



## Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 157 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code pertaining to miscellaneous parking restrictions and mobile food vehicles.

Sec. 157.04. - Miscellaneous parking restrictions and vehicle definitions.

a. *Definitions.* The following words when used in this section shall have the following meanings ascribed to them:

*Commercial vehicle* shall include any bus or commercial truck, as herein defined, [or] any vehicle designed or modified to serve purposes other than the transportation of persons. A commercial vehicle shall not include public utility vehicles, authorized emergency vehicles and/or those vehicles currently owned and operated by federal, state and local governmental subdivisions.

*Bus* means every motor vehicle designed for carrying more than ten (10) passengers and used for the transportation of persons, and every motor vehicle other than a taxicab designed and used for the transportation of persons for compensation. The term "bus" does not include a vehicle designed for carrying more than ten (10) passengers but not more than fourteen (14) passengers and operated for the personal or family use of the owner or operator.

*School bus* shall have the definition found in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 169.

*Commercial truck* shall include a motor vehicle designed and registered as a truck and licensed under the motor carrier laws of the State of Minnesota for the transportation of property but not persons, or a motor vehicle designed and registered as a truck and used exclusively in the transportation of property in commerce but not for the transportation of persons at any time. A commercial truck shall not include station-wagon-type vehicles, utility class vehicles, pickup trucks, any vehicle in which the cargo space is enlarged by the removal or folding down of seats, vans with more seats than for a driver and helper or any vehicle originally designed as a passenger-type vehicle.

b. *Overweight vehicle.* Any vehicle, with or without load, which weighs more than six thousand (6,000) pounds or is registered for a gross weight of more than nine thousand (9,000) pounds or is greater than twenty-two (22) feet in length and/or seven and one-half (7½) feet in height. This definition includes but is not limited to semi-trailers, tow trucks, buses, limousines, tractors, construction equipment or similar vehicles. This definition excludes licensed, operable recreational vehicles (RV's) and licensed, operable mobile food vehicles.

No vehicle shall be parked in violation of any of the following provisions:

(1) No person, firm or corporation operating any public garage shall park vehicles on the streets or alleys adjacent to or in the vicinity of such public garage for a longer period than ninety (90) minutes.

(2) No vehicle shall be parked within eighty (80) feet of the point where the property line projected would intersect a street upon which buses are operated, where the corner where such intersection takes place is used as a bus stop.

(3) No vehicle shall be parked within thirty (30) feet of any arterial stop sign or sign indicating the direction for travel.

(4) No vehicle shall be parked on the approaches to any bridge, nor upon any boulevard, lawn or grass plot; provided, however, that parking on lawn in required side and front yards shall be permitted if such parking occurs within the special overlay zoning district known as "State Fair Parking District," as established by section 60.711 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code.

(5) No vehicle shall be parked in any alley in the congested district, as the term "congested district" is defined in section 151.02(5), except for purposes of loading and unloading, and then only for the length of time reasonably necessary therefor.

(6) No vehicle shall be parked in any alley outside the congested district, as the term "congested district" is defined in section 151.02(5), except for purposes of loading and unloading unless at least ten (10) feet of the alley be left available for the free movement of traffic.

(7) No vehicle shall be parked or left standing upon the private property of any person without the consent of such property owner.

(8) No vehicle shall be parked on any street or alley for more than forty-eight (48) hours.

(9) No vehicle or combination of vehicles except those licensed under Chapter 331A.04 (d)(17) as a mobile food vehicle, or those registered as recreational vehicles pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, § 168.013, subdivision 1g(1988) or, twenty-two (22) feet or more in length and seven (7) feet or more in width, measured between the two (2) most widely separated points or proportions on either side of such vehicle or combination of vehicles, shall be parked on any street or alley for more than thirty (30) minutes, or for a time longer than reasonably necessary to load or unload such vehicle or combination of vehicles.

(10) No vehicle or any part of a vehicle shall be parked in any alley outside the congested district, as the term "congested district" is defined in section 151.02(5), except for the purpose of loading and unloading, within five (5) feet of any driveway or garage entrance or on the side of an alley opposite any driveway or garage entrance within twenty (20) feet of said driveway or garage entrance.

(11) No person shall park any vehicle or allow any vehicle to remain parked or stopped upon any street or alley in the city within one hundred (100) feet of any place where tree trimming is being performed by the department of parks and recreation or a designee; and the director of parks and recreation is hereby authorized to procure signs of such size as to be easily legible indicating that tree trimming work is in progress and that parking is banned within one hundred (100) feet of the location of such work; and the director or his/her designee is further authorized to place or cause to be placed a sufficient number of such signs in each and every location where tree trimming is being or is about to be carried out so as to inform the public of the parking restriction in the area.

(12) No vehicle designed, used or maintained for the transportation of garbage or rubbish, whether licensed or unlicensed, shall be parked or left standing on any private property, street or alley in any class R-1, 2, 3, or 4, RT-1, 2, or RM-1, 2, or 3 district for more than thirty (30) minutes.

(13) Commercial vehicles; parking restrictions:

No vehicle defined herein as commercial or overweight shall be parked overnight or stored on property zoned residential or occupied exclusively as residential nor shall any such vehicle, excluding a school bus where its driver parks the bus at the curb abutting the driver's residential property or on the driver's residential property, said property being the address on the driver's Minnesota driver license, for up to a

maximum four hour period, which is within or abutting, including across a street or alley, from an R-1 through R-4, RT-1, RT-2, or RM-1 through RM-3 Zoning District, shall be permitted to stop, stand or park on any street, unless such vehicle is actually engaged in the loading or unloading of passengers or materials from the vehicle or is actually engaged in the providing of services at that location, or in compliance with official traffic-control devices or the direction of a police officer.

Notwithstanding the above limitations, if a resident of a residential zoned area of the city complains to the city's school liaison person, of the disturbance of any parked school bus in their area, the city's liaison person shall submit a written letter of concern to the school district.

(Code 1956, § 144.04; Ord. No. 17376, § 1, 7-29-86; Ord. No. 17479, §§ 1, 2, 7-29-87; Ord. No. 17648, § 1, 4-13-89; Ord. No. 17668, § 1, 7-13-89; Ord. No. 17782, § 1, 11-6-90; C.F. 99-1202, § 1, 1-12-00; C.F. No. 00-164, § 1, 3-22-00; C.F. No. 09-81, § 6, 2-11-09; C.F. No. 09-1288, § 1, 3-3-10)