

CHAPTER 72: PARKING REGULATIONS

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§ 72.01 PARKING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.

No person shall park a vehicle in excess of 48 hours on public property where parking is permitted unless authorized by the Council.

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.02 OBSTRUCTING STREETS.

No person shall park or leave on a street, parking strip, sidewalk or curb, a vehicle part, trailer, box, ware, merchandise of any description or any other thing that impedes traffic or obstructs the view, except as is allowed by this chapter or other ordinances of the city.

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.03 METHOD OF PARKING.

(A) No person shall stand or park a motor vehicle in a street other than parallel with the edge of the roadway, headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement, and with the curbside wheels of the vehicle within 12 inches of the edge of the curb, except where the street is marked or signed for angle parking.

(B) Where parking spaces are designated on a street, no person shall stand or park a vehicle other than in the indicated direction and, within a single marked space unless the size or shape of the vehicle makes compliance impossible.

(C) When the operator of a vehicle discovers that the vehicle is parked close to a building to which the Fire Department has been summoned, the operator shall immediately remove the vehicle from the area unless otherwise directed by police or fire officers.

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.04 PROHIBITED PARKING OR STANDING.

(A) No person shall park or stand:

(1) A vehicle in violation of state motor vehicle laws or in violation of a lawfully erected parking limitation sign or marking; and/or

(2) A vehicle in an alley other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of persons or materials, and in no case for a period in excess of 20 consecutive minutes in any two-hour period.

(B) No operator shall park and no owner shall allow a vehicle to be parked on a street for the principal purpose of:

(1) Displaying the vehicle for sale;

(2) Repairing or servicing the vehicle, except repairs necessitated by an emergency;

(3) Displaying advertising from the vehicle; and/or

(4) Selling merchandise from the vehicle, except when authorized.

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.05 USE OF LOADING ZONE; PASSENGERS.

(A) (1) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle for any purpose or length of time other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of persons or materials, in a place designated as a loading zone when the hours applicable to that loading zone are in effect.

(2) When the hours applicable to the loading zone are in effect, the loading and unloading shall not exceed the time limits posted.

(3) If no time limits are posted, then the use of the zone shall not exceed five minutes for loading or unloading of passengers and personal baggage and 15 minutes for loading or unloading materials.

(B) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle for any purpose or length of time other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers in a place designated as a passenger loading zone when the hours applicable to that zone are in effect.

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.06 LIGHTS ON PARKED VEHICLE.

No lights need be displayed upon a vehicle that is parked in accordance with this chapter on a street where there is sufficient light to reveal a person or object at a distance of at least 300 feet from the vehicle.

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.07 EXTENSION OF TIME.

Where maximum parking time limits are designated by sign, movement of a vehicle within a block shall not extend the time limits for parking.

§ 72.08 UNATTENDED VEHICLES.

When a police officer finds a motor vehicle parked or standing unattended with the ignition key in the vehicle, the officer is authorized to remove the key from the vehicle and deliver the key to the person in charge of the police station.

§ 72.09 EXEMPTIONS.

The provisions of this chapter that regulate the parking, stopping or standing of vehicles do not apply to:

(A) A vehicle of the city, county, state or a public utility while necessarily in use for construction or repair work on a street;

(B) A vehicle owned by the United States while in use for the collection, transportation or delivery of mail; and/or

(C) A vehicle of a disabled person who complies with the provisions of O.R.S. 811.615 to 811.632. Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.10 PARKING CITATION; RESPONSIBILITY.

(A) When a vehicle without an operator is found parked in violation of a restriction imposed by this chapter, the officer finding the vehicle shall take its license number and any other information displayed on the vehicle that may identify its owner, and shall conspicuously affix to the vehicle a parking citation instructing the operator to answer to the charge or pay the penalty imposed within five days during specific hours and at a specific place.

(B) If the operator does not respond to a parking citation affixed to a vehicle within five working days, the Municipal Court may send a letter to the owner of the vehicle informing the owner of the violation and giving notice that if the citation is disregarded for a period of ten days:

(1) The fine will be doubled; and

(2) The vehicle is subject to impoundment and may be sold if not redeemed.

(C) The owner of a vehicle in violation of a parking restriction shall be responsible for the offense unless the use of the vehicle was secured by the operator without the owner's consent.

(D) In a proceeding against a vehicle owner charging a violation of a restriction on parking, proof that the vehicle was registered to the defendant at the time of the violation shall constitute a presumption that the defendant was the owner.

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district in which all or part of the city is located, that the violations be prosecuted for the city in the circuit court by the district attorney in the name of the State of Oregon.

(3) An agreement may be made, pursuant to O.R.S. 190.010, between the city and the County in which all or part of the city is located, that the violations be prosecuted for the city in the justice court by the District Attorney in the name of the State of Oregon.

(B) Except as otherwise provided by an agreement made under division (A) of this section in respect to the court, all fines, costs and forfeited security deposits collected by the circuit or justice court having jurisdiction of a violation of a City Charter or ordinance shall be paid as follows:

(1) One-half of all fines and forfeited security deposits shall be credited and distributed under O.R.S. 137.293 and 137.295 to the treasurer of the city, as a monetary obligation payable to the city.

(2) If collected by the circuit court, the costs and one-half of the fines and forfeited security deposits shall be credited and distributed under O.R.S. 137.293 and 137.295, as a monetary obligation payable to the state.

(3) If collected by the justice court, the costs and one-half of the fines and forfeited security deposits shall be credited and distributed under O.R.S. 137.293 and 137.295 to the treasurer of the county in which the court is located as a monetary obligation payable to the county.

(O.R.S. 221.315)

§ 30.32 PARKING ORDINANCES; ENFORCEMENT.

(A) In all prosecutions for violation of motor vehicle parking ordinances, it shall be sufficient to charge the defendant by an unsworn written notice if the notice clearly states:

(1) The date, place and nature of the charge;

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- (2) The name of the issuing officer or other person authorized to issue the notice; and
 - (3) The license number of the vehicle.
- (B) (1) The notice provided for in division (A) of this section shall either be delivered to the defendant or placed in a conspicuous place upon the vehicle involved in the violation.
- (2) A duplicate original of the notice shall serve as the complaint in the case when it is filed with the court.
 - (3) In all other respects the procedure now provided by law in the cases shall be followed, but O.R.S. 810.365 does not apply.
 - (4) The officer or person authorized to issue a citation need not have observed the act of parking, but need only have observed that the car was parked in violation of city ordinances.
- (O.R.S. 221.333)

INITIATIVES AND REFERENDUM

§ 30.45 PETITIONS.

(A) *Initiative petitions.* The following shall be substantially the form of a petition for any ordinance or amendment to the Charter proposed by the initiative.

WARNING

It is a felony for anyone to sign an Initiative or Referendum petition with any name other than his own, or to knowingly sign his