

CHAPTER 69

PARKING REGULATIONS

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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. Adams Street from Division Street to Walnut Street;
2. Pine Street from Adams Street to Howard Street;
3. Mills Street, on the north side, from Maple Street to Pine Street.

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 upon public property for more than seventy-two (72) hours or for any of the following principal purposes:

(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.

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.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 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 Public Works Director 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. Theatres, Hotels and Auditoriums. A space of fifty (50) feet is hereby reserved at the side of the street in front of any theatre, auditorium, hotel having more than twenty-five (25) sleeping rooms, hospital, nursing home, taxicab stand, bus depot, church, or other building 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.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.360)
15. Alleys. No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in the Business District unless the vehicle is actually engaged in loading or unloading goods or services or passengers.
(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. Area Between Lot Line and Curb Line. That area of the public way not covered by sidewalk and lying between the lot line and the curb line, where curbing has been installed.

69.07 HANDICAPPED PARKING. The following regulations shall apply to the establishment and use of handicapped parking spaces:

1. Nonresidential Off-street Facilities. Nonresidential off-street parking facilities shall set aside handicapped 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 handicapped parking spaces, rounded to the nearest whole number of handicapped parking spaces. However, such parking facilities having ten (10) or more parking spaces shall set aside at least one handicapped 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 handicapped parking spaces for a one-month period not less than once every twelve months. If upon review, the average occupancy rate for handicapped parking spaces in a facility exceeds sixty percent (60%) during normal business hours, the entity shall provide additional handicapped 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 handicapped parking space to an individual

requesting to lease a parking space, if that individual possesses a handicapped 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 handicapped parking spaces as stipulated below:

TOTAL PARKING SPACES IN LOT	REQUIRED MINIMUM NUMBER OF HANDICAPPED 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 handicapped parking space as needed for each individual dwelling unit in which a handicapped person resides. Residential buildings and facilities which provide public visitor parking of ten (10) or more spaces shall designate handicapped 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 handicapped parking spaces.

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

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

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

5. Improper Use. The following uses of a handicapped parking space, located on either public or private property, constitute improper use of a handicapped parking permit, which is a violation of this Code of Ordinances:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.4[2])

A. Use by a motor vehicle not displaying a handicapped parking permit;

B. Use by a motor vehicle displaying a handicapped parking permit but not being used by a person in possession of a motor vehicle license with a handicapped designation or a nonoperator's identification card with a handicapped designation (other than a person transporting the handicapped or elderly and the persons being so transported in a vehicle displaying a removable windshield placard in accordance with Section 321L.2[1b] of the Code of Iowa);

C. Use by a motor vehicle in violation of the rules adopted under Section 321L.8 of the Code of Iowa.

69.08 PARKING AND NO PARKING ZONES. No one shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any of the following specifically designated no parking zones except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a peace officer or traffic control signal.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])

1. There shall be no parking in all City-owned, off-street parking lots between the hours of two o'clock (2:00) a.m. and six o'clock (6:00) a.m. *except those areas as designated by resolution from the City Council and as posted by appropriate signage.*

2. The City Council shall have the authority to designate no parking areas within the City of Creston.

3. The City Council shall, upon resolution, designate specific areas for no parking and shall require such areas to be posted in such a fashion as to provide notice to all persons that the area has been so designated.

4. The no parking area shall become effective only after the resolution has been adopted, published and the signs posted and in place for the designated area.

5. The penalty for violation of this section shall be as set forth in Section 70.03 of the Traffic Enforcement Code.

(Ord. 12-134 – Oct. 11 Supp.)

69.09 TRUCK PARKING LIMITED. No person shall park a motor truck, semi-trailer, or other motor vehicle with trailer attached in violation of the following regulations. The provisions of this section shall not apply to pick-up, light delivery or panel delivery trucks. **(See also Section 66.03)**

(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 street within the Business District. 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. Residential Areas. No such vehicle having a capacity in excess of one (1) ton in weight or with a trailer shall be left unattended or parked upon any street or alley of any residential area of the City at any time except for the purpose of loading and unloading, and then only so long as it is necessary for loading and unloading.
3. Livestock. All such vehicles used for the transportation of livestock and parked in any residential area shall be housed in a garage.

As used in this section, the term “residential area” means any residential area established by the Zoning Regulations of the City.

69.10 PARKING LIMITED TO TWO HOURS. It is unlawful to park any vehicle for a continuous period of more than two (2) hours upon the following designated streets:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236 [1])

1. Pine Street from Mills Street to Adams Street;
2. Maple Street from Mills Street to Adams Street;
3. Elm Street from Mills Street to Adams Street;
4. Oak Street from Montgomery Street to Adams Street;
5. Mills Street from Elm Street to Walnut Street;
(Ord. 03-64 – Jun. 03 Supp.)
6. Montgomery Street from Walnut Street to Division Street;
(Ord. 03-67 – Oct. 03 Supp.)
7. Adams Street from Walnut Street to New York Avenue;

8. Adams Street, on the south side, from Pine Street to Walnut Street;
9. Pine Street parking lot (located between the First National Bank and the Robinson Building), between nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. and five o'clock (5:00) p.m.
10. West Depot parking lot (located west of City Hall) between nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. and five o'clock (5:00) p.m.
11. On Pine Street, two parking spaces north of exit driveway of First Federal Savings & Loan Association;
12. On Pine Street, three parking spaces between exit driveway of First Federal Savings & Loan Association and Mills Street;
13. On Mills Street, three parking spaces between Pine Street and the entry driveway of First Federal Savings & Loan Association;
14. On Mills Street, two parking spaces between entry driveway of First Federal Savings & Loan Association and the alley which intersects with Mills Street.

69.11 PARKING LIMITED TO FOUR HOURS. It is unlawful to park any vehicle for a continuous period of more than four (4) hours upon the following designated streets:

1. East Depot parking lot (located east of City Hall) except for the east side of lot reserved for use by City vehicles;
2. West Depot parking lot (located west of City Hall) — only the back lane of parking closest to the railroad.

69.12 PARKING LIMITED AS POSTED. When any vehicle is parked on the east side of Pine Street from its intersection with Adams Street to the intersection of the east-west alley lying between Montgomery and Adams Street, said vehicles shall be parked in accordance with the signs and street and curb marking lines as provided in such area. Said parking space may be used by such vehicle during the designated time period and said vehicle shall be considered as illegally parked if it remains in said space longer than the period designated on the signs marking the parking area.

69.13 LOADING ZONES.

1. The first parking space on the north side of Montgomery Street west of Elm Street has been established as a loading zone.
2. There is also a loading zone established in front of Creston Auto on Adams Street, with a 15-minute parking limit, located between the two overhead doors in front of Creston Auto.

69.14 HOURS OF PARKING. Unless otherwise specified, the regulations controlling parking shall pertain only between the hours of nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. and six o'clock (6:00) p.m. on all days except Sunday and legal holidays, and upon order of the Council. During the times in which parking is not being controlled under this chapter, all vehicles shall be parked between the designated lines in the same manner as is required during other times.

For the purpose of facilitating the removal of snow and to assist in the proper cleaning of streets in the area designated in Section 69.10(1-8), the following limitations and restrictions are imposed all year around:

1. On the street sides where buildings bear even numbers, that is, on the south and west sides of all designated streets, parking is prohibited on all odd numbered days from one o'clock (1:00) a.m. to seven o'clock (7:00) a.m.
2. On the street sides where buildings bear odd numbers, that is, on the north and east sides of all designated streets, parking is prohibited on the even numbered days from one o'clock (1:00) a.m. to seven o'clock (7:00) a.m.

(Ord. 03-67 – Oct. 03 Supp.)

69.15 SNOW REMOVAL. For the purpose of facilitating the removal of snow from the streets and making it possible to keep the streets open and free from obstructions, the following limitations and restrictions are imposed from November 15 each year to March 31 of the following year:

1. On the street sides where buildings bear even numbers, that is, on the south and west sides of all streets, parking is prohibited on all odd numbered days from one o'clock (1:00) a.m. to seven o'clock (7:00) a.m.
2. On the street sides where buildings bear odd numbers, that is, on the north and east sides of all streets, parking is prohibited on the even numbered days from one o'clock (1:00) a.m. to seven o'clock (7:00) a.m.

69.16 SNOW ROUTES. The Council may designate certain streets in the City as snow routes. When conditions of snow or ice exist on the traffic surface of a designated snow route, it is unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to impede or block traffic.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[12])

69.17 CONTROLLED ACCESS FACILITIES. Parking restrictions on controlled access facilities are as specified in Chapter 140 of this Code of Ordinances.