

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
BY-LAW P-500
RESPECTING PARKING METERS FOR THE REGULATION OF
PARKING OF VEHICLES LEFT STANDING IN THE
HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality pursuant to Section 153 of the Motor Vehicle Act as follows:

1. Short Title

This By-law shall be known as By-law No. P-500 and may be cited as the “Parking Meter By-law.”

2. Application

The public streets and highways in the Halifax Regional Municipality and parts thereof to which this by-law applies are those upon which, under Council authority, parking meters have from time to time been installed.

2A. Definition

In this By-law,

- (a) “parking card” means a card authorized by the Halifax Regional Municipality and used to purchase time at a parking meter.

3. Placing of Parking Meters

A parking meter installed in the Halifax Regional Municipality shall be placed on the sidewalk, near the curb or edge of the roadway, and shall designate the parking space associated with it as hereinafter set forth.

4. Parking Spaces

The parking space provided with each meter shall be of sufficient size to be accessible and accommodate one standard passenger automobile. The placing of vehicles shall be as follows:

- (1) When parking is parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway, the foremost part of the vehicle shall be placed within a space measured along the curb not more than 101 millimeters beyond the parking meter nor more than one meter in measurement to the rear of the parking meter.
- (2) When the parking is established at an angle to the edge of the roadway, this shall be appropriately marked or signed, and unless otherwise clearly indicated, a vehicle parked at an angle where parking meters have been installed shall be placed in contact

with the curb immediately to the right of the parking meter which applies to the vehicle.

(3) When two meters are supported by one standard, a vehicle shall be parked wholly within the parking space provided for each meter in a manner that no portion of the vehicle projects beyond the space.

5. Marking of Space

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this by-law, special limitations of a parking space may be clearly marked and where so marked, will govern the permissible location of a vehicle. It shall be an offence and a violation of the by-law for any person to park or leave standing any vehicle beyond such line or marking, except as provided for in Section 6.

(2) Not more than one motor vehicle shall be parked in each parking space described in Sections 4 and 5 above.

6. Large Vehicles

In the case of parallel parking, where the dimensions of a large vehicle are such that the vehicle extends into an adjacent parking space, the vehicle shall be considered to occupy all spaces so affected, and the driver shall be responsible for coin deposit in all applicable meters.

7. Indication of Time

Each parking meter installed shall have thereon an appropriate sign stating the parking time permitted in the individual parking space to which it relates. When in operation, each parking meter shall indicate by a or digital display the period of time acquired by coin deposit or parking card during which parking is permitted in the parking space to which such meter relates. Upon; and the expiration of the period of time permitted for parking, the parking meter shall indicate that parking in such space is in violation of this By-law.

8. When in Effect

Each parking meter shall bear thereon directions indicating the days and hours when the requirement to deposit coins or use a parking card therein shall apply, the value of the coins to be deposited or the amount of money transferred from the parking card, and the limited period of time for which parking is lawfully permitted in the parking space to which such meter relates.

9. Coins

When used in directions on a parking meter the required coins shall refer only to lawful money of Canada.

10. Parking Rates

The rate for parking meters within the Halifax Regional Municipality shall be set by the Council of the Municipality from time to time.

11. Parking in Excess of Time Allowed

(1) It shall be an offence and a violation of this By-law for the driver of a vehicle to park

or leave the same standing in any parking space regulated by a parking meter for a period of time in excess of the maximum period allowed by the direction set forth on such parking meters regardless of the number of coins deposited or whether the word "expired" is visible in the observation window of the parking meter or where the meter has a digital display reading "00:00".

(2) When the driver of any vehicle has parked or left standing in any parking space for a period of time in excess of the maximum period of time allowed by the directions set forth on such parking meter it shall be a new and separate offence for each additional hour that an offence continues.

12. Commercial

The driver of a commercial motor vehicle, may park or leave such commercial motor vehicle standing in any parking space for the purpose of loading or unloading goods, wares, merchandise, materials or passengers for any period of time not exceeding thirty minutes, without depositing any coin or coins in the parking meter relating to such parking space. It shall be an offence and a violation of this By-law for the driver of a commercial motor vehicle to park or leave same standing in any parking space for any period of time in excess of thirty minutes and fail to comply with the direction set forth on the parking meter relating to such parking space.

13. Unlawful to Permit Parking With "Expired" Visible on Meter

It shall be an offence and a violation of this By-law for the driver of a vehicle to permit the same to be parked or left standing in any parking space while the word "Expired" is visible in the observation window of the parking meter relating to such parking space or where the meter has a digital display reading "00:00", unless such vehicle is parking pursuant to the provisions of Section 13 herein or the phase "Out of Order" is visible in the observation window of the parking meter relating to the parking space.

13A (1) Section 13 shall not apply to a vehicle bearing a veteran's number plate issued by the Registry of Motor Vehicles for the Province of Nova Scotia pursuant to the Veteran's Number Plates Regulations.

(2) This section shall remain in effect until 11:59 P.M. of the 31st day of March, 2006.

14. Unlawful to Deposit

It shall be an offence and a violation of this By-law for any person to deposit or cause to be deposited in any parking meter in the Halifax Regional Municipality any device, slug, dice, metallic substance, or other substitute for the coins permitted to be deposited in accordance with this By-law.

15. Traffic Authority to be in Charge of Parking Meters

The operation, maintenance, regulation and use of all parking meters installed in the Halifax Regional Municipality shall be under the authority of the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality and under the management, supervision, and direction of the Traffic

Authority for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

16. Enforcement

It shall be the duty of any Police Officer of the Halifax Regional Municipality or Special Constable appointed for the purpose to enforce this By-law.

17. Penalty

- (1) A person who contravenes any section of this By-law is liable upon summary conviction to a penalty of not less than twenty five dollars (\$25.00) and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not less than seven (7) days.
- (2) A person who is alleged to have violated this By-law and is given notice of the alleged violation may pay twenty five dollars (\$25.00) for each hour of violation to the Halifax Regional Municipality, however, provided that such payment is made within a period of seven (7) days following the day on which the alleged violation was committed, then the said payment shall be reduced to twenty dollars (\$20 00) for each hour of violation and, in any case, such payment shall be in full satisfaction, releasing and discharging all penalties and imprisonments incurred by the person for the violation or violations.

17A. Liability of owner and driver

- (1) The owner of a motor vehicle shall incur the fine provided for any violation of this by-law unless at the time of such violation the motor vehicle was in the possession of some person other than the owner without the owner's consent, either expressed or implied, and the driver of a motor vehicle not being the owner shall also incur the penalties or other consequences provided for any such violation.
- (2) The owner of a motor vehicle who incurs a fine under subsection (1) is not in any event liable to imprisonment.

18. By-law P-200 of the City of Dartmouth, as amended, and the Parking Meter By-law of the City of Halifax, as amended, are repealed.

Mayor

Municipal Clerk

I, Vi Carmichael, Municipal Clerk for the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby certify that the above-noted by-law was passed at a meeting of the Halifax Regional Council held on December 16, 1997.

Vi Carmichael
Municipal Clerk

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