



DRIVEWAY AND PARKING REGULATIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

The following information is provided as a general guide to driveway and parking regulations and is applicable only to single-family and two-family residential properties. For information about applicable parking regulations for agricultural, multi-family residential, or commercial properties, please contact the City Planning Department at (952) 882-2660.

- **Do I need a permit to install a parking pad or driveway on my property?** No permit is required, however it is the property owner's responsibility to ensure that applicable regulations are met.
 - **How close to the property line can a driveway be placed?** Driveways and parking areas must maintain a minimum five (5) foot setback from side and rear property lines.
 - **Is there a maximum width that my driveway can be?** Driveways are limited to a maximum width of twenty-four (24) feet at the curb and twenty-seven (27) at the right-of-way line, with the driveway between the curb and right-of-way line not extending beyond a straight line connecting those points. Driveways beyond the right-of-way line are limited to a maximum of thirty-six (36) feet in width.
 - **Can I install a gravel driveway?** City regulations require that all driveways and parking areas be surfaced with either concrete or bituminous materials.
 - **Is it permissible to park my car or truck in the grass?** No, cars and other passenger vehicles must be parked on a paved driveway or parking surface.
- **What are the regulations concerning recreational vehicles?** Recreational vehicles, including boats, snowmobiles, motor homes, and similar vehicles, are subject to the following requirements:
 1. All such vehicles must have a current license and be immediately operable, without need of repair.
 2. Such vehicles may be located in a side or rear yard, provided that a minimum five (5) foot setback from property lines is observed. The vehicle may be parked closer to the property line when screened from eye level view from the street and/or adjacent property by a ninety (90) percent opaque fence.
 3. During periods of seasonal use, such vehicles may be located on a front driveway, provided that:
 - The vehicle does not obstruct the public sidewalk or protrude into the public right-of-way.
 - No more than two (2) such vehicles be parked on the driveway.
 4. Recreational vehicles in excess of thirty-four (34) feet in length are subject to special regulations. Please contact the Planning Department for more information.

Please refer to the illustration on the back of this page for additional information regarding driveway and parking regulations.

