CHAPTER 9 – VEHICLES & TRAFFIC

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Section 9-6-101 to 199, inclusive. Parking and parking meters - general provisions.

Sections 9-6-101  Method of parking.

A. All vehicles in the city shall be parked parallel to the curb, headed in the direction of traffic with the curb-side wheels of the vehicle within twelve inches of the curb and no closer than four feet to any other vehicle, front or rear. Provided, however, that certain streets or portions of streets may be designated for diagonal parking by placing appropriate signs or marks on the street or curb indicating diagonal parking. Where diagonal parking is required, as herein before provided, vehicles shall be parked at a forty-five degree angle with the front wheels touching the curb.

B. Provided, however, motorcycles may be parked diagonally with either the front or rear wheel
touching the curb at any location. No parking space shall be occupied by more than one automobile or by more than 4 motorcycles, provided that said motorcycles do not exceed the space normally occupied by one automobile. All motorcycles will be cited if violation occurs.

Source: Ord. no. 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

Statutory reference: SDCL 9-31-5, establishment and use of parking meters - use of proceeds.

Section 9-6-102 Overtime parking.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle on a street, alley or public place for a longer period than twenty-four (24) hours, except that currently licensed motor vehicles as defined in Section 9-1-101 may be parked for not more than ninety-six (96) hours.

B. No person shall leave any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked or junked vehicle on any street or highway within the city for more than twenty-four (24) hours, except that currently licensed motor vehicles as defined in Section 9-1-101 may be parked for not more than ninety-six (96) hours.

C. No person shall allow any vehicle as defined in Section 9-1-101 to remain parked on any Non-Emergency Snow Route street or highway more than twenty-four (24) hours after two inches of snow has accumulated and until the snow has been plowed to the curb line.


Statutory reference: SDCL 9-31-5, establishment and use of parking meters - use of proceeds.

Section 9-6-103 Designation of time zones for parking - overtime parking.

The commission may limit the time which a vehicle may be parked on certain streets or sections of streets by erecting appropriate signs marking the area or parking spaces affected which clearly state the time limit for parking and the hours of the day which the limit is in effect. It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in any zone so designated for a longer period than stated on said signs.

Source: Ord. no. 701, 1961; 1231, 1989; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

Statutory reference: SDCL 9-31-5, establishment and use of parking meters - use of proceeds.

Section 9-6-104 Unlawful to park in alleys.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in any public alley within the city except that trucks and other vehicles may stop in such alleys for the purpose of loading or unloading
merchandise or materials.

**Source:** Ord. no. 753, 1965; 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Section 9-6-105** Unlawful to park in areas designated for theaters.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in that portion of the street immediately adjacent to and in front of any theater and the extent of such restricted parking area shall be marked "no parking" signs erected at the ends of such restricted areas.

**Source:** Ord. No. 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Section 9-6-106** Unlawful to double park.

It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to stop, stand or park such vehicle on the roadway side of any other vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street except when temporarily engaged in the loading or unloading of passengers or materials.

**Source:** Ord. No. 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Section 9-6-107** Unlawful for certain trucks to park diagonally.

It shall be unlawful for the operator of any truck exceeding twenty feet in overall length to park such vehicle diagonally on any street within the city limits.

**Source:** Ord. no. 753, 1965; 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Section 9-6-108** Unlawful to park, stand or stop so as to impede traffic.

It shall be unlawful for any operator to stop, stand or park any vehicle in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than ten feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic except that this provision shall not apply to the operator of a vehicle stopped momentarily during the actual loading or unloading of passengers if such stopping does not actually impede traffic, nor shall it apply to a necessary stop in obedience to traffic regulations of traffic signs or signals of a police officer.

**Source:** Ord. No. 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Section 9-6-109** Unlawful to park vehicle advertised for sale for more than two hours.

It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle contrary to the following provisions:
A. No person shall park any vehicle in a city operated parking lot continuously for more than ninety-six hours.

B. Vehicles shall be parked in city operated parking lots only within marked parking spaces except when temporarily engaged in the loading or unloading of passengers or materials. Only one vehicle shall be parked in each space except four motorcycles may be parked therein if completely within the marked parking space. If there are more than four motorcycles in any one space, all will be in violation of this provision.

C. No person shall park any vehicle in a city operated parking lot or on any street in the business district for more than two hours continuously, which displays thereon any advertisement, notice or placard advertising or giving notice that such vehicle is for sale.

D. No person shall park any vehicle in a city operated parking lot in violation of any restrictions or directions as to parking, which are contained on clearly visible signs placed therein.


**Section 9-6-110 Places designated as unlawful for parking, standing or stopping - exceptions.**

It shall be unlawful for the operator of a vehicle to stop, stand or park such vehicle on any of the following places, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal.

A. Within an intersection;
B. On a crosswalk or within twenty (20) feet of a crosswalk;
C. Within fifteen (15) feet of inside boundary line of the sidewalk or, if no sidewalk is in place, within twenty five (25) feet of the intersecting roadway. Provided, that this section shall not apply to alleys;
D. Within fifteen (15) feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station, or directly across the street from such entrance;
E. At any place where official traffic signs prohibit parking;
F. Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant;
G. In front of a public or private driveway;
H. On a sidewalk;
I. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;
J. Parking against direction of traffic;
K. Where the curb has been painted yellow;
L. Parking in the boulevard area of the street or the right-of-way;
M. On any railroad tracks;
N. In any public alley within the city except that trucks and other vehicles may stop in such alleys for the purpose of loading or unloading merchandise or materials.
Section 9-6-111 Unlawful to park in loading and unloading zones except as specified.

A. It shall be unlawful for the operator of a vehicle to stop, stand or park said vehicle for a period of time longer than necessary for the actual loading or unloading of passengers in any place where parking is restricted or prohibited.

B. It shall be unlawful for the operator of a vehicle to stop, stand or park said vehicle for a period of time longer than is necessary for the actual loading or unloading of passengers or for the unloading and delivery or pickup and loading of materials in any place marked as loading zone.

Source: Ord. no. 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

Section 9-6-112 No parking in spaces provided for handicapped - exceptions.

No operator shall park anywhere in the City, a vehicle in any parking space on public or private property which is clearly designated or reserved for the physically handicapped except a physically handicapped person who displays license plates with the international wheelchair insignia, or other appropriate insignia, on an automobile parked by him or under his direction and for his use.

Source: Ord. no. 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

Section 9-6-113 Designating of parking zones at airport.

The City of Pierre shall designate, upon the motor vehicle parking area at the Pierre Municipal Airport, four zones: one zone providing for a limit of two hour parking, one zone providing for twenty-four hour parking, and one zone providing for unlimited parking, and the City of Pierre shall also designate one zone for loading and unloading zone. Said four zones shall be designated by posting appropriate signs thereon, and it shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in said zones for a period longer than that which has been posted and designated.


Section 9-6-114 Unlawful to park on snow route.

The City Commission is authorized and empowered to determine and establish upon any street or highway within the City, or any part thereof, emergency snow routes whereupon, when signs have been erected giving Notice thereof, it shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand, park or leave unattended any motor vehicle upon such snow route after two inches of snow has accumulated and the City has declared an Emergency Snow Routes (ESR) – Snow Alert. Vehicles may return to parking on designated emergency snow routes only after the City has lifted the ESR Snow Alert declaration.
A vehicle in violation of section 9-6-102 C. for remaining on a street or highway not designated as a snow route and which requires removal shall be subject to a fine as for a violation of this section.

**CITY OF PIERRE**

**EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTES**

Created by Ordinance No. 1006

- Airport Road (5) from Garfield Avenue to its Terminus Broadway
- Broadway Avenue (3) from Highland Avenue to Harrison Avenue
- Capitol Avenue from Lakeside Lane to Truck Route
- Central Avenue from Eighth Street to Dakota Avenue
- Church Street from Highland Avenue to Harrison Avenue
- Country Drive (7) from Lakeside Lane to River Rim Drive
- Dakota Avenue from Sioux Avenue to Taylor Avenue
- Dakota Avenue (4) from Taylor Avenue to Garfield Avenue
- Elizabeth Street from Capitol Avenue to Euclid Avenue
- Elizabeth Street (2) from Highland Avenue to Euclid Avenue
- Euclid Avenue (8) from Sixth Street to Pleasant Drive
- Fourth Street (9) from Oneida Avenue to Garfield Avenue
- Garfield Avenue (4) from Dakota Avenue to Park Street
- Harrison Avenue from Church Street to Wells Avenue
- Harrison Avenue (1) from Church Street to Truck Route
- Harrison Avenue (1) from Wells Avenue to Dakota Avenue
- Highland Avenue from Church Street to Sioux Avenue
- Highland Avenue (2) from Church Street to Second Street
- Highway 14 / 83 (8) from Sixth Street to SD Highway 1804
- Huron Avenue (1) from Prospect Avenue to Pleasant Drive
- Jefferson Avenue from Church Street to Wells Avenue
- Lowell Avenue (9) from Park Street to SD Highway 34
- Oneida Street (9) from Third Street to Fourth Street
- Pierre Street from Pleasant Drive to Missouri Avenue
- Park Street (9) from Garfield Avenue to Lowell Avenue
- Polk Street from Capitol Avenue to Wells Avenue
- Poplar Avenue from Fifth Street to Dakota Avenue
- Pleasant Drive (9) from Pierre Street to Euclid Avenue
- Sioux Avenue (1) from Dakota Avenue to Washington Avenue
- Sioux Avenue (6) from Washington Avenue to Harrison Avenue
- Second Street (2) from Highland Avenue to Euclid Avenue
- Taylor Avenue from Capitol Avenue to Bluebell Drive
- Taylor Avenue (4) from Bluebell Drive to Harrison Avenue
- Third Street (9) from Poplar Avenue to Oneida Avenue
- Wells Avenue from Capitol Avenue to Washington Avenue
- Wells Avenue (1) from Washington Avenue to Pierce Avenue
- Abby Road (10) from Fourth Street to Brookstone Loop
- Brookstone Loop (10) from Abby Road to Truck Route
Section 9-6-115 Unlawful to abandon vehicle or leave it under such circumstances as to appear abandoned.

No person shall abandon vehicle within the city and no person shall leave any vehicle at any place within the city for such time and under such circumstances as to cause such vehicle reasonably to appear to have been abandoned.

Source: Rev. of Ord., 1990.

Section 9-6-116 Parking meters and parking meter zones designations of parking meter time and deposits thereof.

The City Commission, by resolution, may establish parking meter zone streets, avenues and municipally owned parking lots or parts thereof as traffic conditions from time to time may require.

The city shall cause parking meters to be installed in said parking meter zone and shall cause parking meter spaces to be designated as hereinafter provided and shall fix the time limitations for legal parking in such zones and the hours during the day and night when the parking meter or meters must be used and when the time limitations shall be effective in compliance with the provisions of this article and shall indicate the time limitations by designating the same on the parking meter or meters or by appropriate signs posted in proximity to said meter to meters in said zone.

Any operator who shall permit any vehicle to be so parked contrary to the provisions hereof shall be subject to the penalties herein provided.

The City Commission, from time to time upon such terms and conditions as it determines, may designate areas and times within the Parking Meter Zone wherein free parking will be permitted.


Statutory reference: SDCL 9-31-5, establishment and use of parking meters - use of proceeds.

Section 9-6-117 City's authority concerning the acquisition, use and maintenance of parking meters.
The city is authorized to provide for the purchase, acquisition, installation, operation, maintenance, supervision, regulation and use of the parking meters provided for in this article and to maintain the meters in good workable condition.

**Source:** Ord. N. 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Statutory reference:** SDCL 9-31-5, establishment and use of parking meters - use of proceeds.

**Section 9-6-118 Placement, legend and general requirements of parking meters.**

Parking meters installed in the parking meter zone shall be placed upon the curb immediately adjacent to the individual parking places herein described or in front of and abutting upon the individual parking spaces designated. Each parking meter shall be placed or set in such a manner as to show or display by a signal that the parking space adjacent to such is or is not legally in use. Each parking meter installed shall indicate by a proper legend the legal parking time established by the city and when operated shall indicate on or by its dial and pointer the duration of the period of legal parking and on expiration of such period shall indicate illegal or over-parking.

**Source:** Ord. No. 753, 1965; 701, 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Statutory reference:** SDCL 9-31-5, establishment and use of parking meters - use of proceeds.

**Section 9-6-119 Unlawful to park outside of space marked for use of parking meter - designation and marking of parking space for meters.**

The city shall have lines or markings painted or placed upon the curb and/or upon the street adjacent to such parking meter for the purpose of designating the parking space for which said meter is to be used and each vehicle parking adjacent to or next to any parking meter shall park within the lines or markings so established. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this article to park any vehicle across any such line or markings or to park said vehicle in such position that the same shall not be entirely within the area so designated by such lines and markings.

**Source:** Ord. No. 701. 1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.

**Section 9-6-120 Manner of parking where meters provided for parallel parking.**

When a parking space in any parking meter zone is parallel with the adjacent curb or sidewalk, any vehicle parked in such parking space shall be parked with the foremost part of said vehicle nearest to such meter.

**Source:** Ord. No. 701.1961; Rev. of Ord., 1990.
Section 9-6-121  Unlawful to park in meter zone without setting meter in operation by deposit of necessary coins - exceptions.

When a vehicle shall be parked in any space adjacent to which a parking meter is located in accordance with the provisions of this article the operator of said vehicle shall, upon entering the said parking space, immediately deposit or cause to be deposited a twenty-five cent, ten cent, five cent or one cent coin as indicated upon such parking meter for the time such parking space is to be occupied by such vehicle. Failure to deposit such coin and put the meter in operation shall constitute a violation of this article. Upon the deposit of such coins and placing said meter in operation, the parking space may be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during the period of parking time which has been prescribed for that part of the street in which parking space is located and designated on said parking meter. If said vehicle shall remain parked in any such parking space beyond the parking time limit fixed for such parking space, the parking meter shall by its dial and pointer indicate such illegal parking and in that event such vehicle shall be considered as parking overtime and beyond the period of legal parking time, and the parking of a vehicle overtime or beyond the period of legal parking time in any such part of a street where any such meter is located shall be a violation of this article and punished as hereinafter set out.

Commercial trucks may park in the parking zone to load or to unload merchandise without depositing coins for a period of not exceeding thirty minutes. Should any truck or delivery car be parked longer than thirty minutes said violator will be subject to the penalties prescribed for the violation of this article.


Section 9-6-122  Unlawful to allow any vehicle to be parked over-time or in excess of meter time.

It shall be unlawful and a violation of the provisions of this chapter for any person to cause, allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in the name of or operated by such person to be parked overtime or beyond the period of legal parking time established for any parking meter zone herein described.


Section 9-6-123  Unlawful to allow any vehicle to remain in any parking space when meter signal indicates time expired.

It shall be unlawful and a violation of the provisions of this article for any person to permit any vehicle to remain in any parking space adjacent to any parking meter while said meter is displaying a signal indicating that the vehicle occupying such parking space has already been parked beyond the period of time prescribed for such parking space.

Section 9-6-124  Unlawful to interfere with, damage or destroy any parking meter.

It shall be unlawful and a violation of the provisions of this article for any person to deface, injure, tamper with, open or willfully break, destroy or impair the usefulness of any parking meter installed under the provisions of this article.


Section 9-6-125  Unlawful to deposit any slug, substance or device other than a coin in any parking meter.

It shall be unlawful and a violation of this article to deposit or cause to be deposited in any parking meter any slug, device or metallic substance or any other substance except the coins or coin described in this article.


Section 9-6-126  Duty of police to service and maintain parking meters, collect funds and make certain reports.

It shall be the duty of the police officers or other city employees of the city acting in accordance with the instructions issued by the chief of police to report to the police department:

A. The number of each parking meter which indicates that the vehicle occupying the parking space adjacent to such parking meter is or has been parking in violation of any of the provisions of this article;

B. The time during which such vehicle is parking in violation of the provisions of this article;

C. The state license number of such vehicle;

D. Any other facts, a knowledge of which is necessary to a thorough understanding of the circumstances attending any such violation. Each such police officer shall also attach to such vehicle a notice to the owner and operator thereof that such vehicle has been parked in violation of the provisions of this article and instruction such owner or operator to report at the police department of the city in regard to such violation; and,

E. To attend, service and maintain such parking meters, collect funds therein at regular intervals and pay the same over to the city treasurer.


Section 9-6-127  Funds derived from parking meters deposited in the General Fund.
The specified coins required to be deposited in parking meters as provided herein shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund.


Section 9-6-128 Establishment of special fund known as parking meter fund. (Repealed)


Section 9-6-129 Penalties.

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this article shall be punished by a fine to be approved by the City Commission, as presented and on file at the city business office.


Statutory reference: SDCL 9-31-5, establishment and use of parking meters - use of proceeds.

Sections 9-6-130 to 199, inclusive. Reserved.