

Municipal Parking Tickets (Notice of Bylaw Violation)

Q *What happens if I didn't see the sign, or there was no posted sign?*

A Signs are placed in high traffic areas or when there is an exception to a rule in our Bylaws. The On-Street and Off-Street Bylaws govern where motorists can and cannot stop, park, etc., and are available on our web site at www.richmond.ca/cityhall/bylaws.htm or also at Richmond City Hall. If you have questions regarding why a sign is posted in a particular location, contact the City Transportation Department at 604-276-4388 or 604-276-4210.

Community Safety and Bylaw Enforcement Around Schools

How can you help to improve Traffic Conditions around Schools?

In BC almost 50% of all children are driven to school. By driving children to school, parent-drivers may be creating dangerous traffic conditions around schools. To help create a safe traffic environment, leave your car at home and encourage children to walk or take transit to school.

Traffic control measures and regulations are put in place to create safe conditions for all road users.

Bylaw Enforcement Officers play an important role in the community by ensuring that all road users do their part to keep roads safe and it is with this in mind that the Law and Community Safety Department has adopted a "NO NONSENSE" policy in regards to traffic safety in School Zones.

Bylaw Officers routinely attend school zones as part of their regular patrol and will issue tickets to drivers who are in violation of the traffic control devices. There is no tolerance for any safety infraction in a school zone. A reward program is in place for drivers and students who obey the traffic control devices at their schools.

You can contribute toward enhancing traffic safety for children and other road users by respecting all school zone traffic control measures and parking regulations.



City of Richmond

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Community Bylaws
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The Options You Have When You Receive a City of Richmond Parking Ticket

1. You may pay the ticket

OR

2. You may dispute the ticket through adjudication.

Ways to Pay a City Parking Ticket

1. In person at Richmond City Hall, 6911 No. 3 Road. City Hall's hours of operation are Monday to Friday 8:15am to 5:00pm. You may pay with cash, cheque, money order or by using your Interac card.
2. Through the website at www.richmond.ca/safety/parking/tickets.htm

If the first letter of your ticket number is not a "V", please add the "V" to your ticket number for searching, i.e. if your ticket number is 9123456, you would enter V9123456. (Visa or MasterCard)

3. By mail to Richmond City Hall at 6911 No. 3 Road, Richmond, BC V6Y 2C1. Cheques are payable to the City of Richmond. Please enclose either the actual ticket, or write the ticket number on the cheque before it is mailed.

How to Dispute a City of Richmond Parking Ticket

Those wishing to dispute their parking ticket must do so by first contacting the City by phone, fax or e-mail within 28 days of issuance. A Screening Officer will then review the parking ticket and cancel it, if appropriate. If the ticket is not cancelled, then the disputant is given the choice to dispute the ticket before an adjudicator.

If you schedule an adjudication hearing and do not appear, please be advised the hearing will proceed in your absence.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q *Can a ticket be mailed to me?*

A Yes, the Officer has the right to either place the ticket on the violating vehicle or mail it to the registered owner.

Q *Can I discuss the ticket with the City?*

A Yes. The intent of discussing the ticket with a Screening Officer is to clarify the violation particulars or to register for dispute adjudication. To discuss the issuance of a ticket with the City, call 604-276-4345 and follow the menu prompts.

Q *What happens if I ignore the ticket?*

A Unpaid parking tickets are forwarded to a collection agency. Also, if your vehicle is found parked unlawfully, it may be towed.

Q *Do I receive points on my licence for a parking ticket?*

A No, points are not applied for Municipal parking tickets.

Q *Who is responsible for the ticket, especially if I was not driving my vehicle at the time?*

A The registered owner is responsible for his/her vehicle at all times. Therefore, the registered owner is responsible for the ticket, regardless who was operating the vehicle at the time of the offence.

Q *What is the difference between "no stopping" and "no parking"?*

A No stopping means motorists cannot stop in that zone, whether the vehicle is occupied or not. This means the wheels on the vehicle cannot stop while in this zone, unless to move out of the way of an emergency vehicle. No parking means motorists are allowed to park the vehicle in a zone indicated as "No Parking" for up to 5 minutes, for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading of property, goods, or the discharging or taking on of passengers.