

Civic Works Committee

Overnight Parking Across Ontario

The following information has been retrieved through the respective cities' municipal websites.

Toronto

City of Toronto residents can obtain a temporary on-street parking permit for their guests for either a 24-hour or a 48-hour time period.

Permits, which are required for vehicles to be parked on streets designed for permit parking, can be obtained on-line. The cost for a 24-hour permit is eight dollars while a 48-hour permit is \$12.

These permits will provide convenience – allowing guests to stay overnight or for a weekend. And it takes away the possibility of getting a parking ticket.

All you need is access to a computer and printer, credit card, and just a couple of minutes to fill out some basic information in order to get the permit. Click on toronto.ca/transportation and follow the simple, step-by-step procedure. Weekly on-street parking permits can also be obtained through this method.

Residents can also apply for an overnight on-street parking permit in person at Toronto City Hall, Etobicoke Civic Centre and East York Civic Centre. For more information about the City's parking permits, call 311.

1-416-542-3195 x 311

Temporary (resident/visitor): Temporary parking permits may be obtained to provide 24-hour, 48-hour and weekly on-street parking within the limits of a permit parking street or area provided space is available.

- Temporary permits purchased on-line can be purchased up to a maximum of 1 week in advance of the date required.
- Temporary permits purchased at a Permit Parking office can be purchased up to a maximum of 2 weeks in advance of the date required. Temporary permits issued from a Permit Parking office can also be purchased for up to a maximum of 8 consecutive weeks.
- Temporary permits are non-refundable

How permit parking is implemented

Permit parking is implemented on either a street name basis where parking is restricted to one

specific street or on an areas basis where a number of streets have been grouped into permit areas in order to maximize the available parking.

In areas-based permit parking, residents may park on any licensed street within their permit area, but are not guaranteed a parking space on their specific street. Area-based permit parking provides greater flexibility by enabling permit holders to park not only on their licensed street but on other licensed street within their area should space not be available on the street where they live. Within each permit area there may be significant differences in the operation hours of the permit parking program. For example, in the Toronto community, there are currently over 60 unique combinations of permit parking operating hours which were developed over time, in consultation with area Councillors and community representatives in response to specific concerns e.g. long-term non-resident parking. These operation hours are clearly posted at regular intervals on each street licensed for permit parking within the area.

Ottawa

The On-Street Residential Monthly Parking Program is in effect within certain zones in the City of Ottawa. To qualify for permit privileges, residents must live in a zone that allows permit parking and prove that they do not have access to off-street parking.

Residents may be granted a permit holder exemption from City of Ottawa Traffic and Parking - By-Laws to park up to 48 hours in the same spot and be excluded from winter overnight parking restrictions between November 15 and April 1. Daytime or night-time planned snow removal restrictions apply to all vehicles, including those with an On-Street Monthly Parking Permit.

An On-Street Monthly Parking Permit may be cancelled if the permit holder fails to conform to permit regulations.

- The cost per vehicle per month is \$56 plus HST. An annual permit is available for \$620.52 + HST (a \$58 savings). Refunds will not be issued for a period of less than 30 days before the expiry date. The cost of a replacement permit is \$10 plus HST.

Waterloo

Under the City of Waterloo Traffic By-law [#08-077](#) parking is not permitted "on a city highway between the hours of 2:30am and 6:00am on any day of the week."

Every household within the City of Waterloo is allowed a maximum of eighteen (18) exemptions per calendar year.

Exemptions are for visitor's vehicle(s) and/or your driveway is being repaired/resurfaced, etc. which does not permit you to access your driveway.

You can register by:

- calling 519-747-8559

Kitchener

No vehicle is permitted to park for more than three consecutive hours on any city street unless signs are posted to indicate otherwise.

Vehicles are not permitted to park on city streets from 2:30 a.m. to 6 a.m. from Dec. 1 to March 31.

Tag-and-tow bylaw (winter)

The tag-and-tow bylaw prohibits parking on any city street at any time when a "snow event" is declared by the city's director of operations, to provide safe and efficient access for the city's operations crews to plow the streets. The declaration will be based on credible weather forecast information, when a significant snowfall is forecast.

During "snow events," enforcement staff will be asked to attend locations where parked vehicles are impeding the snow-removal equipment from clearing the street. Enforcement staff will assess the situation and may tag-and-tow some of the vehicles on the street to help the plows get by.

Vehicles will not be tagged and towed based on calls from the public.

Enforcement will only tow the number of vehicles necessary to allow access for the snow-removal equipment. It is possible that only a certain number of vehicles on a street will be removed, regardless of how many are actually present and in violation of the bylaw.

Cambridge

City of Cambridge bylaws do not allow anyone to be parked on streets between 2:30am and 6:00am.

Hamilton

Parking in Hamilton is limited to twelve hours unless otherwise posted. Parking is prohibited on all through streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. This regulation is posted at all major entrances to the City. These prohibitions are in place to ensure that all corrective, scheduled or other road maintenance can be completed. Through streets are those city roadways that display rush hour, snow route signage and/or are main bus routes. You may contact our customer service representatives at (905) 540-6000 to determine whether or not a particular street is considered a through street.