



School Zone Safety



A GUIDE TO DRIVING AND PARKING IN A SCHOOL ZONE

Safety Considerations:

For the safety of your children, please obey all speed limits and traffic laws. Use the guidelines listed in this brochure to be in compliance with parking regulations. When driving, yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and other vehicles at cross walks and intersections. If your school has one, use the drop off zone to unload your children. Do not leave your vehicle other than to assist your children in opening the door or exiting from the vehicle. Please do not unload your children from the traffic lane or allow them to walk between parked vehicles. If you wish to escort small children to the school gate; find a legal parking space (see guidelines) close to the school and walk your child. Do not cross in the middle of the street, but walk to the nearest safe intersection or crosswalk and follow the directions of crossing guards.

Park or Parking:

“Park or parking” means the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, other than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading merchandise or passengers.

CVC 463



Speed Limits:

The speed limit in school zones is 25 mph when children are present, unless the posted signs show lower speed.

CVC 22352(a)(2)(B)



Crossing Guards:

It is unlawful to disobey the traffic directions of a crossing guard.

CVC 2815



Crosswalks:

You may not stop or park blocking a marked crosswalk. Vehicles must yield right-of-way to pedestrians in a marked crosswalk or unmarked crosswalk at an intersection.

CVC 21970, 22500(a)&(b), 21950



No Stopping Signs:

You may not stop or park your vehicle, whether occupied or not.

CVC 22505, 22506, 22507



Double Parking/ Unlawful Curb Parking:

You may not park on the street adjacent to another parked vehicle. Vehicles parked must be within 18” from the curb.

CVC 22500(h), CVC 22502(A)



Red Curbs:

No stopping, standing, or parking, whether the vehicle is attended or unattended.

CVC 21458(a)(1), RCMC 10.44.020(D)



Fire Hydrants:

You may not park within 15 feet of a fire hydrant.

CVC 22514(a)



Permit Parking Only:

You may not park in the areas designated by signs as Permit Parking Only unless you have a parking permit displayed on your vehicle. Permits are issued at City Hall.

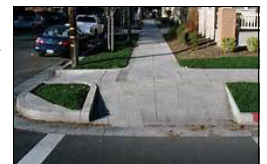
CVC 22507, RCMC 10.50.130



Parked Blocking a Driveway or Sidewalk:

You may not park blocking a driveway, or in a driveway blocking any portion of a sidewalk.

CVC 22500(e)(f)





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Parked Blocking Wheelchair Access to Sidewalk:

You may not park blocking a wheelchair access ramp.

CVC 22500(I)



Disabled Parking:

Unless your vehicle displays a disabled license plate or placard, you may not park in parking spaces designated for the disabled by blue lines or signs, nor in the cross hatched area adjacent to them.

CVC 22507.8



Passing a Stopped School Bus:

When approaching a school bus, from either direction, that is stopped for the loading or unloading of school children, and which displays a flashing red light signal and stop signal arm, you must immediately stop and shall not proceed until the flashing red light and stop arm cease operation.

CVC 22454



“Walk” and “Don’t Walk”

“Don’t Walk” or “Raised Hand” lights mean do not start across the street. Flashing “Don’t Walk” or “Raised Hand” light mean the traffic signal is about to change and you may not start across the street. If the flashing starts after you have already started to cross, finish crossing the street as quickly as possible.

CVC 21454, 21456.1



Fire Lanes:

You may not park or leave your vehicle standing, whether attended or unattended, in any location, public or private, that is designated as a fire lane.

CVC 22500.1



Yellow Curb (Loading/Unloading Zone):

Loading zones shall be indicated by yellow paint upon the top of all curbs in said zones. Yellow means no stopping, standing or parking at any time between 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM on any day except Sundays and holidays for any purpose other than actively loading or unloading passengers.

CVC 10.44.010, RCMC 10.48.010(B)



Jaywalking:

You may not cross in the middle of a street that has a traffic control signal at each adjacent intersection.

CVC 21954, 21955



In response to concerns about traffic issues around school zones and the safety of the children in those areas, the Rancho Cucamonga Police Department provides the following guidelines with intent to educate the citizens and enhance public safety on the roadways in compliance with the California Vehicle Code (CVC) and the City of Rancho Cucamonga Municipal Code (RCMC).