exception to the provisions in Section 1) herein that property zoned residential and used for nonresidential purpose may park motor vehicles on a Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation recommended manufactured porous surface that has been approved by the Director of Public Works and received written approval of the Town Planner as to the geographical location, placement and frequency of which it can be used for continuous parking. It shall be within the discretion of the Planning Director to require review of the proposed surface by the Planning Commission. (Ord. #09-05, February 2009, modified; Ord. #11-13, July 2011, modified)

(3) It shall be an exception to the provisions in Section 1) herein that recreational vehicles, including, but not limited to, boats with trailers, ATV's, campers, and yard-related vehicles, including, but not limited to, lawnmowers and utility trailers, may be kept in the rear yard with no part of the vehicle encroaching the rear corner of the residence, whether or not such area is enclosed or fenced, and whether or not such vehicles are parked on a paved, concrete, rock, or gravel driveway or surface. (Ord. #11-13, July 2011, modified)

(4) It shall be unlawful for motorized vehicles as defined in §15-605(1) to be parked or stored on any property in any nonresidential zone on a surface which is not either paved, concreted, or substantially covered with rock or gravel, or other alternative parking surfaces as recommended by Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation that has been approved by the Director of Public Works, and has received written approval of the Town Planner as to the geographical location, placement and frequency of use of which it can be used for continuous parking. It shall be within the discretion of the Planning Director to require review of the proposed surface by the Planning Commission. (Ord. #11-13, July 2011, modified)

(5) It shall not be a violation of this section where a motorized vehicle is parked contrary to the provisions of this section upon a site at which construction is taking place and suitable surfaces are not then available.

(6) It shall not be a violation of this section where motorized vehicles are parked on prohibited surfaces, if the property has been designated as "greenbelt"/agricultural property in accordance with Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 10 of the Tennessee Code Annotated. (Ord. #09-05, February 2009, modified)

(7) The provisions of this section shall be enforced by the codes enforcement and inspection division.