

PARKING IN THE YARD

What exactly does the Ordinance prohibit?

The Ordinance prohibits parking any motor vehicle on any portion of a front yard or side yard except on an area that is paved.

Where may I park my car?

Cars may be parked: in the garage; on the driveway or any other paved surface, except the public sidewalk; side yards as long as they have an approved hard surface or are behind a fence; in the rear yard as long as there is access; and on the street.

What is a "paved surface"?

A "paved surface" can be cement, brick, asphalt, paver, etc. It should be installed so it does not drain onto neighboring property. It is not a paved surface if only the areas under the tires are paved. In some areas of town there are existing strips of cement leading to a parking area or gravel drives - this is ok but will not be acceptable for new installations or expansion.

What if I want to report a parking in the yard violation?

Call 580-616-7213

Provide the address where the motor vehicle is parked on the lawn and location on the lawn.

How is the Ordinance enforced?

When Code Enforcement receives a complaint or a violation is observed, a letter will be sent to the registered owner of the property and, if different, occupant of the property according to the city's utility account.

What happens if the vehicle is not moved?

If the vehicle is not moved, a complaint will be filed and sent to the registered owner of the property or occupant of the property according to the city's utility account. This complaint is similar to a parking ticket in that the person receiving the notice may pay the fine without going to court. This is not a criminal citation.

How much is the fine?

The fine is \$159.00, but a new citation may be issued every day that the vehicle is discovered parked on the lawn.

