



Proposed Changes to Existing Regulations Residential Permit Parking (RPP)

The proposed RPP rulemaking includes two new sections that describe the eligibility process and criteria for modifications to days and hours of RPP restrictions and resident only parking respectively. The FAQ document posted online (LINK) provides more information regarding the proposed changes.

PROPOSED NEW SECTIONS

SECTION 2436: RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING MODIFYING THE DAYS OR HOURS OF RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING RESTRICTIONS

This section proposes clear criteria for modification of existing RPP restrictions including days and hours of operation.

- 2436.1 Notwithstanding the notice requirements in §§ 6 and 10 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat 1204; D.C. Official Code §§ 2-505 and 2-509 (2012 Repl.)), within each residential permit parking zone, the Director may re-designate, at his or her discretion, the days or hours for residential permit parking of any specific block which meets all of the following criteria:
 - (a) A petition has been submitted to the Director, signed by at least one (1) adult resident of a majority of the households on the block, supporting the change to the days or hours for residential permit parking restrictions for their specific block;
 - (b) At least one (1) year has passed between the date on which the block was designated by DDOT as a residential permit parking block and the date on which the petition is filed;
 - (c) The petition is accompanied by a resolution from the Advisory Neighborhood Commission within which the block is located, supporting the change to the days or hours; and
 - (d) The block meets the following criteria:
 - Based on at least one (1) distinct observation during the requested hours, DDOT determines that the motor vehicles parked on the block occupy at least seventy percent (70%) of the parking spaces of the block; and
 - (2) Based on at least one (1) distinct observation during the requested hours, DDOT determines that at least ten percent (10%) of the motor vehicles parked on the block are not registered in that residential permit parking zone.
- 2436.2 Notwithstanding § 2436.1, the Director shall determine whether a block abutting a place of worship, healthcare facility, school, park, or recreational facility shall be included in the modified RPP zone. This determination shall be made based on the existing parking supply and the demand for parking for the place of worship, healthcare facility, school, park, or recreational facility, as well as the residential parking demand in adjacent blocks.
- 2436.3 Before taking action on the petition, DDOT shall publish a Notice of Intent on the DDOT website.

Section 2437: RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING: RESIDENT ONLY PARKING

This section proposes a clear process and eligibility criteria for designation of resident only parking restrictions.

- 2437.1 Notwithstanding the notice requirements in §§ 6 and 10 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat 1204; D.C. Official Code §§ 2-505 and 2-509 (2012 Repl.)), the Director may re-designate residential permit parking blocks as resident-only parking blocks if all of the following criteria are met:
 - (a) An Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC") passes a resolution petitioning DDOT to designate all blocks participating in the RPP program within that ANC as resident-only parking blocks;
 - (b) At least one (1) year has passed between the date on which the majority of blocks in the ANC were designated as residential permit parking blocks and the date of the resolution;
 - (c) The resolution lists at least five (5) blocks within the ANC as being impacted by increased parking demands and requiring additional parking restrictions; and
 - (d) The standards set forth in § 2437.2 are satisfied.
- 2437.2 After receiving a petition from an ANC requesting resident-only parking, the Director may modify the RPP restrictions on any blocks participating in the RPP program within the ANC if all of the following conditions are met:
 - (a) There is a major traffic generator within or abutting the ANC;
 - (b) The parking needs, in excess of two (2) hours, of visitors to any place of worship, healthcare facility, school, park, or recreational facility within the ANC are considered according to the following criteria:
 - (1) More than seventy-five percent (75%) of parking demand from the place of worship, healthcare facility, school, park, or recreational facility is unmet by off-street parking; and
 - (2) The place of worship, healthcare facility, school, park, or recreational facility does not require parking for more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the requested hours and days during which residential permit parking restrictions would apply.
 - (c) Based on at least three (3) distinct observations of the five (5) or more blocks listed in the ANC petition required by § 2437.1 during any weekday between 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., the motor vehicles parked on the block occupy at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the parking spaces; and
 - (d) Based on at least three (3) distinct observations during any weekday between 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., at least fifty percent (50%) of the motor vehicles parked within the five (5) or more blocks listed in the ANC petition required by § 2437.1 are not registered in that RPP zone.
 - (e) The Director may, at his or her discretion, modify the observation hours described in § 2437.2(c) and (d).
- 2437.3 Notwithstanding § 2437.2, the Director shall determine whether a block abutting a place of worship, healthcare facility, school, park, or recreational facility shall be included in the Resident Only Parking zone. This determination shall be made based on the existing parking supply and the demand for parking for the place of worship, healthcare facility, school, park, or recreational facility, as well as the residential parking demand in adjacent blocks.

- 2437.4 Pursuant to § 2437.1, Resident Only Parking restrictions shall be applied to all blocks participating in the RPP program within an ANC; provided, that no more than fifty percent (50%) of available parking spaces of each residential block, as determined by the Director, shall be designated with Resident Only Parking restrictions.
- 2437.5 Prior to taking action on the ANC petition, DDOT shall publish a Notice of Intent on the DDOT website.

OTHER CHANGES

Additional proposed changes in this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking are primarily administrative and include:

- A fine category, for tracking purposes, for parking in a resident only parking area without a valid RPP sticker;
- Elimination of street specific residential permit parking locations;
- Clarification of Zone 9 permits that DDOT currently issues to car-sharing vehicles;
- Removal of references to specific Visitor Permits that are no longer issued.