



# On Street Parking

In 2009 the Richardson City Council passed an ordinance to establish regulations for the overnight parking of motor vehicles on public streets adjacent to residential lots. The ordinance requires residents to park on the street adjacent to their own home between the hours of 2am and 8 am.

## Background Information

Excessive on-street parking in residential neighborhoods is one the most frequent complaints registered by residents. Most of these complaints are raised at neighborhood meetings and other forums for communicating with the City Council and city staff.

The most common concerns about on-street parking include limited visibility, diminished maneuverability, blocked sidewalks and mailboxes, obstructed trash collection, and limited parking in front of one's own home. Complainants assert that excessive parking diminishes the overall aesthetic value of the neighborhood, leads to neighborhood degradation, and could ultimately lower property values.

## Commonly Asked Questions

### **Where can my family and friends park if they are visiting for the weekend?**

Guests, such as family and friends, that are staying overnight at your home are considered occupants of your home during that time. As such their vehicles can be parked on your property or on the street adjacent to your home.

### **Will the new restrictions impact my ability to host a dinner party, church meetings or other similar event at my home?**

No. The ordinance is intended to address overnight parking only. The new restrictions apply to parking on the street between 2 am and 8 am only.

### **How many vehicles can I park on the street in front of my home?**

Vehicles can only be parked on the street directly adjacent to your property. The number of vehicles is limited to that which may be legally parked in accordance with all applicable parking ordinances.

### **How do I express a concern about a possible parking violation?**

Please contact Community Services between 8 am and 5 pm at 972-744-4180, file a complaint on-line at [www.cor.net/cs](http://www.cor.net/cs), or call the City's 24 hour Response Center at 972-744-4111.