

Sec. 106.01. - Obstruction.

(a) *Encumbrances or obstructions prohibited.*

1. Purpose: The primary purpose of a public sidewalk or other right-of-way is to provide safe access to the public to travel from place to place. It is the intent of this ordinance to maintain that primary purpose at all times.
2. No person shall encumber or obstruct any sidewalk, lane, alley, public ground, public landing, wharf or pier, or other public place by placing thereon or therein any building materials, carriages, carts, wagons, sleighs, boxes, lumber, firewood, posts, awnings, signs, or any other materials or substance whatever. No person shall operate a sidewalk café without a license and a right-of-way obstruction permit issued by City of Saint Paul.
3. A minimum width of forty-eight (48) inches of clear, unobstructed pedestrian walk-through zone, exclusive of the curb, shall be maintained on the public sidewalk at all times.

Sec. 106.10. - Rubbish, etc.

No person shall pile, deposit or place, or cause or permit to be deposited, piled or placed, any rubbish, wood, coal or merchandise, dirt, impediment or obstruction of any kind, upon or over any sidewalk or crossing in said city, nor to occupy or obstruct any sidewalk or crossing, so as to interfere with the convenient use of the same by all passengers.

Sec. 157.06. - Manner of parking.

- (a) *Parallel to curb, except where marked.* No person shall stand or park a vehicle in a roadway other than parallel with the edge of the roadway, headed in the direction of traffic, with the curbside wheels of the vehicle within twelve (12) inches of the edge of the roadway, and in a manner that does not block another vehicle from entering or exiting a legal parking spot, except where marks or signs on the streets indicate that cars shall be parked at an angle.
- (b) *Backing to curb restricted.* No vehicle shall be backed into or up to the curb at any time for the purpose of loading or unloading or any other purpose whatsoever, unless a permit has been obtained in accordance with Chapter 135 of this code. When taking on or discharging freight or passengers, vehicles shall be headed in the direction of traffic on the right of the roadway.
- (c) *Parking space about to be vacated.* The driver of a vehicle intending to park at the curb of any street or highway at a place about to be vacated by another vehicle shall stop back of said parking space and wait until said vehicle has vacated said parking space. The person so desiring to park shall then move his or her vehicle to a place immediately in front of said parking space and back into it, and the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall yield the right-of-way to such person for the purpose of parking at said parking space. In case there is no one in position immediately in front of said parking space preparing to back into it, and said space is large enough to permit it, the driver of an approaching vehicle may head into said parking space without backing.