

# CLARKSVILLE PARKING AUTHORITY REGULATIONS

## ARTICLE I

### SECTION I - PARKING REGULATIONS

The Clarksville Parking Authority is authorized to regulate public parking and parking facilities in the City of Clarksville. These regulations are intended to establish:

Restrictions on locations for parking and fees associated therewith;

Procedures for the establishment of loading zones and other restricted areas;

Procedures for long-term rental of parking privileges; and

A schedule of penalties for illegal parking, and procedures for contesting citations issued pursuant to these regulations.

### SECTION II – PARKING VIOLATIONS

It is a violation of these regulations to commit any of the following acts:

Overtime parking at a parking meter; between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays);

Parking in any restricted zone;

Parking facing the opposite direction of the flow of traffic in the lane of a street or marked parking area;

Parking on or too close to a sidewalk;

Parking within fifteen **(15)** feet of a fire hydrant (fire plug zone):

Blocking or obstructing traffic in any location;

Parking in any areas clearly marked as RESERVED;

Parking in a space clearly identified by an official sign as being reserved for the physically disabled; unless, however, the person driving the vehicle meets the requirements for the issuance of a distinguishing placard, license plate, or a disabled veteran's license plate;

Parking or standing in a Fire Lane.

Parking on a designated pedestrian crosswalk;

Parking alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;

Parking or leaving any vehicle on the roadway side or any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge of a curb of a street (double parking); unless,

(a) The vehicle is disabled while on the paved or main-traveled portion of a street in such manner and to such extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving such disabled vehicle in such position:

(b) The vehicle is being operated as a carrier of passengers for hire by a driver holding a certificate of convenience and necessity, while taking passengers on such vehicle, or discharging passengers there from; provided that in every event an unobstructed lane of travel of the street be left for free passage of other vehicles and a clear view of such stopped vehicles is available; and

(c) The vehicle is being operated as a solid waste vehicle while on a paved or improved main traveled portion of the street in such manner and to such extent as is necessary for the sole purposes of collecting municipal solid waste; provided that such a vehicle maintain flashing hazard lights at all times while it is stopping or standing; and provided further, that the vehicle is stopped so that a clear view of such stopped vehicle is available.

Parking any place where official signs prohibit stopping or parking;

Parking in front of a public or private driveway;

Parking or standing in a No Parking zone; and

No person shall stand or park a truck or other motor vehicle having three **(3)** or more axles in a residential district on a street right of way except during the loading or unloading of passengers or materials. Provided, however, this shall not apply to residentially-zoned property which is valid pre-existing, nonconforming commercial or industrial use, and where the standing or parking of such truck or other motor vehicle is a proper accessory use of the main building or other portion of the property pursuant to applicable zoning ordinance.

## **SECTION III – RENTAL SPACES, LOADING ZONES AND SPECIAL EVENTS**

Individuals, businesses, or organizations may request the Parking Authority to lease parking spaces to be marked and designated for the use of those individuals, businesses, or organizations subject to the following:

The charges for such spaces are as follows:

Minimum charges of twenty five **(\$25.00)**, thirty **(\$30.00)**, and forty **(\$40.00)** dollars per month; due by the first **(1<sup>st</sup>)** and payable no later than the fifteenth **(15<sup>th</sup>)** of each month. If the space is to be retained, a late fee of five **(\$5.00)** dollars will be collected. Failure to retain spaces will result in a forty-dollar **(\$40.00)** fine for parking in that space and parking privileges may be revoked:

Individuals, businesses, or organizations desiring to have a rent-parking zone designated for a particular use shall make written application to the parking authority for such designation. Such application shall state the particular location of the parking zone involved, and shall state the reason for such application. The Parking Authority shall determine the size of the parking zone for restricted parking purposes; and

Individuals, businesses, or organizations shall pay the cost of the cost of the preparation and the erection of a sign for the designation of the restricted parking zone. The Parking Authority shall prescribe the content and dimension of such signs and no signs purporting to regulate parking shall be erected by any person other than those authorized by the Parking Authority.

Any group or organization sponsoring an event, that effect parking, will have to pay a fee established by the Parking Authority. Any exception from the policy will have to get the approval from the Parking Authority.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **SECTION I – PARKING CITATIONS**

Any person who receives notice of an alleged violation has the right to an administrative hearing before the Parking Authority. Such hearing shall be held not earlier than ten **(10)** days, no later than forty-five **(45)** days, from the date of the issuance of a notice of an alleged violation. At the hearing, the Parking Authority shall take and maintain a record of the proceedings, and shall hear and decide whether a violation has occurred, and shall impose the appropriate civil penalty in such cases.

## **SECTION II – APPEALS**

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Parking Authority may appeal the decision to the Chancery Court of Montgomery County (at his or her own cost) pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 27-9-101, et seq.

## **SECTION III – PENALTIES**

The Clarksville Parking Authority is authorized to establish a scheduled of civil penalties, including late fees and costs, none of which may exceed one hundred dollars **(\$100.00)** for violation of any parking regulation. The Parking Authority reserves the right to institute legal proceedings to collect any penalties, late fees, or other costs owed to it. The penalties associated with violations of the Parking Authority's regulations are the following:

Overtime parking at a meter: First ticket ten dollars **(\$10.00)**

Parking in a restricted zone: thirty dollars **(\$30.00)**

Parked facing wrong direction: thirty dollars **(\$30.00)**

Parking on or too close to sidewalk: twenty dollars **(\$20.00)**

Parking too close to or in front of Fire Hydrant/fire plug zone: fifty dollars **(\$50.00)**

Blocking or obstructing traffic: thirty dollars **(\$30.00)**

Parking in any reserved space: forty dollars **(\$40.00)**

Parking in Handicapped zone: fifty dollars **(\$50.00)**

Parking in Fire Lane: fifty dollars **(\$50.00)**

Any other violation: thirty dollars **(\$30.00)**

**All fines can be issued in two (2) hour increments.**

**All fines must be paid within thirty (30) days of date fine was issued, failure to do so will result in all fines doubling in amount due; unless fine is in hold status due to pending voiding request or any other approved reasons.**

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