

CHAPTER 72: PARKING REGULATIONS

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Cross-reference:

Streets and sidewalks; regulated activities; parking, see §§ 50.16, 50.32

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§ 72.01 PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU ESTABLISHED.

There is hereby established, pursuant to M.C.L.A. §§ 600.8395, a Parking Violations Bureau, which shall be under the supervision and control of the City Council and its authorized agents.
(Ord. 68, passed 3-26-80)

§ 72.02 LOCATION AND OPERATION OF BUREAU; EMPLOYEES; POWERS.

The City Council shall establish a convenient location for the Parking Violations Bureau and appoint qualified city employees to administer the Bureau and adopt rules and regulations for the operation thereof. The Bureau shall have authority to dispose of only those violations scheduled in § 72.05. An alleged violator is not entitled to disposition of the violation by the Bureau. If the Bureau refuses to dispose of the alleged violation, any person having knowledge of the facts may make a sworn complaint before any court with jurisdiction of the offense as provided by law.
(Ord. 68, passed 3-26-80)

§ 72.03 DISPOSITION OF ALLEGED PARKING VIOLATIONS.

A parking violation may be settled at the Parking Violations Bureau only if the alleged violator so requests. The Bureau shall not accept any penalty for any violation unless the alleged violator accepts responsibility for the violation. The Bureau shall not attempt to determine the truth or falsity of any fact or matter relating to the alleged violation. A person alleged to have committed a parking violation is not required to have the Bureau dispose of the alleged parking violation, but may have a court of competent jurisdiction dispose of the alleged parking violation. The election to have an alleged parking violation disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction shall not prejudice or in any way diminish the rights, privileges and protections accorded to a person by law.
(Ord. 68, passed 3-26-80)

§ 72.04 TRAFFIC TICKETS; EFFECT; CONTENTS.

The issuance of a traffic ticket or notice of a parking violation by a police officer of the city shall be deemed an allegation of a parking violation. The ticket or notice of a parking violation shall

indicate the time within which the alleged violator must respond before the Parking Violations Bureau by accepting responsibility, accepting responsibility with explanation, or denying responsibility for the alleged parking violation. It shall also state the address of the Bureau, the hours during which the Bureau is open, the amount of the penalty scheduled for the offense for which the ticket or notice of violation was issued, and advise that judgment may be entered by a court of competent jurisdiction and that the alleged violator's license may be revoked.

(Ord. 68, passed 3-26-80)

§ 72.05 SCHEDULE OF PARKING OFFENSES AND FINES.

The schedule of offenses and fines shall be as follows:

<i>Parking Offense</i>	<i>Fine</i>
Parking more than 12 inches from curb	\$10.00
Angle parking violations	10.00
Obstructing traffic	10.00
Prohibited parking (signs unnecessary)	
On sidewalk	10.00
In front of drive	10.00
Within intersection	10.00
Within 15 feet of hydrant	10.00
On crosswalk	10.00
Within 20 feet of crosswalk or 15 feet of corner lot lines	10.00
Within 30 feet of street-side traffic sign or signal	10.00
<i>Parking Offense</i>	<i>Fine</i>
Within 50 feet of railroad crossing	10.00
Within 20 feet of fire station entrance	10.00
Beside street excavation when traffic is obstructed	10.00
On bridge or viaduct	10.00
Double parking	10.00
Within 200 feet of accident where police are in attendance	10.00
In front of theater	10.00

<i>Parking Offense</i>	<i>Fine</i>
Blocking emergency exit	25.00
Blocking fire escape	25.00
All-night parking	10.00
Failure to move disabled vehicle	10.00
Abandoned vehicle	10.00
Fire lanes	10.00
Between sidewalk and curb	10.00
On private property without owner's consent	10.00
Parking in prohibited zones (signs required)	
Within 75 feet of entrance on side of street opposite fire station	10.00
In marked tow-away zone	50.00
In marked handicapped zone without handicapped parking permit	100.00
In any other prohibited parking zone	10.00
Parking for prohibited purposes	
Displaying vehicle for sale	10.00
Working on or repairing vehicle	10.00
Displaying advertising	10.00
Selling merchandise	15.00
<i>Parking Offense</i>	<i>Fine</i>
Storage over 48 hours	15.00
Wrong side of boulevard roadway	10.00
Loading zone violation	10.00
Taxicab, parking other than cab stand	10.00
Bus, taxicab stand violation	10.00
Meters, not parking within space	10.00
Failure to set brakes	10.00

<i>Parking Offense</i>	<i>Fine</i>
Parked on grade, wheels not turned to curb	10.00
Bicycle parking violations	10.00
On any public street within the corporate limits of the city from the hours of 2:00 a.m. until 6:00 a.m., from December 1 to April 1	10.00

(Ord. 68, passed 3-26-80; Am. Ord. 213, passed 5-17-04)

§ 72.06 DUTY TO OBEY PARKING SIGNS; TOWING.

When signs prohibiting parking are erected, no person shall park his or her or their vehicle in any so-designated place. A vehicle illegally parked may be towed away and stored at the direction of an officer of the Police Department of the city at the owner's expense.

(Ord. 68, passed 3-26-80) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.99 PENALTY.

Any violation of this chapter shall constitute a civil infraction subject to a civil fine as specified in § 72.05. A judge or magistrate may impose costs not exceeding \$100 if he or she finds an alleged violator responsible for a parking violation hereunder.

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