2014 Alternate Side Parking Suspension Calendar & Other Parking Rules/Tips





Fighting a Parking Ticket

Contest your ticket and request a hearing within 30 days of receiving the ticket. This avoids incurring any penalties. Hearings are also available after 30 days, but if an administrative law judge upholds the fine, the penalties may also be owed.

There are three ways to request a hearing: Online, Mail or in Person. For more information you may contact Assemblyman Perry at (718) 385-3336.

Ask for Fine Reduction - If you decide to accept a guilty plea, the judge has the discretion to reduce the fine, and you should always request a reduction of the fine and penalties.

Provide Ample Evidence - Evidence can include, but is not limited to: testimony, photographs, repair bills, police reports, Department of Motor Vehicles or insurance company reports, and towing bills. Please be certain to keep copies of everything that you submit for your own records.

Required Elements - There's information (Required Elements) on all parking tickets that may allow you to have them dismissed, if the information listed is incorrect.

This information includes: license plate number and type, registration expiration date, make of vehicle, body type, place of occurrence, meter # (if applicable) date & time, correct parking rule, days/hours rule in effect, and time 1st observed. If any of these required elements are incorrect, your ticket should be dismissed.

If You Lose, Pay Your Tickets - The city marshal and sheriff search for vehicles that have \$350.00 or more in parking ticket judgments. If they find your vehicle, it will be towed.

Basic Facts Which Can Save You a Ticket

Fire Hydrants - It is illegal to park within 15 feet of either side of a fire hydrant.

No Parking Zone - You may stop or stand in a No Parking Zone so long as you are dropping-off or picking-up a passenger. You may also load or unload your personal property to or from the curb in a No Parking Zone Only.

Muni-Meters - If a Muni-Meter is broken, you are required to purchase a parking receipt from the next nearest Muni-Meter on the same block or within the same Municipal Lot. If all Muni-Meters on the block are broken or missing, New York City law permits motorists to park for the time duration posted on the block side signage.

Five Minute Grace Period - A five-minute grace period went into effect in 2010, drivers now get a five-minute grace period past the expired time on Muni-Meter receipts, Alternate Side Parking signs, and any other parking spaces with specific times listed (e.g. 8:30am - 9:30am). During the 5-minute grace period, parking tickets cannot be issued.

Parking at a Broken Meters - At a broken meter parking is allowed for the maximum time lawfully allowed at that meter (an hour for a 1-hour meter, two hours for a 2-hour meter, etc.).

Crosswalks - Be careful, to be issued a ticket for parking in a crosswalk, your car does not have to "extend into" the cross walk. It simply has to be "on the line."

Bus Stops - A bus stop zone begins at the bus stop sign, and; extends in the direction of the arrow on the sign, until the next parking sign, or; if no parking sign, the end of the block.



A Message From... **Assemblyman** Nick Perry

Dear Constituent:

It is my pleasure to provide you with a copy of the 2014 New York City Alternate Side Parking Suspension Calendar. Please keep the calendar handy and refer to it whenever you have questions about where and when you may legally park your car on holidays and days of religious observance throughout the year.

In this brochure, I have also included tips and basic rules to parking in New York City, and tips on fighting a ticket, which just may save you the headache and expense of paying a ticket or having your vehicle towed.

I hope you will find this brochure useful throughout the year.

As always, if I can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to contact my district office at 718-385-3336.

Working for You!

Assemblyman Nick Perry

Did You Know?

What's in a name? Do you know the difference in the meaning of these parking signs?

	NO Stopping	NO Standing	NO Parking
Can I stop to drop off or pick up passengers?	NO	YES	YES
Can I stop to load or unload a Package, or merchandise at curbside?	NO	NO	YES
Is waiting allowed?	NO	NO	NO

All of NYC was designated a Tow Away Zone under the State's Vehicle & Traffic Law in 1959. This means that any vehicle parked or operated illegally, or with missing or expired registration or inspection stickers may be towed.

On MAJOR LEGAL HOLIDAYS, stopping, standing and parking are permitted EXCEPT in areas where stopping, standing, and parking rules are in effect seven days a week (e.g. "No Standing Anytime"). Accordingly, parking meters will not be in effect on major legal holidays.

Parking meters and muni-meters DO NOT have to be paid on Sundays. For Free Assistance in **Resolving Problems** with Citizenship and Immigration **Applications, Utility** Bills, City/State **Agencies and Various** Community Issues, Visit the **District Office of Assemblyman Nick Perry at:**

903 Utica Avenue (bet. Church & Snyder Aves.)

718-385-3336

Email Assemblyman Perry at: perryn@assembly.state.ny.us

*Alternate Side Parking Regulations may be suspended from time to time because of snow emergencies, inclement weather conditions or other emergencies. Please call Assemblyman Perry's District Office (718) 385-3336, or dial 311 for further information.

2014 Alternate Side Parking Suspension Calendar

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