

RESIDENTIAL PARKING ZONE INFORMATION

A valid residential parking zone permit shall exempt that vehicle, while within the zone for which the permit was issued, from a citation for parking longer than the posted time limit. **The permit shall be valid only in the zone designated.**

It is unlawful to falsify information in application for a residential parking zone permit, to fail to report a change of residence or vehicle ownership, or to violate any other terms or conditions under which the permit was issued. Any such unlawful use shall subject the permit holder to revocation of this permit, denial of eligibility for reapplication for one year, and to other penalties.

License Plate Verification

Starting in 2019, the City of Everett Parking Enforcement Officers will begin using an electronic system with license plate readers to verify vehicles with valid Residential Zone Parking permits. Residents are still required to apply for permits for individual vehicles in the same way. The City Clerk's office will no longer provide permits to affix inside the vehicle.

Residential Parking Zone Boundaries Changed on January 1, 2019

Effective January 1, 2019, the Residential Parking Zone boundaries expanded to include all residential streets north of 41st St. Under the Everett Municipal Code (EMC 46.30.030), any revision to Zone boundaries requires a public hearing by the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and a recommendation be made to the Director of Public Works, City Engineer, and Traffic Engineer. The Transportation Advisory Committee, a volunteer citizen advisory board, completed a public hearing process and made recommendations redefining the Residential Parking Zone boundaries. The City is implementing the recommendations.

A [map of the previous Residential Parking Zone boundaries](#) shows Zones 1 through 9 which were established around major institutional on-street parking generators like Everett Community College or Providence Regional Hospital.

A [map of the new Residential Parking Zone boundaries](#) shows Zones A through E. The Transportation Advisory Committee expanded the zones and established new boundaries based on pedestrian barriers such as significant arterials or challenging topography. The new zones are also generally in line with City Neighborhood Association boundaries, each having their own unique parking challenges.

The expanded zones allow the City to respond more quickly to changes in development without additional Residential Parking Zone boundary revisions. They also open up the program to residents that are being impacted by adjacent institutional land uses, but whose addresses were previously outside of the boundaries. For new requests, the City Traffic Engineer determines if a block or blocks meet the requirements to be posted for time limits and directs City staff to put up signs.

City Crews have replaced the Zone parking signs with the new Zone A-E designation. Effective January 1, 2019, the new zone designations apply. For example, previous Zones 4, 6, and 8 are all contained within new Zone A, and after January 1, 2019, parking enforcement considers Zones 4, 6, and 8 to be Zone A. Citations will not be issued for a driver living in the previous Zone 4 parking on a time limited Zone 6 block since they are both now Zone A.

Exclusions do apply. Within the newly formed Metro Everett Parking Area A, no new time limited blocks will be allowed. Existing time limited blocks will be grandfathered in, and existing permitted properties and time limits will remain in effect.

Residents in student housing are also excluded from qualifying for a residential parking permit. During the development of student housing projects, neighborhood residents expressed parking concerns and the various properties are required to notify student housing residents they are excluded from the residential parking permit process.

The City is currently in the process of automating and updating the parking permit system. Please check the [City Clerk's residential parking permit webpage](#) for updates about the 2019 renewal process.

GENERAL PARKING RULES FOR THE CITY OF EVERETT

This is provided for informational and educational purposes only. Below is a brief overview of the City of Everett parking laws. It does not include all aspects of the City's parking laws. The governing authority for parking within the City of Everett is Everett Municipal Code Title 46, Chapter 46.28 Parking.

1. Proper Parking Includes:

- a. Parking in accordance with regulating signs
- b. Parking in the same direction as traffic flow. On a two-way street the right wheels are next to the curb
- c. Parking front-to-curb when angle parking unless otherwise directed by signs
- d. Parking within 12 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway
- e. Parking within designated spaces when marked

2. Do Not Park:

- a. In alleys
- b. Longer than permitted by posted signs
- c. On or within 20 feet of a crosswalk (marked or unmarked), unless permitted by signs or street markings
- d. In front of or within 5 feet of a driveway, alley entrance or cross streets
- e. Within 30 feet of a stop sign unless permitted by signs or street markings
- f. In a fire lane or within 15 feet of a fire hydrant
- g. When signs or curb markings prohibit parking
- h. A vehicle for the purpose of selling it. No "for sale" signs
- i. A vehicle for the primary purpose of washing, greasing or repairing it
- j. In a disabled parking space unless you display a valid disabled placard or disabled license plate
- k. A motor home in a residential area for more than 24 hours
- l. Commercial vehicles that are in excess of 16,000 lbs. gross weight or over 20 feet long or over 8 feet wide in a residential zone
- m. A detached trailer on any city street or alley. Trailers must be attached to a tow vehicle
- n. Back-to-curb unless directed to do so by signs
- o. On sidewalks or planting strips
- p. Any vehicle on a city right-of-way (street, alley, or parking lot) for more than 72 continuous hours. Vehicles parked for more than 72 hours are considered abandoned and may be impounded and/or cited. **Vehicles cannot be stored on a public right-of-way**

3. Curb Markings – City of Everett

- a. Red Curb – restricted parking. Normally no parking permitted
- b. Yellow Curb – restricted parking. Load zones, etc.
- c. White Curb – restricted parking. Disabled parking only