

## Chapter 10.40

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**10.40.010** Applicability.  
 A. The provisions of this chapter prohibiting the stopping, standing, or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times or at those times specified in this chapter, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.  
 B. The provisions of this chapter imposing a time limit on standing or parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions of the Vehicle Code or the ordinances of the city prohibiting or limiting the standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times. (Ord. 203 § 9, 1969)  
**10.40.020** Stopping, standing or parking on parkways prohibited.  
 No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle within any parkway. (Ord. 203 § 9.1, 1969)

**10.40.030 No-stopping and no-parking areas established.**

A. The chief of police is authorized to maintain, by appropriate signs or by paint upon the curb surface, all no-stopping zones, no-parking areas, and restricted parking areas, as defined and described in this chapter.

B. When the curb markings or signs are in place no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park such vehicle adjacent to any such legible curb marking or sign in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. 203 § 9.2, 1969)

**10.40.040 No-parking areas.**

No operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand, park or leave standing such vehicle in any of the following places, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or other authorized officer, or traffic sign or signal:

A. Within any divisional island unless authorized and clearly indicated with appropriate signs or markings;

B. On either side of any street between the projected property lines of any public walk, public steps, street, or thoroughfare terminating at such street, when such area is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface;

C. In any area where the chief of police determines that the parking or stopping of a vehicle would constitute a traffic hazard or would endanger life or property, when such area is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface;

D. In any area established by resolution of the council as a no-parking area, when such area is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface;

E. Upon, along or across any railway track in such manner as to hinder, delay or obstruct the movement of any car traveling upon such track;

F. In any area where the parking or stopping

of any vehicle would constitute a traffic hazard or would endanger life or property;

G. On any street or highway where the use of such street or highway or a portion thereof is necessary for the cleaning, repair or construction of the street or highway or the installation of underground utilities or where the use of the street or highway or any portion thereof is authorized for a purpose other than the normal flow of traffic or where the use of the street or highway or any portion thereof is necessary for the movement of equipment, articles or structures of unusual size, and the parking of such vehicle would prohibit or interfere with such use or movement; provided, that signs giving notice of such no-parking are erected or placed at least twenty-four hours prior to the effective time of such parking.

H. At any place within twenty feet of a point on the curb immediately opposite the midblock end of a safety zone, when such place is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the-curb surface.

I. At any place within twenty feet of a crosswalk at an intersection (in the central traffic district or) in any business district when such place is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface, except that a bus may stop at a designated bus stop.

J. Within twenty feet of the approach to any traffic signal, boulevard stop sign, or official electric flashing device. (Ord. 203 § 9.3, 1969; Ord. 786 §1, 2011)

**10.40.050 No overnight parking zones.**

No person who owns or has the possession, custody or control of any motor vehicle, trailer, boat, motorcycle, recreational vehicle or other mechanical equipment shall park the same overnight, as defined herein, upon any public parking lot or municipal property owned, operated, leased, or maintained by the City, nor on any street designated as a “no overnight parking” zone. For purposes of this

Chapter, overnight parking shall be defined as any vehicle left between the hours of two a.m. and seven a.m.

**10.40.060 Seventy-two hour time period.**

No person who owns or has the possession, custody or control of any motor vehicle, trailer, boat, motorcycle or other mechanical equipment shall park the same upon any public street or alley for more than a consecutive period of seventy-two hours without the written permission of the police department. (Ord. 180 § 1, 1966)

**10.40.070 Display for sale on public street prohibited.**

No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any motor vehicle shall park the motor vehicle upon any public streets, alley, parking lot or municipal property for the principal purpose of advertising or displaying the vehicle for sale unless authorized by the police department. (Ord. 180 § 2, 1966)

**10.40.080 Vehicle or machinery repair on street prohibited—Exception.**

No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle, trailer, motorcycle, farm machinery or any other equipment shall construct or cause to be constructed, repair or cause to be repaired, grease or cause to be greased, dismantle or cause to be dismantled, the same or any part thereof upon any public street, alley, parking lot, public sidewalk or municipal property except in the event that the same shall need emergency repairs; provided, however, that such emergency repairs shall not extend over a longer period than two hours. (Ord. 180 § 3, 1966)

**10.40.090 Storing of disabled vehicle in front or side yard — Time restriction.**

No person shall park, store, place or allow to remain in public view any disabled or dismantled

motor vehicle, part of a motor vehicle, trailer, motorcycle, equipment, machinery, tools or any other metallic material of any kind for a period of more than forty-eight hours in any front or side yard or any other set back area established pursuant to the zoning ordinances of the city, excepting where property is zoned for such use in accordance with the zoning ordinances of the city. The provisions of this section shall not apply where such vehicles, machinery or equipment are necessarily used for construction purposes, extensive repairs, or the painting of buildings or any other work reasonably incidental thereto. (Ord. 180 § 4, 1966)

**10.40.100 Repair work prohibited on residential property during certain hours.**

It is unlawful to disassemble, construct and reconstruct, repair or service motor vehicles, motorcycles, bicycles, boats, household appurtenances and appliances, machinery or equipment upon any residentially zoned property between the hours of nine p.m. and eight a.m., except for emergency purposes, provided that such emergency service does not extend over a period of two hours. (Ord. 180 § 5, 1966)

**10.40.110 Emergency service or repair — Burden of proof.**

The burden of proof that the parking and placing of any vehicles, motorcycles, bicycles, boats, household appliances, machinery and equipment on public streets, alleys, driveways, sidewalks or upon private property for emergency service or repair shall be upon the owner or operator or the person having the present possession, custody or control. (Ord. 180 § 6, 1966)

**10.40.120 Definitions.**

Whenever any words or phrases used in Sections 10.40.060 through 10.40.110 are not defined in this chapter but are defined by the

Vehicle Code of the state, or any amendments thereto, then such definition shall apply and is made a part of this chapter in its entirety, the same as if fully set forth in this chapter. (Ord. 180 § 7, 1966)

**10.40.130 Washing or polishing vehicles on public street for charge.**

No person shall wash or cause to be washed, polish or cause to be polished, any vehicle or any part thereof upon any public street in the city, when a charge is made for such service. (Ord. 203 § 9.7, 1969)

**10.40.140 Parking adjacent to schools.**

A. The chief of police is authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon that side of any street adjacent to any school property when such parking would, in his opinion, interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation.

B. When official signs are erected prohibiting parking upon that side of a street adjacent to any school property, no person shall park a vehicle in any such designated place. (Ord. 203 § 9.8, 1969)

**10.40.150 Parking prohibited on narrow streets.**

A. The chief of police is authorized to place signs or markings indicating no parking upon any street when the width of the roadway does not exceed twenty feet, or upon one side of a street as indicated by such signs or markings when the width of the roadway does not exceed thirty feet.

B. When official signs or markings prohibiting parking are erected upon narrow streets as authorized in this chapter, no person shall park a vehicle upon any such street in violation of any such sign or marking. (Ord. 203 § 9.9, 1969)

**10.40.160 Parking on grades.**

No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle unattended on a highway when upon any grade exceeding three percent (within any business or residence district) without blocking the wheels of

the vehicle by turning them against the curb or by other means. (Ord. 203 § 9.10, 1969)

**10.40.170 Peddlers and vendors stands — Unlawful parking.**

A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, no person shall stand or park any vehicle, wagon or pushcart from which goods, wares, merchandise, fruits, vegetables or foodstuffs are sold, displayed, solicited or offered for sale or bartered or exchanged, or any lunch wagon or eating car or vehicle, on any portion of any street within the city, except that such vehicles, wagons or pushcarts may stand or park only at the request of a bona fide purchaser for a period of time not to exceed ten minutes at any one place. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to persons delivering such articles upon order of, or by agreement with a customer from a store or other fixed place of business or distribution.

B. No person shall park or stand on any street any lunch wagon, eating cart or vehicle, or pushcart from which tamales, peanuts, popcorn, candy or other articles of food are sold or offered for sale without first obtaining a written permit to do so from the chief of police which shall designate the specific location in which such cart shall stand.

C. No person shall park or stand any vehicle or wagon used or intended to be used in the transportation or property for hire on any street while awaiting patronage for such vehicle or wagon without first obtaining a written permit to do so from the chief of police which shall designate the specific location where such vehicle may stand.

D. Whenever any permit is granted under the provisions of this section and a particular location to park or stand is specified therein, no person shall park or stand any vehicle, wagon or pushcart on any location other than as designated in such permit. In the event that the holder of any such permit is convicted in any court of competent jurisdiction for violating any of the provisions of this section, such

permit shall be forthwith revoked by the chief of police upon the filing of the record of such conviction with such officer and no permit shall thereafter be issued to such person until six months have elapsed from the date of such revocation. (Ord. 203 § 9.11, 1969)

**10.40.180 Emergency parking signs.**

A. Whenever the chief of police shall determine that an emergency traffic congestion is likely to result from the holding of public or private assemblages, gatherings or functions, or for other reasons, the chief of police shall have power and authority to order temporary signs to be erected or posted indicating that the operation, parking or standing of vehicles is prohibited on such streets and alleys as the chief of police shall direct during the time such temporary signs are in place. Such signs shall remain in place only during the existence of such emergency and the chief of police shall cause such signs to be removed promptly there-after.

B. When signs authorized by the provisions of this section are in place giving notice thereof, no person shall operate, park or stand any vehicle contrary to the directions and provisions of such signs. (Ord. 203 § 9.12, 1969)

**10.40.190 Twenty-four minute parking area.**

A. Green curb markings shall mean no standing or parking for a period of time longer than twenty-four minutes at any time between nine a.m. and six p.m. on any day except Sunday(s and holidays).

B. When authorized signs, parking meters or curb markings have been determined by the chief of police to be necessary and are in place giving notice thereof no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park the vehicle adjacent to any such legible curb marking or sign or parking meter in violation thereof (Ord. 203 § 10, 1969)

**10.40.200 Forty-minute parking area.**

When authorized signs, parking meters or curb

markings have been determined by the chief of police to be necessary and are in place giving notice thereof, no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park the vehicle between the hours of nine a.m. and six p.m. of any day except Sunday(s and holidays), for a period of time longer than forty minutes. (Ord. 203 § 10.1, 1969)

**10.40.210 One-hour parking area.**

When authorized signs, parking meters or curb markings have been determined by the chief of police to be necessary and are in place giving notice thereof no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park the vehicle between the hours of nine a.m. and six p.m. of any day except Sunday(s and holidays) for a period of time longer than one hour. (Ord. 203 § 10.2, 1969)

**10.40.220 Two-hour parking area.**

When authorized signs, parking meters or curb markings have been determined by the chief of police to be necessary and are in place giving notice thereof, no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park the vehicle between the hours of nine a.m. and six p.m. of any day except Sunday(s and holidays) for a period of time longer than two hours. (Ord. 203 § 10.3, 1969)

**10.40.230 Three-hour parking area.**

A. No person shall park any heavy-duty commercial vehicle or truck or trailer more than three hours on a street in any residential or industrial district except (1) while loading or unloading property and time in addition to such three-hour period is necessary to complete the work; or (2) when such vehicle is parked in connection with and in aid of the performance of a service to or on a property in the block in which such vehicle is parked and time in addition to such three-hour period is reasonably necessary to complete such service.

B. For the purposes of this section, "heavy-duty commercial vehicle" means a single

vehicle or combination of vehicles having more than two axles, a single vehicle or combination of vehicles twenty feet or more in length, or a single vehicle or combination of vehicles six feet eight inches or more in width, and shall include, but shall not be limited to dump trucks, moving vans, tractors, pole or pipe dollies, house trailers or other type trailer, or vehicles having a manufacturer's rated capacity of over one and one-half ton designated for or engaged in carrying merchandise, freight or other material, whether such vehicle be laden or unladen. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to mean or include railroad, street or interurban railway cars or vehicles for the carriage of passengers. (Ord. 203 § 10.4, 1969)

**10.40.240 Parking parallel on one-way streets.**

A. Subject to other and more restrictive limitations, a vehicle may be stopped or parked within eighteen inches of the left-hand curb facing in the direction of traffic movement upon any one-way street unless signs are in place prohibiting such stopping or standing.

B. In the event a highway includes two or more separate roadways and traffic is restricted to one direction upon any such roadway, no person shall stand or park a vehicle upon the left-hand side of such one-way roadway unless signs are in place permitting such standing or parking.

C. The chief of police is authorized to determine when standing or parking shall be prohibited upon the left-hand side of any one-way street or when standing or parking may be permitted upon the left-hand side of any one-way roadway of a highway having two or more separate roadways and shall erect signs giving notice thereof.

D. The requirement of parallel parking imposed by this section shall not apply in the event any commercial vehicle is actually engaged in the process of loading or unloading freight or goods, in which case such vehicle may be backed up to the curb; provided that such vehicle does not extend

beyond the centerline of the street and does not block traffic thereby. (Ord. 203 § 10.5, 1969)

**10.40.250 Diagonal parking.**

A. On any one of the streets or portions of streets established by resolution of the council as diagonal parking zones, when signs or pavement markings are in place indicating such diagonal parking, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to park the vehicle, except:

1. At the angle to the curb indicated by signs or pavement markings allotting space to park vehicles and entirely within the limits of the allotted space;

2. With the front wheel nearest the curb within six inches of the curb.

B. The provisions of this section shall not apply when such vehicle is actually engaged in the process of loading or unloading passengers, freight or goods, in which event the provisions applicable in Section 10.40.240 of this chapter shall be complied with. (Ord. 203 § 10.6, 1969)

**10.40.260 Parking space markings.**

A. The chief of police is authorized to install and maintain parking space markings to indicate parking spaces adjacent to curbs where authorized parking is permitted.

B. When such parking space markings are placed on the highway, subject to other and more restrictive limitations, no vehicle shall be stopped, left standing or parked other than within a single space unless the size or shape of such vehicle makes compliance impossible. (Ord. 203 § 10.7, 1969)

**10.40.270 No-stopping zones.**

A. The chief of police shall designate established no-stopping zones by placing and maintaining appropriate signs indicating that stopping of vehicles is prohibited and indicating the hours and day when stopping is prohibited.

B. During the hours and on the days designated on the signs, it is unlawful for the

operator of any vehicle to stop the vehicle on any streets or parts of streets established by resolution of the council as no-stopping zones. (Ord. 203 § 10.8, 1969)

**10.40.280 Parking between two a.m. and four a.m. restricted.**

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle on any street for a period of time longer than thirty minutes between the hours of two a.m. and four a.m. of any day, provided that this section shall not apply to a vehicle of any regularly licensed physician when actually engaged in making professional calls. (Ord. 203 § 10.9, 1969)

**10.40.290 Loading zones—Authority to establish.**

A. The chief of police is authorized to determine and to mark loading zones and passenger loading zones as follows:

1. At any place in the central traffic district or any business district;
2. Elsewhere in front of the entrance to any place of business or in front of any hall or place used for the purpose of public assembly.

B. In no event shall more than one-half or the total curb length in any block be reserved for loading zone purposes.

C. Loading zones shall be indicated by yellow paint upon the top of all curbs within such zones.

D. Passenger loading zones shall be indicated by white paint upon the top of all curbs in such zones. (Ord. 203 11, 1969)

**10.40.300 Curb markings.**

The chief of police is authorized, subject to the provisions and limitations of this chapter, to place, and when required herein shall place, the following curb markings to indicate parking or standing regulations, and the curb markings shall have the meaning as set forth in this section:

A. Red means no stopping, standing or parking at any time except as permitted by the Vehicle Code,

and except that a bus may stop in a red zone marked or signed as a bus zone.

B. Yellow means no stopping, standing or parking at any time between seven a.m. and six p.m. of any day except Sunday(s and holidays) for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers or materials; provided, that the loading or unloading of passengers shall not consume more than three minutes nor the loading or unloading of materials more than twenty minutes.

C. White means no stopping, standing or parking for any purpose other than loading or unloading of passengers, or for the purpose of depositing mail in an adjacent mailbox, which shall not exceed three minutes and such restrictions shall apply between seven a.m. and six p.m. any-day-except Sundays (and holidays) and except as follows:

1. When such zone is in front of a hotel or in front of a mailbox the restrictions shall apply at all times;
2. When such zone is in front of a theater the restrictions shall apply at all times except when such theater is closed.

D. When the chief of police, as authorized under this chapter, has caused curb markings to be placed, no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle adjacent to any such legible curb marking in violation of any of the provisions of this section. (Ord. 203 § 11.1, 1969)

**10.40.310 Permission to load or unload.**

A. Permission herein granted to spot or stand a vehicle for purposes of loading or unloading of material shall apply only to commercial vehicles and shall not extend beyond the time necessary therefore, and in no event for more than twenty minutes.

B. The loading or unloading of materials shall apply only to, commercial deliveries, also the delivery or pickup of express and parcel post packages and United States mail.

C. Permission herein granted to stop or park

for purposes of loading or unloading passengers shall include the loading or unloading of personal baggage but shall not extend beyond the time necessary therefor and in no event for more than three minutes.

D. Within the total time limits specified in this section, the provisions of this section shall be enforced so as to accommodate necessary and reasonable loading or unloading but without permitting abuse of the privileges granted. (Ord.203 § 11.2, 1969)

**10.40.320 Stopping in yellow loading zone.**

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any yellow loading zone for any purpose other than loading or unloading passengers or material for such time as is permitted in Section 10.40.310. (Ord. 203 § 11.3, 1969)

**10.40.330 Stopping in passenger loading zone.**

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any passenger loading zone for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers for such time as is specified in Section 10.40.310. (Ord. 203 § 11.4, 1969)

**10.40.340 Stopping in alley.**

No person shall stop, stand-or park a vehicle for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of persons or materials in any alley (Ord. 203 § 11.5, 1969)

**10.40.350 Coach zones.**

A. The chief of police is authorized to establish bus zones opposite curb space for the loading and unloading of buses or common carriers of passengers and to determine the location thereof.

B. Coach zones shall normally be established on the far side of an intersection. (Ord. 203 § 11.6, 1969)

**10.40.360 Over-sized Vehicle Parking Prohibited.**

The chief of police is authorized to establish

and designate areas within commercial and industrial zones, as well as the Central Business District of the City of Ripon in which it shall be unlawful to park any motor vehicle, trailer, boat or motorhome which exceeds 18 feet in length. Such areas shall be designated by appropriate signage or by paint upon the curb surface, as set forth in Section 10.40.030. (Ord. 549 § 1, 1996)

**10.40.370 Over-weight Vehicle Parking Prohibited off Truck Routes.**

No person owning or has possession, custody, or control of any commercial motor vehicle as defined in California Vehicle Code Section 260, that exceeds a maximum gross weight limit of five tons, shall park the same upon any public street, alley, parking lot, public property or on the driveway or within the front yard setback of private property that is off of an approved truck route as defined in Section 10.44.040. Commercial vehicles exceeding a maximum gross weight of five tons may park off an approved truck route when in compliance with Section 10.44.010 (B). This section shall not apply to recreational vehicles. (Ord. 614 § 1, 2000)

**10.40.380 Parking Permits Prohibited**

Notwithstanding any resolution or ordinance enacted prior hereto, the use of parking permits on public roadways within the City of Ripon is prohibited. (Ord. 684 § 1, 2003)

**10.40.390 Penalties**

Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this Chapter shall be punished under the applicable provisions of the Vehicle Code of the State of California or the provisions of Section 1.08.030 of the Ripon Municipal Code. In addition to any other remedy provided in the Vehicle Code or the Ripon Municipal Code, the Ripon Police Department may tow any vehicle found to be stopped, parked, stored or standing in violation of this Chapter, at the owner's expense. (Ord. 755 §1 2007)

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