

# Recreational Vehicle Storage in Residential Zoning Districts

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**S**alinas Zoning Regulations limit the type, size, location and length of time that recreational vehicles may be parked or stored in residential zoning districts. These regulations apply to homeowners, renters and people who drive recreational vehicles as their family or business vehicle.

## Which Recreational Vehicles are Affected?

Any travel trailer or other vehicular portable structure designed to be used as a temporary occupancy for travel or recreational use. For example, any motor home, truck slide-in camper, fifth wheel trailer, tent trailer, animal trailer, trailer used for transporting recreational vehicles, any type of 3- or 4-wheeled sport racing vehicle, boat, boat trailer, raft, aircraft, dune buggy, snowmobile, jet ski, all-terrain vehicle, or vehicle dolly is included.

Motorized coaches and slide-in campers on pickup trucks which do not exceed 7 feet in height or 20 feet in length, camper shells on pickup trucks and motorcycles are excluded from those regulations.

Inoperable, dismantled or unregistered recreational vehicles are not allowed in residential zoning districts.

## Where can Recreational Vehicles be Parked?

Recreational vehicles may be parked or stored temporarily in a front or corner side yard provided the parking and storage complies with the following:

- *The recreational vehicle may be parked for a maximum of 48 hours during a 7-day period for loading and unloading only. Unless the vehicle is being loaded or unloaded, it may not be parked in the front or corner side yard.*
- *If parked in the front or corner side yard, the recreational vehicle shall be parked on a paved driveway.*
- *There is no parking over or onto a public sidewalk.*
- *Different regulations apply to parking on public streets*

Recreational vehicles may be parked or stored with no time limits in any side or rear yard provided the parking and storage complies with the following:

- *The recreational vehicle is screened from view by other lots and from the street by a solid fence or wall 6 feet in height.*
- *The recreational vehicle does not impede safe entry to or exit from any house and does not inhibit emergency access to and from any structure.*
- *The recreational vehicle is not used for living or sleeping purposes.*

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## **Are there Exceptions to these Rules?**

Yes. Guests with recreational vehicles may temporarily park and occupy them on a residential lot, provided:

- *Parking is limited to 72 hours each calendar month.*
- *The recreational vehicle is parked on a paved driveway when parked in the front yard.*
- *The recreational vehicle is not parked over or onto a public sidewalk.*

Also, occupancy of recreational vehicles is permitted on a public street, or on any lot, during an officially declared state of emergency.

## **Are There Penalties for Violating these Regulations?**

Yes. Anyone responsible for violation of City recreational vehicle parking regulations may be guilty of a misdemeanor or an infraction. Each person convicted may be deemed guilty of a separate offense for every day in which the violation is committed.

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## **How to Obtain More Information**

Call Community Development Department at 758-7206

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## **Related Information Bulletins**

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