

RCW 46.61.570 Stopping, standing, or parking prohibited in specified places—Reserving portion of highway prohibited. (1) Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device, no person shall:

(a) Stop, stand, or park a vehicle:

- (i) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- (ii) On a sidewalk or street planting strip;
- (iii) Within an intersection;
- (iv) On a crosswalk;
- (v) Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within thirty feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless official signs or markings indicate a different no-parking area opposite the ends of a safety zone;
- (vi) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;
- (vii) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;
- (viii) On any railroad tracks;
- (ix) In the area between roadways of a divided highway including crossovers; or
- (x) At any place where official signs prohibit stopping.

(b) Stand or park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except momentarily to pick up or discharge a passenger or passengers:

- (i) In front of a public or private driveway or within five feet of the end of the curb radius leading thereto;
- (ii) Within fifteen feet of a fire hydrant;
- (iii) Within twenty feet of a crosswalk;
- (iv) Within thirty feet upon the approach to any flashing signal, stop sign, yield sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway;
- (v) Within twenty feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within seventy-five feet of said entrance when properly signposted; or
- (vi) At any place where official signs prohibit standing.

(c) Park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading property or passengers:

- (i) Within fifty feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing; or
- (ii) At any place where official signs prohibit parking.

(2) Parking or standing shall be permitted in the manner provided by law at all other places except a time limit may be imposed or parking restricted at other places but such limitation and restriction shall be by city ordinance or county resolution or order of the secretary of transportation upon highways under their respective jurisdictions.

(3) No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his or her control into any such prohibited area or away from a curb such a distance as is unlawful.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to reserve or attempt to reserve any portion of a highway for the purpose of stopping, standing, or parking to the exclusion of any other like person, nor

shall any person be granted such right. [1977 ex.s. c 151 s 40; 1975 c 62 s 35; 1965 ex.s. c 155 s 66.]

Rules of court: *Monetary penalty schedule—IRLJ 6.2.*

Federal requirements—1977 ex.s. c 151: See RCW 47.98.070.

Severability—1975 c 62: See note following RCW 36.75.010.

Limited access highways: RCW 47.52.120.