

## CHAPTER 72: STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING

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### GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### § 72.01 PROHIBITED IN SPECIFIED PLACES.

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

- (A) On any sidewalk.
- (B) Within an intersection.
- (C) On a crosswalk.
- (D) Within 30 feet of any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal located at the side of a street or roadway.
- (E) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction, when the stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.
- (F) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure or within any underpass structure.
- (G) Within 15 feet in either direction of the entrance to a hotel, theater, hospital, sanatorium or any public building.
- (H) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped, standing or parked at the edge or curb of a street.

(^90 Code, § 11-201) Penalty, see § 70.99

Statutory reference:

Prohibited parking; towing, see G.S. § 20-162

#### § 72.02 PROHIBITED FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle upon any street for the principal purpose of:

- (A) Displaying it for sale.
- (B) Washing, greasing or repairing the vehicle, except repairs necessitated by an emergency.
- (C) Storing the vehicle by a garage, dealer or other person when the storage is not incident to the bona fide use and operation of the vehicle.
- (D) Storing any detached trailer or van when the towing unit has been disconnected.
- (E) Transferring merchandise or freight from one vehicle to another.
- (F) Advertising.

( '90 Code, § 11-202) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.03 DIRECTION OF TRAVEL.

No vehicle shall stop with its left side to the curb or shoulder of roads or streets in the corporate limits, except that on one-way streets vehicles shall stop headed in the direction of travel.

( '90 Code, § 11-204) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.04 INTERFERENCE WITH OTHER VEHICLES.

No vehicle shall so stand on any street as to interrupt or interfere with the passage of public conveyances or other vehicles.

( '90 Code, § 11-205) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.05 METHOD OF PARKING GENERALLY.

(A) Parallel parking. Except as provided in division (B) of this section, all vehicles shall park parallel to the curb and not more than 12 inches therefrom.

(B) Angle parking. On streets or parts of streets designated and marked as zones for angle parking, automobiles and other vehicles shall be parked at an angle to the curb as indicated by the markings.

(C) Parking between lines. On any street which is marked off with lines indicating the parking spaces for cars, the same shall be parked between the lines.

( '90 Code, § 11-206) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.06 PROHIBITED ZONE.

When signs are placed, erected or installed giving notice thereof, or the curbing has been painted yellow in lieu of the signs, no person shall park a vehicle at any time in any zone designated as a no-parking zone. If parking is prohibited in the zone only between certain hours, this section shall apply only between such hours, as indicated on the signs erected in the zone.

( '90 Code, § 11-207) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.07 LIMITED PARKING ZONE.

(A) Whenever a limited parking zone is designated in accord with this chapter, no person shall park any vehicle in the zone, except in accordance with the signs and markings erected therein.

(B) Any person who shall park a vehicle in violation of the limited parking zone shall be fined escalating sums for each offense, and upon commission of a third offense, the vehicle shall be subject to being towed to a city-supervised and impoundment area. The vehicle can be recovered only upon payment of the fine and the cost of towing. In addition, any vehicle left in the impoundment area for more than 24 hours from the time of towing shall cause a per-day

storage fee to be assessed against the reclaiming party, which must be paid at the time of recovery of the vehicle.

( '90 Code, § 11-208) (Ord. passed 5-11-82) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.08 NEAR RAILROAD GRADE CROSSING.

No person shall park any vehicle on either side of any street approaching a railroad grade crossing within 50 feet of the closest rail; provided that, where existing permanent structures are located along the street and closer than 50 feet, parking may be permitted in front of the structures, unless otherwise prohibited, if the parking does not interfere with the view in either direction of an approaching locomotive or train.

( '90 Code, § 11-209) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.09 BLOCKING PARKING AREAS.

In any area set aside for the use of the public for parking vehicles therein, no person shall park or otherwise leave a vehicle stationary in such position as to interfere with the free entry into the parking area or withdrawal therefrom. Likewise, no person having entered such an area with a vehicle shall park the vehicle in such manner and in such position with reference to any other vehicle already parked therein as to interfere with the free movement of the other vehicle.

( '90 Code, § 11-210) Penalty, see § 70.99

USE OF PARKING LOTS AFTER HOURS

§ 72.20 APPLICABILITY.

Upon those occasions where officers are called on to remove or assist in the removal of persons trespassing on private parking lots after hours, the provisions of this subchapter shall apply.

( '90 Code, § 11-216) (Ord. passed 8-9-88)

§ 72.21 WHEN FORBIDDEN.

No person other than the owner, tenant or employee of the owner or tenant of any parking area within the shopping center zones of the city shall enter, trespass or loiter upon or park a motor or other vehicle in such parking area without the express permission of the owner or lessee of the parking area at times other than those when business establishments within the shopping center are open for business; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit parking in such areas for the purpose of patronizing businesses which may remain open after general closing hours for businesses within the area.

( '90 Code, § 11-217) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.22 REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPERTY OWNERS.

(A) Prior to enforcement action by police officers, the owner or designee of the property must mark the property with appropriate warning signs and have a letter of intent on file with the Department.

(B) Warning signs must be placed in a most conspicuous location to be readily observed by the public. The signs must be at least two feet by two feet and be worded in a manner as to be clear in its intent, such as: "No Trespassing, Parking or Loitering After Store Hours, Violators Will Be Prosecuted" or words to that effect.

(C) The business having control of the marked parking area must have a formal letter of intent on file with the Police Department. The letter must state that the owner or designee is requesting enforcement of the no trespassing signs. The letter should set forth the reasons why enforcement is being requested and should be on company stationery or be marked in some way to identify the company and should be notarized.

(D) The company owner or designee must be available to testify in court if required.

( '90 Code, § 11-218) (Ord. passed 8-9-88) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.23 PROCEDURES FOR OFFICERS.

(A) An officer observing trespassing on clearly marked parking areas must verify that a letter of intent is on file with the Department for that particular property. This is done by contacting the desk officer, who will have a copy on file.

(B) After verification, the officer will take the appropriate enforcement action up to arrest. In choosing an enforcement action, officers are cautioned to weigh the existing conditions against the possibility of undue escalation of the situation. A supervisor may authorize limited or no enforcement action when appropriate.

(^90 Code, § 11-219) (Ord. passed 8-9-88)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 72: STOPPING, STANDING AND  
PARKING OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES**

The City of Roxboro City Council, on motion of Councilman Henry Daniel seconded by Councilman Mark Phillips hereby ordains as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 72 of the Roxboro City Code is hereby amended by deleting Section 72.07 (A) and (B), and substituting the following in its place:

Section 72.07 Limited Parking Zone.

Whenever a limited parking zone is designated in accord with Appendix A of this Chapter, no person shall park any vehicle in the zone except in accordance with the signs and markings erected therein.

Section 2. Chapter 72 of the Roxboro City Code is hereby amended by adding a new Appendix A to Section 72.07, to read as follows:

**APPENDIX A TO ROXBORO CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 72.07**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Area Affected</u>
City Parking Lot Located at corner of Gordon St. & Lamar St.	SE	Three (3) parking spaces in front of Triangle After Care (insert address) shall be Designated as 30 minute Parking zone. One (1) Parking space in front of Triangle After care (insert Address) shall be designated As a handicap parking space.
Intersection of S. Main St. & Abbitt St.	E	One (1) parking space shall be designated as a "loading zone" and one (1) parking space shall be designated for handicap parking
201 N. Main St.	W	One (1) parking space shall be designated as a loading zone

<u>Location</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
213 N. Main St.	W		One (1) parking space shall be designated as a “loading zone”
101 N. Main St. & Court St.	W		One (1) existing parking space shall be designated for “handicap parking”
106 N. Main St.	E		Two (2) existing parking spaces shall be designated as 15 minute parking spaces

Section 3. Chapter 72 of the Roxboro City Code is hereby amended by adding a new Section 72.24, to read as follows:

**Section 72.24 Penalties and Remedies**

- (a) Unless otherwise provided herein, any violation of this Chapter 72 shall subject the offender to a civil penalty of \$20. If the offender fails to pay this penalty within ten (10) days after being cited for a violation and notified of the penalty, the City may seek to collect it in a civil action in the nature of debt.
- (b) Unauthorized parking in an area designated as a “loading zone” shall subject the offender to a civil penalty of \$15. If the offender fails to pay this penalty within ten (10) days after being cited for a violation and notified of the penalty, the City may seek to collect it in a civil action in the nature of debt.
- (c) A violation of Section 72.06, Section 72.07 (other than a “loading zone”) or Section 72.09, or unauthorized party in a handicap parking space shall subject the offender to a civil penalty in the amount of \$50. If the offender fails to pay this penalty within ten (10) days after being cited for a violation and notified of the penalty, the City may seek to collect it in a civil action in the nature of debt.
- (d) Each day that any violation continues after a person has been notified that such violation exists and that he is subject to the civil penalties specified in this section shall constitute a separate offense.
- (e) This chapter may also be enforced by any appropriate equitable action, including injunctions or orders of abatement.
- (f) The City may enforce this chapter by any one or any combination of the foregoing remedies.

Section 4. All provisions of any City ordinance in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

Section 5. This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that it is in the best interest of the City to approve/deny such an amendment.

Duly adopted by the Council of the City of Roxboro this 16 day of October, 2007.

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Steven G. Joyner, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Trevie Adams, City Clerk