

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
CITY OF NOVI

ORDINANCE NO. 25~~\_\_\_\_\_81.26~~

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 33, "TRAFFIC AND MOTOR VEHICLES", ARTICLE II, "UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE," DIVISION 2, "ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS," SUBDIVISION 5, "STOPPING, STANDING, PARKING," IN ORDER TO ADD STANDARDS RELATING TO PARKING ON NARROW STREETS AND IN SPECIAL PLACES.

**THE CITY OF NOVI ORDAINS:**

**PART I.** That Chapter 33, "Traffic and Motor Vehicles," Article II, "Uniform Traffic Code," Division 2, "Additional Regulations," Subdivision 5, "Stopping, Standing, Parking," is hereby added to read as follows in its entirety:

**SUBDIVISION 5. STOPPING, STANDING, PARKING**

**Sec. 33-501. Parking in a manner that obstructs traffic; violation as civil infraction.**

- (a) A person shall not park any vehicle on a street in a manner that leaves an insufficient width of the roadway available for free movement of a vehicular traffic. Less than 10 feet in width shall in all cases be considered a restriction on the free movement of vehicular traffic. On narrow streets, where vehicles parked across from each other on opposite sides of the street will potentially obstruct traffic, a person shall, to the extent it is safe and available for use (e.g., flat surface or improved with gravel or stone or similar treatment) use the shoulder or a portion of it to ensure a sufficient width for free movement.
- (b) A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction and/or impoundment.

**Sec. 33-502. Parking prohibited in specified places.**

- (a) A vehicle shall not be parked, except if necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the law or the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device, in any of the following places:
  - (1) On a sidewalk;
  - (2) In front of a public or private driveway;
  - (3) Within an intersection;

- (4) Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant;
- (5) On a crosswalk;
- (6) Within twenty (20) feet of a crosswalk, or if there is not a crosswalk, then within fifteen (15) feet of the intersection of property lines at an intersection of highways;
- (7) Within thirty (30) feet of the approach to a flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic-control signal located at the side of a highway;
- (8) Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within thirty (30) feet of a point on the curb immediately opposite the end of a safety zone, unless a different length is indicated by an official sign or marking;
- (9) Within fifty (50) feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;
- (10) Within twenty (20) feet of the driveway entrance to a fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to a fire station within seventy-five (75) feet of the entrance if properly marked by an official sign;
- (11) Alongside or opposite a street excavation or obstruction, if the stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
- (12) On the roadway side of a vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- (13) Upon a bridge or other elevated highway structure or within a highway tunnel;
- (14) At a place where an official sign prohibits stopping or parking;
- (15) Within five hundred (500) feet of an accident at which a police officer is in attendance;
- (16) In front of a theater;
- (17) In a place or in a manner which blocks immediate egress from an emergency exit conspicuously marked as an emergency exit of a building;
- (18) In a place or in a manner which blocks or hampers the immediate use of an immediate egress from a fire escape conspicuously marked as a fire escape providing an emergency means of egress from a building;
- (19) In a parking space clearly identified by an official sign as being reserved for use by handicappers which is on public property or private property available for public use, unless the person is a handicapper as described in section 33-42 of this chapter or unless the person is parking the vehicle for the benefit of a handicapper. In order for the vehicle to be parked in the parking space the vehicle shall display one (1) of the following:

- a. A certificate of identification issued under section 675(5) of the act (MCL 257.675(5), MSA 9.2375(5)) to a handicapper on the lower left corner of the front windshield.
  - b. A special registration plate issued under section 803(d) of the act (MCL 257.803d, MSA 9.2503(4)).
  - c. A similar certificate of identification issued by another state to a handicapper.
  - d. A similar special registration plate issued by another state to a handicapper.
- (20) In violation of an official sign restricting the period of time for or manner of parking;
  - (21) In a space controlled or regulated by a meter on a public highway or in a publicly owned parking area or structure, if the allowable time for parking indicated on the meter has expired;
  - (22) On a street in such a way as to obstruct the delivery of mail to a rural mailbox by a carrier of the United States postal service.
  - (23) Places for stopping, standing and parking shall be clearly marked in all parking areas or private roads and no person shall stop, stand or park a motor vehicle other than within such marked places.
- (b) A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction and/or impoundment of their vehicle.

**Sec. 33-503. Parking on narrow streets and at special placesReserved.**

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, the Traffic Engineer is authorized to sign the following places and, when so signed, no person shall stop, stand/or park a vehicle in any of the places:
  - (1) When the width of the street or roadway does not exceed twenty (20) feet, or upon one side of a street or roadway, as indicated by such signs, when the width of the street or roadway does not exceed thirty (30) feet;
  - (2) At any place where traffic and engineering studies have been made and the Traffic Engineer determines that it is necessary in order to eliminate dangerous traffic hazards or to provide for the orderly movement of traffic and emergency response vehicles.
- (b) When signs authorized by provisions of this section are in place, giving notice of the provisions thereof, no person shall stop, stand/or park any vehicle contrary to the directions and provisions of such signs. A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

**Sec. 33-504. In passenger curb loading zone prohibited during certain hours; exception; violation as civil infraction.**

- (a) A person shall not stop, stand, or park a vehicle for any purpose or period of time, except for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers, in any place marked as a passenger curb loading zone during hours when the provisions applicable to such passenger curb loading zone are effective, and then only for a period of not more than five (5) minutes.
- (b) A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

**Sec. 33-505. In freight curb loading zone prohibited during certain hours; exception; violation as civil infraction.**

- (a) A person shall not stop, stand or park a vehicle for any purpose or period of time, except for the expeditious unloading and delivery or pickup and loading of materials, in any place marked as a freight curb loading zone during hours when the provisions applicable to such zones are in effect.
- (b) A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

**Secs. 33-506—33-600. Reserved.**

**PART II.**

**Severability.** Should any section, subdivision, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or in part, shall not be affected other than the part invalidated.

**PART III.**

**Savings Clause.** The amendment of the Novi Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance does not affect or impair any act done, offense committed, or right accruing, accrued, or acquired or liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment, pending or incurred prior to the amendment of the Novi Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance.

**PART IV.**

**Repealer.** All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**PART V.**

**Effective Date.** The provisions of this Ordinance are ordered to take effect following publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Novi.

**PART VI.**

**Adoption.** This ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Novi City Council in a meeting thereof duly held and called on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, in order to be given publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter of the City of Novi.

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Justin Fischer, Mayor

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Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

**Certificate of Adoption**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the ordinance adopted at the regular meeting of the Novi City Council held on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Cortney Hanson, City Clerk