

FLORIDA PARKING LAWS

YOU CANNOT PARK A VEHICLE:

- Beside another vehicle parked or stopped at a curb
- · Within an intersection
- On a crosswalk
- On or within 50 feet of a railroad track/crossing
- · On a bicycle path or exclusive bicycle lane
- In front of a public or private driveway
- Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant
- Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection
- Within 30 feet of a stop sign or a traffic control device on the side of a roadway
- Within 20 feet of the entry of a fire station
- · On or in a marked fire lane
- · Against the flow of traffic
- Within 10 feet of another vehicle, which would impede traffic flow on the roadway

WHEN PARKING ON A TWO WAY ROAD:

- Park in the direction of authorized traffic movement
- Wheels should be parallel to and within 12 inches of the curb or edge of roadway
- Leave a minimum of 10 feet from a vehicle parked on the opposite side of the roadway

REFERENCES: FLORIDA STATE STATUTES 316.1945 AND 316.195 AND HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY ORDINANCES SECTION 50: TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES; ARTICLE V: STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING

Sec. 50-110. - Stopping, standing and parking in specified locations.

Within the unincorporated areas of Hillsborough County, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with law or the directions of the Sheriff or his deputy or official traffic control device, no person shall:

- (1) Stop, stand, or park a vehicle:
 - a. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
 - b. On a sidewalk;
 - c. Within an intersection:
 - d. On a crosswalk;
 - e. Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within 30 feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone;
 - f. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
 - Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;
 - h. On any railroad tracks;
 - i. On a bicycle path; and
 - j. At any place where an official traffic control device prohibits stopping.
- (2) Stand or park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except momentarily to pick up or discharge a passenger or passengers:
 - a. In front of a public or private driveway;
 - b. Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
 - c. Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
 - d. Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing signal, stop sign, or official traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway;
 - Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrances to any fire station within 75 feet of said entrances when properly signposted;
 - f. On an exclusive bicycle lane;
 - g. At any place where an official traffic control device prohibits standing; and
 - h. On a highway, roadway, or street or in a traffic lane or alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than ten feet of the width of the highway, roadway, street, traffic lane, or alley for the free movement of vehicular traffic.
- (3) Park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except temporarily for the purpose of, and while actually engaged in, loading or unloading merchandise or passengers:
 - a. Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing; and
 - b. At any place where official traffic control device prohibits parking.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided in this article, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a two-way roadway shall be so stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels parallel to and within 12 inches of the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway.
- (5) Except as otherwise provided in this article, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a one-way roadway shall be so stopped or parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway, in the direction of the authorized traffic movement, with its right-hand wheels within 12 inches of the

- right-hand curb or edge of the roadway, or its left-hand wheels within 12 inches of the left-hand curb or edge of the roadway.
- (6) When necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare, the County Administrator or his designee is authorized to erect official traffic control devices conforming to the manual and specifications of the Department of Transportation which prohibit or restrict parking or limit the parking times on any highway, roadway, street, or any side of any highway, roadway, or street, and no person shall park a vehicle in violation thereof. Official traffic control devices giving notice of the restrictions under this section shall be erected in accordance with the manual and specifications of the Department of Transportation.
- (7) No person shall park any vehicle upon a public highway, roadway, or street, upon a public parking lot, or other public property, or upon private property where the public has the right to travel by vehicle, for the principal purpose of displaying the vehicle for sale unless the sale of the vehicle is specifically authorized on such property by municipal or County regulation and the person is duly licensed as a motor vehicle dealer in accordance with F.S. § 320.27, and the person is in compliance with all municipal or County licensing regulations. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a person from parking his or her own vehicle on any private real property which the person does not own or lease, but for which he or she obtains the permission of the owner, for the principal purpose of sale. Any vehicle parked in violation of this section 24 hours after a previous violation and written notice, shall be subject to removal of the vehicle at the owner's expense pursuant to Section 50-115.

(Ord. No. 98-48, § 3, 9-23-1998; Ord. No. 00-18, § 1, 4-24-2000)