
Sec. 134-2172. Size of spaces and access.

An off-street automobile parking space shall consist of a parking space having minimum dimensions of nine feet in width and 18 feet in length for the parking of each automobile, exclusive of access drives or aisles thereto. Minimum width of an access drive shall be ten feet for one-way traffic. Minimum width of an aisle designed and intended for the maneuvering into a 90 degree parking space shall be 25 feet; 20 feet into a 60 degree parking space; and 15 feet into a 45 degree parking space. Minimum width of an aisle designed and intended for the maneuvering of an automobile into a parking space shall be in conformance with the illustration set forth in section 134-2171. The parking plan must be so arranged that each automobile may be placed and removed from the parking space assigned thereto and taken to and from the property without the necessity of moving any other automobile to complete the maneuver.

(Ord. No. 2-74, § 6.21(A.1), 3-26-74; Ord. No. 1-84, § 4(d), 3-1-84; Ord. No. 1-86, § 4(a), 2-10-86; Ord. No. 26-10, § 26, 12-15-10)

Sec. 134-2175. Number of parking spaces required—Generally.

- (a) Under this division, the following shall be provided:
- (1) At the time of the erection of any building or structure, minimum off-street parking facilities shall be required with adequate provisions for ingress and egress, in accordance with sections 134-2172 through 134-2174 and the schedule of off-street parking requirements, as prescribed in section 134-2176.
 - (2) At the time any building or structure is enlarged or increased in capacity by adding dwelling units, guestrooms, floor area or seats, minimum off-street parking facilities with adequate provisions for ingress and egress shall be required, in accordance with section 134-2 and sections 134-2172 through 134-2174 and the schedule of off-street parking requirements, as prescribed in section 134-2176.
 - (3) Except as provided in subsection (f), at the time any use or occupancy of an existing building is changed to a new use or occupancy having differing off-street parking requirements, the parking requirement for the new use or occupancy shall be computed on the basis of the schedule of off-street parking requirements in the section 134-2176. This requirement shall be compared to the requirements of the existing use or occupancy, and, if the total number of spaces required under the new use or occupancy exceeds that of the existing use or occupancy, the difference shall constitute that number of additional off-street parking spaces to be provided, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress, in accordance with sections 134-2172 and the schedule of off-street parking requirements as prescribed in section 134-2176.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (f), a use, building or structure, lawfully in existence at the effective date of this division, which shall be made nonconforming on the effective date of the ordinance from which this division derives or any applicable amendment thereto, may be continued even though off-street parking may not be provided in full compliance with this division, but the degree of nonconformity due to a deficiency in providing the required off-street parking spaces may not be increased, either by reducing the number of parking spaces which are provided on the effective date of the ordinance from which this chapter is derived or by changing the use or occupancy of an existing building to a use or occupancy which increases the requirement for off-street parking. For existing buildings or establishments therein which are nonconforming with respect to the current parking requirements, and which involve only those uses requiring one space per 200 or 250 square of gross leasable area, whichever is applicable, and which may be required under this chapter to provide additional parking spaces as a result of a change in use, such establishments shall be required only to provide that number of spaces over and above the number of spaces that would have been required at one space per 200 or 250 square feet of floor area gross leasable area, whichever is applicable.

- (c) Continued availability of required number of off-street parking spaces. After providing for the proper number of required off-street parking spaces so as to permit a principal use of property to be established as set forth in the schedule of off-street parking contained in section 134-2176, such required off-street parking shall continue to be available in undiminished number for sole use as an integral part of the continuance of the principal use(s) unless meeting the shared parking as provided for in sections 134-2177, 134-2178 and 134-2182. If for any reason such required off-street parking is not available at all times in connection with the principal use, such principal use shall be discontinued until such time as the proper number of required off-street parking spaces shall again be made available for use in connection with the principal use.
- (d) The principle of equivalency for evaluating off-street parking in existing uses is as follows:
- (1) Definition of principle of equivalency as applied to the schedule of off-street parking requirements. The principal of equivalency, as it relates to the schedule of off-street parking requirements, shall be defined as an automobile parking space required by section 134-2176 for establishing an inventory of automobile parking spaces for a conforming or nonconforming use of an existing building, or structure or use, for the purpose of determining the net off-street parking requirement for the establishment of a proposed new use to be permitted in the building, or structure or use.
 - (2) In evaluating off-street parking for existing uses, the principle of equivalency shall be applied when the use or occupancy of an existing building is being changed to a new use or occupancy having a differing off-street parking requirement for the purpose of establishing compliance with this chapter.
 - (3) The following floor area equivalencies may be used as a minimum guide in the application of the schedule of off-street parking requirements:
 - a. One permanent seat equals six square feet of floor area in seating areas of occupancies requiring seating.
 - b. One moveable seat equals 15 square feet of floor area in seating areas of occupancies requiring seating.
 - c. The remainder of areas external to actual seating areas shall provide required parking according to the schedule of applicable parking requirements.
 - d. One school student equals 20 square feet of floor area.
- (e) For the purpose of this section, a landmarked commercially zoned building is exempt from providing additional required off-street parking if increased occupancy or use is created by interior building improvements which create more gross leasable area. However, all other provisions of subsections (a) through (d) apply.
- (f) In the 200 Block of Peruvian Avenue and Bradley Place in the C-TS zoning district, existing buildings or establishments therein which are nonconforming with respect to the current parking requirements, and which involve only those uses requiring one space per 200 or 250 square feet of gross leasable area, whichever is applicable, shall not be required to provide additional parking spaces as a result of a change from a use which alters the parking ratio from one space per 250 square feet to a use which requires one space for every 200 square feet of gross leasable area.

(Ord. No. 2-74, § 6.21(C), 3-26-74; Ord. No. 1-99, § 2, 4-5-99; Ord. No. 1-00, § 8, 2-22-00; Ord. No. 1-04, § 37, 3-9-04; Ord. No. 5-09, § 30, 4-15-09; Ord. No. 5-2011, § 5, 3-9-11; Ord. No. 25-2015, § 3, 11-12-15)

Sec. 134-2176. Same—Schedule.

The schedule of off-street parking required by this division shall be as follows:

Use	Spaces Required Per Unit
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(1)	Single-family dwellings	Two per dwelling unit of 3,000 feet of floor area or less, plus one additional space per each 3,000 square feet or portion thereof of floor area above 3,000 square feet.
	Two-family dwellings and townhouses	Two per dwelling unit, plus one additional per each five family dwelling units or portion thereof. Any unit larger than 3,000 square feet shall provide three parking spaces plus one additional per each five dwelling units or portion thereof.
(2)	Multifamily dwellings (three units or more), number of units and required parking spaces as follows:	
	a. Three	Eight
	b. Four	11
	c. Five	13
	d. Six or more units	Two per dwelling unit plus one per five units or portion thereof
(3)	Houses of worship, theaters and auditoriums	One per four permanent seats in the main auditorium.
(4)	Social, swimming, golf, tennis and yacht clubs	One per four members.
(5)	Retail, commercial and personal service establishments and banks and financial institutions, excluding brokerage and trust companies	One per 200 square feet of gross leasable area (GLA)
(6)	Hotels, condo-hotels, motels, motor inns and timesharing uses	One and three-fourths per unit with two or fewer rooms, and 2.75 per unit with more than two rooms; plus one for each 2.5 seats of conference capacity including auditorium, ballroom, banquet facilities, convention hall, gymnasium, meeting rooms, or other similar places of assembly.
(7)	Libraries, museums and nonprofit cultural centers	One per 500 square feet
(8)	Medical or dental offices or clinics	One per 250 square feet of gross leasable area (GLA)
(9)	Restaurants, nightclubs or other eating places	One for each three proposed fixed seats, and/or one for each 45 square feet of floor area in the proposed public seating area not having fixed seats, plus one for each 300 square feet of floor area in the remainder of the floor area
(10)	Reserved	
(11)	Schools (public or private):	
	a. Grades one—six	One per 14 students
	b. Grades seven—nine	One per nine students
	c. Grades ten—12	One per three students
(12)	Accessory commercial retail and service uses in hotels and condo hotels	One per 250 square feet except for a restaurant, nightclub, bar, or other entry place which shall require the same as subsection (9) of this section, and except for conference facilities and similar places of assembly which

		shall require the same as subsection (6) of this section
(13)	Office, professional and business service establishments, institutions, institutions, and brokerage and trust companies	One per 250 square feet of gross leasable area (GLA)
(14)	Group home and foster care facilities	One space per each four resident occupants or fraction thereof, plus one per each employee in the largest work shift, with a minimum of two parking spaces
(15)	Required off-street parking exception for commercial parking garages in the C-WA zoning district	Number of required parking spaces attributed to uses on a commercial property within a parking garage in the C-WA district may be reduced by a maximum of 15 percent in order to provide off-site supplemental parking for other off-site commercial uses in the same district. The application can only be approved if the property owner provides evidence satisfactory to the town at the time of application and on an annual renewal basis that said parking exception will not negatively impact the parking of all on-site uses. Those off-site commercial uses in the C-WA district that are allowed to share the parking garage shall not be allowed to use said shared parking as a basis to develop or redevelop property, or expand or intensify the use of property. (See footnote 1 for requirements in granting an exception)

Footnote 1: An off-street parking exception application may be approved or denied by the director of planning, zoning and building or designee after 15 days of a legal notice being published in a newspaper of general circulation in Palm Beach or West Palm Beach with a summary of the request for such off-street parking exception. Said notice shall be paid by the applicant and shall not be part of the application fee. Any approval or denial of an application for an exception to the off-street parking requirements in subsection (15) of this section may be appealed to the town council based on sections 134-141—134-145 of the Code. There shall be no fee associated with this type of an administrative appeal.

(Ord. No. 2-74, § 6.21(C), 3-26-74; Ord. No. 1-84, § 4(d), 3-1-84; Ord. No. 1-92, § 4(a), 2-3-92; Ord. No. 1-94, § 4(a), (e), 2-7-94; Ord. No. 1-95, § 2(a), 1-23-95; Ord. No. 1-96, § 10, 2-5-96; Ord. No. 1-97, § 3, 2-17-97; Ord. No. 1-99, § 27, 4-5-99; Ord. No. 1-00, § 9, 2-22-00; Ord. No. 1-01, § 7, 2-19-01; Ord. No. 1-04, § 11, 3-9-04; Ord. No. 5-09, § 24, 4-15-09; Ord. No. 7-09, § 7, 5-13-09; Ord. No. 25-2015, § 4, 11-12-15)