

Town of Norway, Maine  
Parking Ordinance for Municipal Parking Lots

**Section A. Municipal Parking Lots:**

1. For the purpose of this Article, "Municipal Parking Lots" are hereby defined as lots of land controlled and set aside by the Town of Norway as off-street parking areas for the parking of vehicles. Such areas are for public usage under regulations of this Article.
2. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this Article for any person to permit any motor vehicle owned by or under the control of such person to remain or stand in any municipal parking lot at any time unless such vehicle complies with the laws of the State of Maine made and established for the registration and inspection.
3. No person shall park any vehicle in any municipal parking lot in the Town of Norway for a period exceeding the posted limit or, in the case of unposted lots, forty-eight (48) hours at any one (1) time.
4. ***From November 15 to May 15:***  
All vehicles shall park on the **BLUE** side of municipal parking lots on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. All vehicles shall park on the **RED** side on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
5. ***From April 15 to June 15:***  
Parking ban as needed for sweeping in-town streets. Notices will be posted 48-hours in advance of the parking ban.
6. ***From June 15 to November 22:***  
Parking ban as needed on Main Street for street sweeping. Notices will be posted on Main Street 48 hours in advance.
7. It shall be prima facie evidence that the registered owner of the vehicle is the violator and shall be punished by a fine and subject to towing, as noted in Section D, Violations and Penalties.

## **Section B: Emergency Towing**

1. Vehicles left unattended in a public street or parking lot may be towed without giving prior notice upon order of the Chief of Police or his/her designee to an appropriate towing firm when such vehicles interfere with the Town's ability to deal with emergency situations, including but not limited to the following:

- Snow removal operations
- Firefighting operations
- Police activity, including maintaining civil order
- Street sweeping
- Utility services
- Ambulance services
- Traffic control or flow
- Municipal parking lots

## **Section C: Owner responsibility for towing fees & recovery**

1. The owner of a vehicle towed in compliance with this ordinance shall be responsible for paying towing and storage costs to the towing firm and shall be responsible for recovering the vehicle from the place of impoundment. These costs are separate from municipal penalties listed in Section D.

## **Section D: Violations and Penalties**

1. Penalties for violations shall be as follows:
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| First offense:  | \$10.00 (ten dollars)     |
| Second offense:   | \$15.00 (fifteen dollars) |
| Third offense:  | \$30.00 (thirty dollars)  |
| Illegal parking in a designated<br>handicapped parking space: | \$40.00 (forty dollars)   |
2. Payment within seven (7) days of issuance of ticket will reduce payment by 50% (fifty percent).

### **Section E. Prosecution of Violation**

1. If fines are not paid within thirty (30) days of violation, the legally listed owner of the motor vehicle that was noted as being illegally parked shall be issued a civil citation, not to exceed \$25.00 (twenty-five dollars), if adjudicated to having committed the offense alleged.

### **Section F. Habitual Offenders**

1. Any person who commits more than six (6) offenses within the period of one (1) year and adjudicated to have committed the offenses alleged, may be designated by the Chief of Police as an Habitual Offender and shall be issued a civil citation to District Court in South Paris, Maine, and subject to a fine not to exceed \$50.00 (fifty dollars).

### **Section G. Enforcement**

1. The Chief of Police or his/her designee of the Town of Norway shall be responsible for enforcement of this ordinance.