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Guidelines for Accessible Parking Spaces



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This overview is provided by the City of Solon to help your business comply with basic requirements for accessible parking spaces, in accordance with the Americans with the Disabilities Act of 1990 as amended (ADA), the Ohio Revised Code and the Solon Traffic Code.

Additional ADA regulations that are not included in this pamphlet may also apply to your business. For complete ADA regulations, please visit www.ADA.gov.

When parking is provided for the public, properly designated accessible parking spaces must be provided if readily achievable. Accessible parking spaces are required for new construction and for altered parking lots. Parking lot resurfacing and reconfiguration of spaces are considered alterations. In most cases, restriping to achieve compliance is considered readily achievable.

REQUIRED NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE SPACES

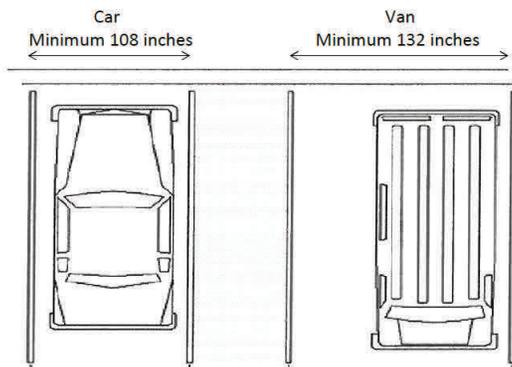
Total Number of Parking Spaces Provided in Parking Facility	Minimum Number of Required Accessible Parking Spaces
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 150	5
151 to 200	6
201 to 300	7
301 to 400	8
401 to 500	9
501 to 1000	2 percent of total
1001 and over	20, plus 1 for each 100, or fraction thereof over 1000

One in 6 accessible parking spaces must be van accessible. If there are fewer than 6 accessible spaces, one space must be van accessible.

SIZE OF PARKING SPACES

Cars: Minimum 108 inches (9 ft.) wide (min. for all spaces per Solon code)

Vans: Minimum 132 inches (11 ft.) wide



PLEASE VISIT
WWW.ADA.GOV
FOR THE FOLLOWING RESOURCES:

ADA Guide for Small Businesses - This 15-page illustrated guide presents an overview of some basic ADA requirements for small businesses that provide goods and services to the public. It provides guidance on how to make their services accessible and how tax credits and deductions

Tax Incentives for Business - Information to help businesses understand and take advantage of the tax credit and deduction available for complying with the ADA.

Title III Technical Assistance Manual (1993) and Supplement - An 83-page manual that explains in lay terms what businesses and non-profit agencies must do to ensure access to their goods, services, and facilities. Many examples are provided for practical guidance.

Title III Highlights - 12-page outline of the key requirements of the ADA for businesses and non-profit agencies. This publication provides detailed information in bullet format for quick reference.

2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design - Online version of revised standards that provides the scoping and technical requirements for new construction and alterations.

ADA RESOURCES

General & technical information:

U.S. Department of Justice

www.ada.gov

800-514-0301 (voice);
800-514-0383 (TTY)

ADA-Ohio

www.ada-ohio.org

614-844-5410

adaohio@aol.com

Accessible design guidelines & standards:

U.S. Access Board

www.access-board.gov

(800)USA-ABLE

ta@access-board.gov

Employment issues & enforcement:

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunities
Commission

www.eeoc.gov

1-800-669-4000

(TTY) 1-800-669-6820

info@eeoc.gov

Employee accommodations:

Job Accommodation Network:

www.askjan.org

800-526-7234 (Voice);

877-781-9403 (TTY)

Enforcement of ADA:

U.S. Dept. of Justice ADA Web Site

www.ada.gov

U.S. Dept. of Justice ADA Information Line 800-514-0301 (voice)

800-514-0383 (TTY)

SERVICES & TRAINING

Operator assisted phone calls for hearing/ speech disabilities:

Ohio Relay Service

800-750-0750 or 7-1-1

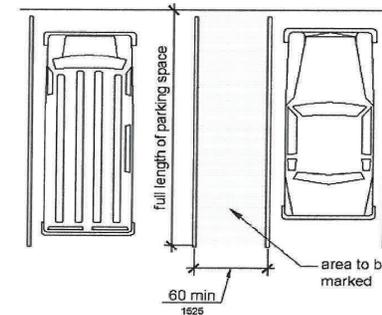
ACCESS AISLES

Cars and vans: Minimum 60 inches (5 ft.) wide. The length must extend the full length of the parking spaces they serve.

Two parking spaces may share a common access aisle.

Access aisles should be marked to discourage parking in them.

Access aisles should be at the same level as parking spaces they serve.



LOCATION OF ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES & ACCESS AISLES

Accessible spaces must be located on the closest accessible route to the facility's accessible entrance(s) and must be located on level ground. If the spaces cannot be those located closest to an accessible entrance due to sloped pavement or other existing conditions, the closest level area should be selected. Slopes not steeper than 1:48 are permitted for drainage. Built-up curb ramps may not project into access aisles and parking spaces because they would create slopes greater than 1:48.

An access aisle may be placed on either side of the parking space, except for angled van parking spaces which must have access aisles on the passenger side of the parking space. Access aisles cannot overlap the vehicular way.

Access aisles must adjoin an accessible route. The access aisle must either blend with the accessible route or have a curb ramp that meets ADA regulations. The curb ramp must be located within the access aisle boundaries, not within the parking space boundaries.

ACCESSIBLE ROUTES

Accessible routes must connect parking spaces to accessible entrances. The route should not pass behind parked vehicles. Where the accessible route must cross vehicular traffic lanes, marked crossings are recommended. Accessible routes must be at least 3 feet wide with a stable, slip-resistant surface. Slope should not exceed 1:20 and must not have curbs or stairs.

SIGNAGE FOR ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES

A sign with the international symbol of accessibility must be located in front of the parking space and **mounted at least 60 inches (5 ft.) above the finish floor or ground surface measured to the bottom of the sign**, high enough so it is not hidden by a vehicle parking in the space.

The sign must contain the **international symbol of accessibility** and must **post the minimum \$250 fine** for illegally parking in the space.

The fine notice may be affixed on or next to the parking sign.

Signs for van parking spaces must also contain the wording “van accessible” mounted below the symbol of accessibility.



Pavement markings should define the parking space width and access aisle length. The method and color of marking are not specified by ADA regulations.



ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES

- If a parking lot is limited to the exclusive use of employees, and none of the employees require accessible parking, accessible spaces may be assigned to employees without disabilities, until such time as the spaces are needed by employees requiring accessible spaces.
- Wheelchair lifts typically are installed on the passenger side of vans. Many van drivers prefer to back into parking spaces, rather than back out into vehicular lanes. For this reason, where a van and car share an access aisle, consider locating the van space so that the access aisle is on the passenger side of the van space.
- The first accessible parking space that is provided as part of barrier removal activities should be van accessible. A van accessible space may be used by cars and vans.
- Failure to comply with signage requirements is a violation of Ohio law subject to criminal fines.
- Requirements to provide accessible parking may vary depending on such factors as whether the facility is existing, altered and to what extent it is altered, date of any new construction or alterations, if there is a change of use as defined by Ohio Building Code, if the business is considered a public accommodation under federal law, and other factors. Please see resources on page 7 of this brochure for more information.
- The U.S. Department of Justice is responsible for enforcement of ADA requirements. Projects requiring permits from the City of Solon are subject to the City's enforcement of requirements in effect at the time of project construction.