

Selected Parking Regulations from the New Orleans City Code

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I. Parking Violations:

*** Your vehicle can be towed for almost any parking offense.**

*** Parking fines vary, and all included fines approximate the fines as of August 4, 2014.**

*** If you neglect to pay your parking violation within 30 days, the price of the violation will increase 100%, and another increase will occur every 30 days until the violation is paid. For example, a \$20.00 violation will become a \$40.00 dollar violation after 30 days, and that \$20.00 violation will become an \$80.00 violation after 60 days.**

A. Places where parking is prohibited, these are parking violations with no sign requirement to warn and your car can be ticketed without a warning.

1. Parking on a sidewalk fine \$40.00. (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (1); §154 - 699).
2. Parking against the flow of traffic fine \$20.00. (Code 1995, §154 – 861; §154 - 699).
3. Parking a vehicle on the street for more than 24 hours fine \$20.00. (Code 1995, §154 – 881).
4. **Parking in a handicapped parking space fine \$500.00.** (Code 1995, §154 – 874; §154 – 699).
5. **Parking in front of or within 3 feet of a driveway fine \$40.00.** (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (2); §154 - 699). If you park in front of a driveway any driveway it is likely that your vehicle will be towed.
6. **Parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant fine \$40.00.** (Code 1995, § 154-923 (a) (4); §154 - 699).
7. **Parking within an intersection fine \$40.00.** (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (3); §154 - 699).
8. Parking on a cross walk fine \$40.00. (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (5); §154 - 699).

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9. **Parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection fine \$40.00.** (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (6); §154 - 699).
10. **Parking within 20 feet of a stop sign** or other traffic control sign on the side of roadway fine **\$40.00.** (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (7); §154 - 699).
11. Parking anywhere that obstructs the visibility of any traffic control device fine \$40.00 (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (15); §154 – 699).
12. Parking in any way that obstructs traffic by leaving less than 10 feet for vehicles to pass fine \$20.00. (Code 1995, §154 – 878; §154 – 699).

B. Parking meters through out New Orleans:

1. Parking at a meter when signage, locked bag, or hood indicates that such a space is not a legal parking space at that time fine \$20.00. (Code 1995, §154-1086 (b) (c); §154 - 699).

C. **If you get a parking ticket, it is preferable to follow the instructions on the ticket,** but you can call (504) 525-0088 for operator assistance.

1. **You must pay your parking ticket within 30 days or the fines will increase dramatically.**
2. The ticket should provide you with payment options, important dates, addresses, and phone numbers.

The procedure might vary depending on the location where ticketed.

Towable Offenses:

*** Parking violations that are more likely to result in your vehicle being towed.**

1. Parking in driveways fine \$40.00. (Code 1995, §154 – 923; §154 - 699).
2. Parking on sidewalk fine \$40.00. (Code 1995, §154-923 (a) (1); §154 - 699).
3. Parking on neutral grounds fine \$75.00. (Code 1995, §154 - 1031).

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4. Parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant fine \$40.00. (Code 1995, §154 – 923; §154 – 699).
5. Parking within 20 feet of a corner or crosswalk fine \$40.00. (Code 1995, §154 – 923; §154 - 699).
6. Parking in fire lanes, loading zones, service zones, no parking zones, bus stops, or cab stands fine \$40.00. (Code 1995, §154 – 868 to §154 – 872; §154 - 875; §154 – 699).
7. Parking at a bagged meter or malfunctioning meter fine \$20.00. (Code 1995, §154-1086 (b) (c); §154 - 699).

A. If you get towed, call (504) 658 – 8284 the City Impound Lot between 7am to 1am to confirm your vehicle has been impounded. You will need to have your vin # for the dispatch to confirm your vehicle is in the impound lot. Also, the City Impound will give instructions to retrieve your vehicle.

1. **You will have to pick your car up at the City Impound Lot located at 400 N. Claiborne New Orleans, Louisiana 70112.** This is underneath the interstate 4 blocks from Canal Street.
2. **You will need your current vehicle registration or title and valid driver’s license to retrieve your vehicle.**
3. You will have to pay in **cash, money order, or certified check.** It might be possible to pay in credit, the department is currently undergoing changes and it is unclear what if any credit cards will be accepted for payment.

Costs when your car is towed:

1. Paying the **parking violation, and**
2. Paying the **cost of the tow, which varies but is currently \$153.00, and,**

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3. A **storage fee**, which is currently **\$19.00 a day** (each 24 hour period).

4. **The City Impound Lot ONLY accepts cash, money orders, or certified checks.**

B. If you do not pay your parking ticket, your vehicle might get booted. If you have any **parking ticket that is 90 days past due your car can be booted.** If you get booted, **call (504) 658-8250 between 8am – 4pm Monday through Friday**, and they will inform you of the process. You will have to make a payment possibly in person at the Administrative Hearing Center located at 1340 Poydras Street Suite 800 New Orleans, Louisiana 70113.

Costs when your car is booted:

1. Paying any **outstanding parking violations** within **48 hours**, **and**

2. Paying the **cost of having the boot removed within 48 hours**, which varies but is **currently \$115.00.**

3. **If you don not pay the fines** (past due parking ticket and boot fee) **within 48 hours**, then the **vehicle will be towed** and additional cost will be incurred.

a. Additionally, **you will have to pay the towing fee** which varies but is currently **\$153.00 dollars, and**

b. Also, you will have to **pay a \$19.00 storage fee for every 24 hour period** your vehicle remains in the impound lot.

I. Loyola Parking on Main Campus

1. **Things you will need to know and have to apply for a Loyola Main Campus parking pass:**

a. Name

b. Phone number

c. License plate number and State

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- d. Make, model, and color of vehicle
 - e. Student ID number
 - f. Proof of current car insurance
 - g. Vehicle registration
 - h. Driver's license
 - i. Vehicle has to be linked to the student.
 - i. Family name on documents, **or**
 - ii. The address on the driver's license must match the vehicle documents, **or**
 - iii. Student's name **MUST** be listed on the vehicle's insurance policy.
- 2. How much will it cost:**
- a. Daytime student 6am-2am
 - i. Fall or Spring \$90.00
 - ii. Fall and Spring \$170.00
 - iii. Summer to be determined
 - b. Nighttime student 4pm-midnight
 - i. Fall or Spring \$85.00
 - ii. Fall and Spring \$150.00
 - iii. Summer to be determined
 - c. All students with Loyola Parking Passes can park in the lot across from Loyola Law after 5pm.
 - d. **Having a Loyola Parking Pass does not guarantee any student a parking space.**

II. Residential Permit Parking Zone

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1. Residential areas that are surrounded by businesses or other attractions that create an influx of commuter traffic might be residential permit parking zones. Signs with green writing signal that an area is zoned residential permit parking. Vehicles without a permit cannot park in that particular zone for more than 2 hour a day. If a vehicle remains in a particular zone past the 2 hour limit, the vehicle will be ticketed. The first offense will cost \$40.00 and the fine can increase with subsequent offenses. (Code 1995, §154 – 177 (b) (5); §154 - 699).
2. The neighborhood around Loyola Law is zoned residential permit parking.

III. Residential Permit Parking Zones Surrounding Loyola Law

1. **There are two parking zones around Loyola Law. St. Charles is the dividing line between the two zones.** If you park on one side of St. Charles or the posterior neighborhood, then you can only stay on that side for 2 hours. If you have to remain in the neighborhood, **then you must either move your car to the other side** of St. Charles or the posterior neighborhood (neighborhood behind that side of St. Charles) **OR park outside of the residential permit parking zone.**
2. Residential permit parking signs usually have green writing and are usually posted on every block. Keep a look out for the signage to determine where the residential permit parking zone ends. To be safe circle the block to ensure you are parking outside of the residential permit parking zone.
3. **Over park in a residential permit area and get a fine of at least \$40.00 for the first offense.** (Code 1995, §154 – 177 (b) (5); §154 – 1137 (a); §154 - 699).

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4. The residential permit parking zone is enforced from 6am – 7pm Monday – Friday, except the Lake side of St. Charles and the posterior neighborhood which is enforced Monday – Saturday.
5. **Pine Street in front of the Law School is not regulated by the residential permit parking zone. However, you must still obey regular parking regulations, i.e., park at least 3 feet from driveway, 15 feet from a fire hydrant, and 20 feet from a corner, crosswalk, intersection, or stop sign.**
6. If you live in the area that is zoned residential permit parking, then you are likely eligible for a residential permit for the zone where you live. You can call the parking division at (504) 658 – 8200 for more information.
 - a. What you must prove:
 - i. You own or operate a motor vehicle.
 - ii. You reside on property within the residential permit parking zone.
 - b. Proof:
 - i. Driver’s license with the residential permit parking address. (This proves that you live in the residential permit parking zone).
 - ii. Vehicle registered in Orleans Parish that is owned by a resident of the residential permit parking zone. (This proves that you operate a vehicle in the residential permit parking zone).
 - c. What you must know and have before you submit an application for a residential parking permit:
 - i. Name and driver license number of the owner operator of the motor vehicle.

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- ii. Residential address in a residential permit parking zone
- iii. The make, model, registration, and plate numbers of the motor vehicle
- iv. Driver license
- v. Vehicle registration in Orleans Parish in the residential permit parking area.

7. If you're a student with an out of state driver's license and vehicle registration, then you may apply for a semester long permit.

- a. What you must know and have before submitting an application:
 - i. Valid student identification
 - ii. Current rental agreement within the residential permit parking zone **and** a utility bill (light or water).
 - iii. Current driver's license
 - iv. Vehicle registration
 - v. License plate number

(Code 1995, § 154 – 1141 (d)) (The quotation marks were omitted).

- b. Permits are issued three times a year:
 - i. January – May
 - ii. May – September
 - iii. September - January

IV. Other good things to know about parking or driving in New Orleans

- 1. If there is a conflict between a sign and paint (usually yellow or red) on the ground, **ALWAYS** follow the sign.

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2. If you visit the French Quarter and decide to park on the street, ALWAYS pay attention to the signs. There are loading zones, no parking zones, bus stops, cab stands, and many more zones that could get your car ticketed or towed including residential parking zones and street cleaning zones. If you park on a block during street cleaning hours, your vehicle will definitely be towed.
3. You can get a camera ticket in New Orleans. There are places on St. Charles and Carrollton where you will get a camera ticket if you disobey the traffic laws mainly speeding or running a red light. Pay attention to school zones and even passing busses when children are exiting. If you get a camera ticket, follow the instructions on the notice you receive. The parking violation will be sent to the registered owner of the vehicle through the mail. (Code 1995, § 154 – 1701). Violations can be contested by appearing before the administrative adjudication bureau on or before the scheduled hearing; however, failure to pay or challenge liability will result in a waiver of the right to contest the violation. (Code 1995, § 154 – 1702). The penalty for speeding varies from \$45.00 to \$205.00. (Code 1995, § 154 – 1703(b)). The penalty for running a red light is \$105.00. (Code 1995, § 154 – 1703 (a)).
4. In Parishes throughout Louisiana, vehicles are required to have a motor vehicle inspection sticker that must be renewed every year. If a vehicle has unpaid parking violations, the vehicle can be denied an inspection sticker until s/he proves the vehicle does not have any unpaid violations. There is a rebuttable presumption that: the recorded violation was lawfully issued, the owner of the vehicle was the owner at the time the ticket was issued, the owner of the vehicle operated or authorized operation of the vehicle at the time the ticket was issued. (Code 1995, § 154-1349).