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Section 4-01

WORDS AND PHRASES DEFINED

(a) Vehicle and Traffic Law definitions apply. Whenever any words and phrases used in these rules are not defined herein but are defined in Article 1 of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, any such definition shall be deemed to apply to such words and phrases used herein.

(b) Definitions. The following words and phrases, when used in these rules, shall, for the purpose of these rules, have the meanings respectively ascribed to them as follows:

Bicycle. A "bicycle" shall mean every two- or three-wheeled device upon which a person or persons may ride, propelled by human power through a belt, a chain or gears, with such wheels in a tandem or tricycle, except that it shall not include such a device having solid tires and intended for use only on a sidewalk by pre-teenage children.

Bus. A "bus" shall mean every motor vehicle having a seating capacity of more than fifteen adults, in addition to the operator, and used for the transportation of persons, and every charter bus, interstate bus, intrastate bus, school bus and sight-seeing bus, regardless of seating capacity, as defined below.

(i) Charter bus. A "charter bus" shall mean a bus engaging in a specific or special trip in the nature of an excursion or outing, for which it has been hired or otherwise engaged by oral or written contract for the exclusive use of the charterer.

(ii) Interstate bus. An "interstate bus" shall mean a bus which operates between a point within the City of New York and a point outside the State of New York.

(iii) Intrastate bus. An "intrastate bus" shall mean a bus which operates only in the State of New York between a point within the City of New York and a point outside the City of New York.

(iv) School bus. A "school bus" shall mean every motor vehicle regardless of seating capacity owned by a public or governmental agency or private school and operated for the transportation of pupils, teachers and other persons acting in a supervisory capacity, to or from school or school activities or privately owned and operated on a regular basis for compensation for the transportation of pupils, teachers and other persons acting in a supervisory capacity to or from school or school activities.

(v) Sight-seeing bus. A "sight-seeing bus" shall mean a bus for hire carrying passengers from a fixed point in the City of New York, at which point the passengers embark and are generally discharged to a place or places of interest or amusement in the City of New York, and including a charter bus, as defined in these rules, when engaged in a sight-seeing operation.

Commercial vehicle.

(i) For purposes of parking, standing and stopping rules, a vehicle shall not be deemed a commercial vehicle or a truck unless:

(A) it bears commercial plates; and

(B) it is permanently altered by having all seats and seat fittings, except the front seats, removed to facilitate the transportation of property, except that for vehicles designed with a passenger cab and a cargo area separated by a partition, the seating capacity within the cab shall not be considered in determining whether the vehicle is properly altered; and

(C) it displays the registrant's name and address permanently affixed in characters at least three inches high on both sides of the vehicle, with such display being in a color contrasting with that of the vehicle and placed approximately midway vertically on doors or side panels.
(ii) For the purposes of rules other than parking, stopping and standing rules, a vehicle designed, maintained, or used primarily for the transportation of property, or for the provision of commercial services and bearing commercial plates shall be deemed a commercial vehicle.

(iii) Vehicles bearing commercial or equivalent registration plates from other states or countries shall not be deemed trucks or commercial vehicles unless they are permanently altered and marked as required in (i)(B) and (C) of this definition, above.

**Commissioner.** The "Commissioner" shall mean the Commissioner of the New York City Department of Transportation or his/her authorized designee.

**Commuter Van.** A van, which: (i) is used as part of a commuter van service as defined in section 19-502(q) of the New York City Administrative Code; (ii) has a seating capacity of at least nine passengers but not more than twenty passengers or such greater capacity as the Taxi and Limousine Commission may establish by rule; (iii) carries passengers for hire in the City; (iv) is duly licensed as a commuter van by the Taxi and Limousine Commission; and (v) is not permitted to accept hails from prospective passengers in the street.

**Crosswalk.**

(i) **Marked crosswalk.** That part of a roadway defined by two parallel lines or highlighted by a pattern of lines (perpendicular, parallel or diagonal used either separately or in combination) that is intended to guide pedestrians into proper crossing paths.

(ii) **Unmarked crosswalk.** That part of a roadway, other than a marked crosswalk, which is included within the extensions of the sidewalk lines between opposite sides of the roadway at an intersection, provided that (A) the roadway crosses through the intersection rather than ending at the intersection, and/or (B) all traffic on the opposing roadway is controlled by a traffic control device.

**Cruising.** The term "cruising" shall mean the movement of any vehicle on any street in search of prospective passengers who may wish to hire the vehicle.

**Driveway.** Every entrance or exit authorized pursuant to applicable law and used by vehicular traffic to or from lands or buildings abutting a roadway.

**D/S Decals.** "D/S Decals" shall mean valid non-transferable service vehicle decals or delivery vehicle decals issued by the City of New York that are affixed to the inside of the operator's side of the windshields of vehicles bearing "A", "C" or "D" series license plates issued by the U.S. Department of State.

**Emergency vehicle (authorized).** An "emergency vehicle (authorized)" shall mean every police vehicle, fire vehicle, emergency ambulance service vehicle, and every other emergency vehicle as defined in §101 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

**For-hire vehicle.** A "for-hire vehicle" shall mean a motor vehicle, licensed by the Taxi and Limousine Commission, for hire in the City, used for the carriage of passengers by prearrangement only and designed to carry fewer than nine passengers, including but not limited to livery vehicles, and excepting taxis or wheelchair accessible vans.

**High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV).** HOV shall mean a vehicle, except a truck as defined in §4-13(a)(1) of these rules, with two or more occupants, the number of which is specified by signs placed on express lanes on highways or bridges, pursuant to §4-07(k) of these rules.

**Holidays.** A "holiday," when used on traffic control devices, shall mean the days on which the following holidays are officially celebrated: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

**Horse drawn vehicle.** A "horse drawn vehicle" shall mean a vehicle drawn by a horse and used for the carriage of passengers for compensation. Where signs limit parking to horse drawn vehicles, only those vehicles licensed by the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs will be permitted.
Impounded vehicle. A vehicle is considered "impounded" when the City of New York takes it into custody by taking any action inconsistent with the free use of the vehicle by the motorist, including, but not limited to, beginning to attach an immobilization device such as a "boot" or a hook on a Department of Transportation tow truck to the vehicle.

Law enforcement officer. A "law enforcement officer" shall mean a police officer or any authorized agent of the Department of Transportation.

Limited use vehicle. A "limited use vehicle" shall mean a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, which has a maximum performance speed of not more than forty miles per hour.

Marginal street. A "marginal street" shall mean any street, road, place, area or way adjoining or adjacent to waterfront property and designated as a marginal street, wharf or place on a plan or map adopted pursuant to law.

Motor vehicle. A "motor vehicle" shall mean every vehicle operated or driven upon a public highway which is propelled by any power other than muscular power, except as otherwise provided in §125 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

Official time standard. The term "official time standard" shall mean whenever certain hours are named in these rules or on traffic control devices they shall mean standard time or daylight-saving time, whichever may be in current use in this city.

Parking. "Parking" shall mean the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading property or passengers.

Passenger car. The term "passenger car" when used on traffic control devices, shall mean a motor vehicle designed and used for conveying not more than eight people and shall include motorcycles designed and used only for conveying people.

Service vehicle. A "Service vehicle" shall mean a commercial vehicle used for providing commercial services other than making pickups and deliveries, but shall not include a vehicle bearing "A", "C" or "D" series license plates issued by the U.S. Department of State and displaying a valid non-transferable service vehicle decal issued by the City of New York that is affixed to the inside of the operator’s side of the windshield.

Sidewalk. A "sidewalk" shall mean that portion of a street, whether paved or unpaved, between the curb lines or the lateral lines of a roadway and the adjacent property lines intended for the use of pedestrians. Where it is not clear which section is intended for the use of pedestrians, the sidewalk will be deemed to be that portion of the street between the building line and the curb.

Standing. The term "standing" shall mean the stopping of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers.

Stopping. The term "stopping" shall mean any halting, even momentarily of a vehicle, whether occupied or not.

Taxi. A "taxi" shall mean a motor vehicle used for the carriage of passengers for compensation, equipped with a taxi meter, painted yellow and displaying a current medallion issued by the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission.

Transitway. A "transitway" shall mean any roadway or series of roadways designated for the exclusive use of buses or taxis or such other designated high occupancy vehicles as may be permitted, during certain hours of the day, with access to such roadway(s) limited to one block thereof to other vehicles for the purpose of delivery of goods or services or the picking up or dropping off of passengers.

Truck. For the purposes of parking, standing and stopping rules, a "truck" is a commercial vehicle, as defined in paragraph (i) of the definition of commercial vehicle, above, except that, for the purposes of parking, standing and stopping rules in the area bounded by 35th Street on the south, 41st Street on the north, Avenue of the Americas on the east, and 8th Avenue on the
west, all inclusive, in the Borough of Manhattan, between the hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., a vehicle shall not be deemed a truck unless it complies with the provisions of §4-13(a)(1) of these rules.

**Vehicle.** A "vehicle" shall mean every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

**Waterfront property.** The term "waterfront property" shall mean all waterfront property, city or privately owned, between salt water and the next adverse owner. An adverse owner is the first private owner of property not designated as waterfront property.

**Wharf property.** The term "wharf property" shall mean all wharves, piers, decks and bulkheads and structures thereon and slips and basins, the land beneath any of the foregoing, and all rights, privileges and easements appurtenant thereto and land under water in the port of the City of New York, and such upland or made land adjacent thereto owned by the City of New York as is vested in or may be assigned to the Department of Business Services of the City of New York.
Section 4-02

COMPLIANCE WITH AND EFFECT OF TRAFFIC RULES

(a) Applicability of rules. The provisions of these rules apply to all vehicles, operators of vehicles, bicycles, operators of bicycles and pedestrians upon highways, parkways, shopping center parking lots and municipal areas including public housing, public hospital parking lots, and municipal lots and garages. These rules also apply on wharf property and marginal streets, in off-street parking facilities operated by the Department of Transportation, on vacant lots, and upon private roads open to public motor vehicle traffic, which for the purpose of application of these rules shall be considered streets, highways or parkways, except where a different place is specifically referred to.

(b) Suspension of rules. The Commissioner may, at his/her discretion, suspend any regulation contained herein in situations involving public safety and convenience.

(c) Dangerous driving. No person shall operate a vehicle in a manner that will endanger any person or property.

(d) All persons are required to comply with traffic rules.

(1) Exceptions. It is a traffic infraction for any person, including government employees, to do any act forbidden by or fail to perform any act required by these rules, except as otherwise provided herein.

(i) Authorized emergency vehicles. The operator of an authorized emergency vehicle when involved in an emergency operation as defined in §114-b of the Vehicle and Traffic Law may exercise the privileges set forth in §1104 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, subject to the conditions set forth therein.

(ii) Traffic/parking control vehicles. Unless specifically made applicable, the provisions of these rules shall not apply to operators of designated traffic or parking control vehicles, including, but not limited to, tow trucks, while actually engaged in activities necessary to perform their duties.

(iii) Snow plows, sand spreaders, sweepers and refuse trucks.

(A) The operator of a New York City Department of Sanitation snow plow, sand spreader, or sweeper, and the operator of a Department of Transportation vehicle when performing the same function, while in the performance of his/her duty and acting under the orders of his/her superior may make such turns as are necessary and proceed in the direction required to complete his/her cleaning, snow removal, or sand spreading operations subject to §1102 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law. The provisions of this subparagraph shall not apply while traveling to or from such work locations.

(B) The operator of a New York City Department of Sanitation refuse truck may temporarily stand on the roadway side of a vehicle parked at the curb, provided that no curb space is available within fifteen feet, while expeditiously loading refuse, subject to §1102 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

(iv) Highway workers. Unless specifically made applicable, the provisions of these rules shall not apply to persons, teams, motor vehicles, and other equipment actually engaged in work authorized by the City of New York, the State of New York or the federal government while on a highway. Section 1103 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law is applicable to any person or team or any operator of a motor vehicle or other equipment while actually engaged in work on a highway. As §1103 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law provides, such persons are not relieved from the duty to proceed at all times during all phases of such work with due regard for the safety of all persons nor shall the foregoing provisions of this subparagraph protect such persons or teams or such operators of motor vehicles or other equipment from the consequences of their reckless disregard for the safety of others.
(v) Highway inspection and quality assurance vehicles, compliance inspection unit and street assessment unit vehicles. Unless specifically made applicable, the provisions of these rules which relate to parking and standing shall not apply to operators of New York City Department of Transportation highway inspection vehicles, compliance inspection vehicles, and street assessment vehicles while actually engaged in activities necessary to perform their duties.

(2) Public employees. The provisions of these rules shall apply to the operator of any vehicle owned by or used in the service of the United States Government, New York State, New York City, or other states, cities, or any borough, and it shall be unlawful for any such operator to violate any of the provisions of these rules except as otherwise permitted by law.

(e) State law provisions superseded. Pursuant to authority provided by §1642 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, the following provisions of such law shall not be effective in the City of New York: §§1112, 1142(b), 1150, 1151, 1152, 1153, 1156(b), 1157, 1171, 1201, 1202, and 1234.
Section 4-03

TRAFFIC SIGNALS

(a) Traffic control signals. Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic control signals exhibiting different colored lights successively, the following colors shall indicate and apply to operators of vehicles and to pedestrians, except as superseded by pedestrian control signals, as follows:

(1) Green alone:
   (i) Vehicular traffic facing such signals may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at such place prohibits any such movement. But vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the right of way to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time such signal is exhibited.
   (ii) Pedestrians facing such signal may proceed across the roadway within any crosswalk.

(2) Steady yellow alone, dark period, or red-green combined when shown following the green signal:
   (i) Vehicular traffic facing such signal is thereby warned that the red signal will be exhibited immediately thereafter and such vehicular traffic shall not enter the intersection when the red signal is exhibited.
   (ii) Pedestrians facing such signal are thereby warned that there is insufficient time to cross the roadway, and shall not enter or cross the roadway. Pedestrians already in the roadway shall proceed to the nearest safety island or sidewalk.

(3) Steady red alone:
   (i) Vehicular traffic facing such signal shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until an indication to proceed is shown.
   (ii) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subdivision (a), or any provisions of state law, an operator approaching an intersection where a sign authorizes right or left turns on red signal may make such turn after coming to a complete stop, but shall yield the right of way to all vehicles and pedestrians lawfully within the intersection.
   (iii) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter or cross the roadway.

(4) Arrows. When colored lights shaped as arrows are used as traffic control signals, arrows pointing to the right shall apply to operators intending to enter the intersection to turn to the right, arrows pointing vertically shall apply to operators intending to enter the intersection to proceed straight through, and arrows pointing to the left shall apply to operators intending to enter the intersection to turn to the left. The colors of arrows shall have the same meanings as colors of traffic signal lights, but shall apply only to operators intending to enter the intersection to proceed in the direction controlled by the arrow.

(5) Signs. Operators shall comply with signs that refer to traffic control signals at places other than the intersections at which such signals are located, for example, "Stop here on red."

(6) Signals not at intersections. In the event an official traffic control signal is erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection, all the provisions of this subdivision (a) shall be applicable, except those provisions which by their nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the absence of any such sign or marking the stop shall be made at the signal.

(7) Nonfunctioning signals. Vehicular traffic facing a signal that is not working shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before entering the intersection and shall proceed with caution through the intersection.

(b) Blinking traffic control signals.
   (1) Red. Vehicular traffic facing such signals shall come to a complete stop and shall proceed only after yielding to any vehicles approaching from the cross street.
(2) **Yellow.** Vehicular traffic facing such signals shall proceed with caution through the intersection.

(c) **Pedestrian control signals.** Whenever pedestrian control signals are in operation, exhibiting the words "WALK" and "DON'T WALK" successively, the international green or red hand symbols, figures or any other internationally recognized representation concerning the movement of pedestrians, such signals shall indicate as follows:

(1) **WALK, green hand symbol or green walking figure.** Pedestrians facing such signal may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the signal in any crosswalk. Vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to such pedestrians.

(2) **Flashing DON'T WALK, red hand symbol or red standing figure.** Pedestrians facing such signal are warned that there is insufficient time to cross the roadway and no pedestrian shall enter or cross the roadway. Pedestrians already in the roadway shall proceed to the nearest safety island or sidewalk. Vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to such pedestrians.

(3) **Steady DON'T WALK red hand symbol or red standing figure.** Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter or cross the roadway.
Section 4-04

PEDESTRIANS

(a) Pedestrians subject to traffic rules, except as otherwise provided herein. Pedestrians shall be subject to traffic control signals and pedestrian control signals as provided in §§4-03(a) and 4-03(b) of these rules and to the lawful orders and directions of any law enforcement officer, but at all other places pedestrians shall be accorded the privileges and shall be subject to the restrictions stated in this section.

(b) Right of way in crosswalks.

(1) Operators to yield to pedestrians in crosswalk. When traffic control signals or pedestrian control signals are not in place or not in operation, the operator of a vehicle shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing a roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is in the path of the vehicle or is approaching so closely thereto as to be in danger.

(2) Pedestrians shall not cross in front of oncoming vehicles. Notwithstanding the provisions of (1) of this subdivision (b), no pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impossible for the operator to yield.

(3) Vehicles stopped for pedestrians. Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a crosswalk to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the operator of any other vehicle approaching from the rear in the same or adjacent lanes shall not overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.

(c) Restrictions on crossings.

(1) No pedestrian shall enter or cross a roadway at any point where signs, fences, barriers, or other devices are erected to prohibit or restrict such crossing or entry.

(2) No pedestrian shall cross any roadway at an intersection except within a crosswalk.

(3) No pedestrian shall cross a roadway except at a crosswalk on any block in which traffic control signals are in operation at both intersections bordering the block.

(d) Operators to exercise due care. Notwithstanding other provisions of these rules, the operator of a vehicle shall exercise due care to avoid colliding with any pedestrian.

(e) Hitch-hiking and soliciting prohibited.

(1) Talking or selling. No person shall stand in the roadway to talk with or sell or offer to sell anything to an occupant of any vehicle.

(2) Soliciting rides. No person shall solicit a ride from the occupant of a vehicle by word or gesture.

(3) Washing, polishing, cleaning and assisting parking. No person shall approach an operator or other occupant of a passenger vehicle on any street, while the vehicle has stopped temporarily, is about to stop, is parked or is about to be parked, for the purpose of washing, polishing, or cleaning such vehicle or any part of it, or offering to do so. Nor shall any person approach an operator or other occupant of a passenger vehicle for the purpose of directing it to a place for parking on any street or assisting in such parking, or offering any other service in relation to such vehicle, or soliciting a gratuity, except services rendered in connection with emergency repairs at the request of the operator of the vehicle.

(4) Opening or closing doors. No person, other than an occupant or prospective occupant of a passenger vehicle on a street, shall open, hold open, or close, or offer to open, hold open, or close any door of the vehicle. This provision shall not apply to such acts when intended purely as a social amenity without expectation or acceptance of a gratuity, nor to doormen or other persons employed by owners, occupants, or managers of abutting premises to render such service, nor when such service is incidental to other legitimate service being rendered to such an occupant or prospective occupant of a passenger vehicle.
(5) Hailing taxis. Unless asked to do so without advance solicitation (direct or implied), no person shall hail or procure for another, not in his or her social company, a taxi or other passenger vehicle.
Section 4-05

TURNS

(a) Compliance with turning restrictions. Whenever a traffic control device regulates any turn or other movement at an intersection or other location, no operator of any vehicle shall disregard the direction of such device, unless directed to do so by a law enforcement officer.

(b) Limitations on turning around.

(1) The operator of any vehicle shall not make a U-turn upon any street in a business district, as defined in §105 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

(2) The operator of a vehicle shall not make a U-turn upon any street outside a business district unless such turn is made without interfering with the right of way of any vehicle or pedestrian.
Section 4-06

SPEED RESTRICTIONS

(a) Maximum speed limits and basic rule.
   (1) No person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater than thirty miles per hour except where official signs indicate a different maximum speed limit.
   (2) Where official signs are posted indicating a maximum speed limit, no person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater than such maximum speed limit.
   (3) Reserved.
Section 4-07

OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENT

(a) **Yield signs.** The operator of a vehicle approaching a YIELD or YIELD-RIGHT-OF-WAY sign shall slow to a reasonable speed for existing conditions of traffic and visibility, stopping if necessary, and shall yield the right-of-way to all traffic on the intersecting street which is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard. Proceeding past such sign with resultant collision or other impediment or interference with traffic on the intersecting street shall be deemed prima facie evidence of a violation of this rule.

(b) **Obstruction of traffic.**
   (1) **Traffic lane.** No person shall operate a vehicle in a manner which obstructs traffic in lanes specifically designated for the movement of traffic. Such lanes include, but are not limited to, no standing zones and no stopping zones.
   (2) **Spillback.** No operator shall enter an intersection and its crosswalks unless there is sufficient unobstructed space beyond the intersection and its crosswalks in the lane in which he/she is traveling to accommodate the vehicle, notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed.

(c) **Restrictions on crossing sidewalks.**
   (1) **Driveways.** No person shall drive within any sidewalk area except at a permanent or temporary driveway.
   (2) **Avoiding intersections.** No person shall drive across a sidewalk or upon a driveway in order to avoid an intersection.
   (3) **Bicycles and limited use vehicles.**
      (i) No person shall ride or operate a bicycle upon any sidewalk area unless permitted by sign. This prohibition shall not apply to the operation of bicycles with wheels of less than 26 inches in diameter upon the sidewalk by children of 12 years or less in age.
      (ii) No person shall ride, park or operate a limited use vehicle within any sidewalk area except where permitted by sign. This prohibition shall not apply to the pushing of a limited use vehicle within a sidewalk area or to the pushing of such a vehicle to an authorized parking area.

(d) **Restrictions on backing.** No person shall back a vehicle into an intersection or over a crosswalk and shall not in any event or at any place back a vehicle unless such movement can be made in safety.

(e) **Play streets.** Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating any street or part thereof as a play street or play area, no person shall drive a vehicle upon any such street or area between 8 a.m. and one-half hour after sunset, unless other hours are prescribed by signs, except operators of vehicles having business or whose residences are within such restricted area. Any such operator shall exercise the greatest care in driving upon any such street.

(f) **Restrictions on learners.**
   (1) An operator with a learner's permit shall not operate a motor vehicle in any park, on any play street, or along any block in which there is an entrance to a public playground or park.
   (2) The licensed operator accompanying an operator with a learner's permit shall not permit such learner to violate paragraph (f)(1), above.

(g) **Following emergency vehicles prohibited.** The operator of any vehicle other than one on official public business shall not follow any emergency vehicle traveling in response to an emergency call closer than 200 feet, nor drive into nor park such vehicle within the block where such emergency work is in progress.

(h) **Driving on divided highways.**
(1) Whenever any highway is divided into two or more roadways by an intervening space, physical barrier, or clearly indicated dividing section so constructed as to impede vehicular traffic, every vehicle shall be driven only upon the right-hand roadway unless directed or permitted to use another roadway by official traffic control devices or law enforcement officers. No vehicle shall be driven over, across or within any such dividing space, barrier or section, except through an opening in such physical barrier or dividing section or space or at a crossover or intersection, as established, unless specifically authorized by public authority.

(2) No vehicle shall make a U-turn on a divided highway, except where permitted by sign or at the direction of a law enforcement officer.

(i) Towing of vehicles on parkways, expressways, drives, highways, interstate routes, thruways, and bridges.

(1) Restrictions. No person shall cause or permit a disabled vehicle to be towed except by a tow truck under permit issued by the commissioner of the Police Department, or by a Police Department tow truck and then only by such tow truck on the main roadway, including the berm or shoulder adjacent to said roadways or entrances and exits of the following parkways, expressways, thruways, and bridges:

- Belt Parkway System
- Bronx River Parkway
- Cross Island Parkway
- Grand Central Parkway
- Henry Hudson Parkway
- Hutchinson River Parkway
- Jackie Robinson Parkway
- Laurelton Parkway
- Moshulu Parkway Extension
- Richmond Parkway
- Shore Parkway
- Southern Parkway
- Brooklyn-Queens Expressway
- Bruckner Expressway
- Clearview Expressway
- Cross Bronx Expressway and Extension
- Franklin Delano Roosevelt Drive
- Gowanus Expressway
- Harlem River Drive
- Long Island Expressway
- Major Deegan Expressway
- Martin Luther King Expressway
- Miller Highway
- Nassau Expressway
- Northern Boulevard from Astoria Boulevard and Ditmars Boulevard Entrance to Linden Place Exit
- Governor Thomas E. Dewey Thruway (New England Section)
- Prospect Expressway
- Route 25A (Elevated Section) from 112th Place to 126th Street
- Sheridan Expressway
- Staten Island Expressway
- Throgs Neck Expressway
- Van Wyck Expressway and Extension
- West Shore Expressway
- Whitestone Expressway
Brooklyn Bridge
Manhattan Bridge
Queensboro Bridge
Williamsburg Bridge
Alexander Hamilton Bridge
Eastern Boulevard (Bruckner Boulevard) Bridge
Hutchinson River Parkway Extension Bridge
Kosciuszko Bridge
Midtown Highway Bridge
Mill Basin Bridge
Third Avenue Bridge between Manhattan and Bronx
Unionport Bridge
Whitestone Expressway Bridge
Willis Avenue Bridge

(2) **Police commissioner may waive requirements.** The commissioner of the Police Department in his/her discretion may waive and reimpose the requirement for a permit in the case of any specific bridge, highway, parkway, expressway, drive, interstate route and thruway.

(3) **Road service and towing rates.** For the purpose of this paragraph, road service shall mean service performed that will enable a vehicle to continue under its own power.

(i) **Road service, all vehicles**
   (A) Gasoline delivery, not including cost of gas ........................................... $ 25.00
   (B) Removing each flat tire and replacing each with spare tire ......................... $ 25.00
   (C) Battery boost .......................................................................................... $ 25.00

(ii) **Passenger cars, hoist and tow, per mile and storage fees.** Hoist and tow fees, per mile fees, and storage fees for all passenger cars towed pursuant to arterial tow service permits in the City of New York, shall be those provided for such services in subdivisions a and b of §2-368 of subchapter EE of title 6 of the rules of the city of New York.

(iii) **Vehicles other than passenger cars**
   (A) Any vehicle with a maximum gross vehicle weight over 4,500 lbs. and under 10,000 lbs.
      1. Preparation, hoist and tow, including first mile or fraction thereof $125.00
      2. Each additional mile ................................................................. $ 5.00
      3. Storage per 24-hour period ...................................................... $35.00
   (B) Any two axle truck or bus with a maximum gross vehicle weight from 10,000 to
       18,000 lbs.
      1. Preparation, hoist and tow, including first mile or fraction thereof $175.00
      2. Each additional mile ................................................................. $ 10.00
      3. Use of under-lift ........................................................................... $50.00
      4. Storage per 24-hour period ...................................................... $50.00
   (C) Any two axle truck or bus with a maximum gross vehicle weight from 18,000 to
       26,000 lbs.
      1. Preparation, hoist and tow, including first mile or fraction thereof $250.00
      2. Each additional mile ................................................................. $ 10.00
      3. Use of under-lift ........................................................................... $50.00
      4. Storage per 24-hour period ...................................................... $50.00
   (D) Any truck, bus or tractor trailer with a maximum gross vehicle weight above 26,000 lbs.
      1. Preparation, hoist and tow, including first mile or fraction thereof $300.00
      2. Each additional mile ................................................................. $ 10.00
      3. Use of under-lift ........................................................................... $100.00
4. Storage for tractor, per 24-hour period........................................... $50.00
5. Storage for bus or trailer, per 24-hour period............................... $75.00
(E) Labor per 1/4 hour per truck or per person or tow operator.......... $50.00
Applies only to vehicles over 4,500 lbs. in the following situations: overturned, wedged on guardrails, off-road recovery (embankment) and may apply to jackknifed, wedged under overpass/bridge, or broken/defective axle in which recovery (off-loading or positioning) must be performed prior to actual tow.
(F) Special equipment such as fork lifts, cranes, loading equipment, trailer, tractor, front end loaders and dump trucks will be considered rented equipment. The cost for such equipment will be billed on a daily basis with the approval of the Department.
(G) Tire service. If subcontracting to a tire company is required for on-road service, the tow vehicle must remain on the scene. Billing will be calculated for actual work time at $100.00 per hour. Subcontracting for off-roadway service, no tow truck required to remain on scene: a one-time charge of $55.00.

(j) Yearly and single issue permits for use of roadways.
(1) General information. Vehicles normally prohibited from roadways may be issued yearly or single-use permits by the Department of Transportation upon application in writing. Such permits must be displayed so that they are visible through the windshield. The Commissioner or his/her designee may charge a fee for such permits equal to the cost of administering the permit program.
(2) Eligible groups and vehicles. Yearly permits are available to the following, as well as to any other groups or vehicles specified by the Commissioner or his/her designee:
   (i) companies that transport passengers to and from airports;
   (ii) commuter and shuttle services;
   (iii) ambulettes;
   (iv) school bus companies;
   (v) buses;
   (vi) medical, blood and human service programs;
   (vii) not-for-profit groups going to and from special events;
   (viii) vehicles that service businesses accessible only by use of parkways; and (ix) service vehicles that repair and maintain highways and highway facilities.
(3) Authorized roadways. Yearly and single issue permits will be granted only for the following roadways or any other area designated by the Department of Transportation:
   (i) Belt Parkway: Except that the roadway between Knapp Street and Rockaway Parkway is limited to vehicles weighing under 5 tons when fully loaded.
   (ii) Bronx River Parkway
   (iii) Cross Island Parkway
   (iv) Eastern Parkway
   (v) Grand Central Parkway: Between the Triboro Bridge and the Van Wyck Expressway
   (vi) Harlem River Drive
   (vii) Henry Hudson Parkway
   (viii) Hutchinson River Parkway
   (ix) Mosholu Parkway
   (x) Pelham Parkway
   (xi) Richmond Parkway
   (xii) Willowbrook Parkway
   For reasons of safety, the use of these roadways may be limited.
(4) Duration. Permits are issued for the minimum hours and days essential for the activity. Bus permits are valid only while transporting passengers. Yearly permits are issued on an annual basis on dates determined by the Department of Transportation. These permits are renewable by
reapplication in writing to the Department of Transportation. The Commissioner or his/her
designee may, at his/her discretion, issue, extend or revoke any permit.

(k) Express lanes on limited access highways.

(1) Restrictions. Wherever signs are erected on highways or bridges giving notice of express
lanes, no person shall operate a vehicle other than a vehicle as specified in paragraph (2) of this
subsection, a medallion taxi or a for-hire vehicle with at least one passenger as specified in
paragraph (3) of this subdivision, an emergency vehicle as specified in paragraph (4) of this
subsection, or a vehicle classified as an HOV, with or without EZPASS as specified on such sign,
within a designated express lane on a highway or bridge during the hours specified on such
signs.

(2) Buses, out-of-state bus equivalents, Access-A-Ride vehicles, ambulettes and
wheelchair accessible vans. Vehicles registered as buses in New York State, vehicles
registered out-of-state that are equivalent to New York State registered buses, all vehicles
authorized by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority New York City Transit ("MTA/NYCT") to
provide Access-A-Ride service, ambulettes, wheelchair accessible vans, and motorcycles shall
be eligible to use express lanes on highways or bridges pursuant to this subdivision as follows:

(i) The owner or operator of any vehicle registered as a bus in New York State shall be able to
provide proof of:

(A) operating authority issued by one or more of the following as required: the appropriate
New York City agency, department or authority; the New York State Department of
Transportation; or the Interstate Commerce Commission; and
(B) current valid vehicle registration indicating New York State bus or official license
plates; and
(C) minimum vehicle seating capacity of 16 passengers not including the operator; and
(D) seating capacity consistent with the seating capacity set forth in the appropriate grant
of operating authority; and
(E) valid insurance consistent with state requirements.

(ii) The owner or operator of any vehicle registered out-of-state that is equivalent to a New York
State registered bus shall be able to provide proof of:

(A) operating authority issued by one or more of the following as required: the appropriate
New York City agency, department or authority; the appropriate out-of-state authorizing
agency, department or authority; or the Interstate Commerce Commission; and
(B) current valid vehicle registration indicating license plates equivalent to New York
State bus or official license plates; and
(C) minimum vehicle seating capacity of 16 passengers not including the operator; and
(D) seating capacity consistent with the seating capacity set forth in the appropriate grant
of operating authority; and
(E) valid insurance consistent with State requirements.

(iii) The owner or operator of any vehicle authorized by the Metropolitan Transportation
Authority New York City Transit ("MTA/NYCT") to provide Access-A-Ride service, ambulette or
wheelchair accessible van shall be able to provide proof of:

(A) operating authority issued by one or more of the following as required: the New York
City Taxi and Limousine Commission; the New York State Department of Transportation;
or the Interstate Commerce Commission; and
(B) current valid vehicle registration; and
(C) seating capacity consistent with the seating capacity set forth in the applicable grant
of operating authority, where such grant specifies a seating capacity; and
(D) valid insurance consistent with state requirements.

(iv) The owner or operator of any vehicle registered as a motorcycle in New York State shall be
able to provide proof of:
(A) current valid vehicle registration; and
(B) valid insurance consistent with State requirements.

(3) **Taxis and for-hire vehicles.** Medallion taxis and for-hire vehicles duly licensed by the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission carrying at least one passenger shall be allowed to use express lanes on highways or bridges. Medallion taxis and for-hire vehicles without passengers shall not be allowed to use express lanes on highways or bridges. Medallion taxis and for-hire vehicles without passengers shall not be allowed to use express lanes on highways or bridges.

(4) **Emergency vehicles.** Emergency vehicles responding to emergencies shall be allowed to use express lanes on highways or bridges. Emergency vehicles not responding to emergencies shall not be allowed to use express lanes on highways or bridges.

(l) **Use of the Grand Central Parkway by certain vehicles.** Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules to the contrary, single-unit vehicles with no more than three axles and ten tires may operate in both directions on the roadway of the Grand Central Parkway, between the Triborough Bridge and the western leg of the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway. Buses will continue to be prohibited from operating on the Grand Central Parkway without consent.

(m) **Use of the Korean War Veterans Parkway by certain vehicles.** Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules to the contrary, not more than forty-ton motor vehicles commonly classified as construction trucks owned and/or operated by the Department of Environmental Protection of the City of New York, its agents or contractors shall be permitted the use of the Korean War Veterans Parkway during remediation of the Brookfield landfill in Staten Island for the purpose of the remediation of such landfill, provided that such trucks comply with all other provisions of applicable state and local law, including but not limited to §4-15 of these rules.
Section 4-08

PARKING, STOPPING, STANDING

(a) General provisions.

(1) Compliance with rules. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, whether attended or unattended, other than in accordance with authorized signs, pavement markings, or other traffic control devices, unless necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or direction of any law enforcement officer or other person authorized to enforce these rules.

(i) Sign placement. For purposes of this §4-08, one authorized regulatory sign anywhere on a block, which is the area of sidewalk between one intersection and the next, shall be sufficient notice of the restriction(s) in effect on that block.

(2) Stopping prohibited. When stopping is prohibited by signs or rules, no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, whether attended or unattended.

(3) Standing prohibited. When standing is prohibited by signs or rules, no person shall stop a vehicle, attended or unattended, except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in expeditiously receiving or discharging passengers.

(4) Parking prohibited. When parking is prohibited by signs or rules, no person shall stop a vehicle, attended or unattended, except temporarily for the purpose of and while expeditiously receiving or discharging passengers or loading or unloading property to or from the curb.

(5) Vehicles prohibited on berms and shoulders. Stopping, parking or operating a motor vehicle is prohibited on the berm or shoulder adjacent to a parkway or a highway as specified in §4-07(i) of these rules, except for emergency purposes.

(6) Paper or other temporary signs. Any paper or other temporary signs posted by authorized law enforcement agencies shall supersede all existing posted rules for the days and times specified. Regulations placed inside parking meters by the Department of Transportation so as to cover rate plates and the inside of the dome of the meter shall supersede all existing posted rules for the time the insert remains in the parking meter.

(7) Holiday suspensions of parking rules.

(i) Major legal holidays. Except as provided in subparagraph (ii), of this paragraph, stopping, standing, or parking rules that are indicated on official signs shall be suspended on the days on which the following major legal holidays are officially observed by the City of New York: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. In addition, if New Year's Day, Independence Day or Christmas Day is officially observed on a day other than January 1, July 4 or December 25, respectively, then major legal holiday rules shall be in effect both on the official day of observance and on the traditional day of observance.

(ii) Exception. Parking, standing and stopping rules that are indicated on official signs shall remain in effect on the dates of both official and traditional observance of the above-listed major legal holidays only in areas where signs indicate that parking, standing and stopping rules are in effect seven days a week, provided, however, that the activation of meters that are required by posted sign to be activated seven days a week shall be suspended on major legal holidays pursuant to subparagraph (i).

(iii) Street cleaning rules suspended.

(A) Street cleaning parking rules are suspended on the days listed in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, and on the following holidays: Yom Kippur, Rosh Hashanah, Ash Wednesday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Ascension Thursday, Feast of the Assumption, Feast of All Saints, Feast of the Immaculate Conception, first two days of Succoth, Shemini Atzereth, Simchas Torah, Shavuot, Purim, Orthodox Holy Thursday, Orthodox Good Friday, first two and last two days of Passover, Idul-Fitr, Idul-Adha, Asian
Lunar New Year, on all state and national holidays, on the following additional legal holidays: Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, President's Day, Columbus Day-observed, Election Day, and Veteran's Day, and on such other days as announced by the Commissioner or his/her designee.

(B) For the purposes of this subparagraph (iii), street cleaning parking rules shall mean those rules (a) on posted signs consisting of the letter "P" with a broom through it or (b) except as otherwise provided in item (D) of this subparagraph, on posted signs containing "No Parking" rules restricting parking on one day per week or on alternate days.

(C) "No Parking" street cleaning rules, located in parking meter zones, are suspended on the days on which street cleaning rules are suspended and on such other days as announced by the Commissioner or his/her designee. Suspension of street cleaning rules does not affect the requirement of activating the meter during the hours that such meter is in effect.

(D) Posted signs restricting parking for a period of six or more consecutive hours on one day per week or on alternate days are not street cleaning parking rules. However, such restrictions are suspended on the days that street cleaning rules are suspended.

(8) Disabled vehicles. A vehicle that becomes disabled must be pushed to the side of the road so that it obstructs traffic as little as possible, and must be removed expeditiously.

(9) Immobilization and towing of illegally parked vehicles.

(i) Time and manner of immobilization. Any illegally parked vehicle found parked at any time upon any public highway in the City may, by or under the direction of any person authorized by the Commissioner, be immobilized in such manner as to prevent its operation, and thereafter may be removed to a tow pound as provided in these rules; provided, however, that no such vehicle shall be immobilized by any means other than by the use of a device or other mechanism which will cause no damage to such vehicle unless such vehicle is moved while such device or mechanism is in place.

(ii) Notice. Notice of immobilization pursuant to this paragraph shall be placed in a conspicuous place on the vehicle. Such notice shall contain:

   (A) a warning that any attempt to move the vehicle may result in damage to the vehicle; and

   (B) the time, place and manner in which the vehicle may be redeemed.

(iii) Immobilization fee. The registrant of an immobilized vehicle which has not yet been removed to a tow pound pursuant to these rules, or any other person authorized by the registrant of such vehicle, may secure the release of the vehicle upon satisfaction of all parking summonses in judgment, if any, for which the registrant of the immobilized vehicle is liable and payment of an immobilization fee of $185.00.

(iv) Applicable rules. Where a vehicle has been both immobilized and towed, the owner shall be subject to both the immobilization requirements of this paragraph, and all applicable provisions of these rules.

(v) Right to immediate hearing. The registrant, title holder or operator of any vehicle that has been immobilized shall have the right to an immediate hearing during regular business hours at the Parking Violations Bureau in relation to the immobilization.

(vi) Removal fee. The fee for removal of illegally parked vehicles to a tow pound shall be determined in accordance with the following fee schedule. Said fee shall be payable before such vehicles are released.

   (A) The removal fee for Regular Towing shall be $185.00 and shall apply to any vehicle that has a gross vehicle weight less than 6,500 pounds, that may be towed through the use of a single tow truck not weighing more than eight tons.

   (B) The removal fee for Heavy Duty Towing shall be $370.00 and shall apply to any vehicle that has a gross vehicle weight of 6,500 pounds or greater, and/or requires either
more than one tow truck or a single tow truck which weighs in excess of eight tons, in order to be towed.

(vii) **Storage fee.** In addition to the removal fee set forth in subparagraph (vi) of this paragraph (9), there shall be a storage fee of $20.00 for each day such vehicle remains in the possession of the city, up to and including the day such vehicle is released. Said fee shall be payable before such vehicle is released.

(viii) **Vehicles not removed considered abandoned.** Any vehicle which is not removed from city property within 10 days following the mailing of a request to remove it shall be deemed to be an abandoned vehicle pursuant to paragraph (d) of subdivision 1 of §1224 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law and shall be disposed of by the Commissioner pursuant to such law. Such request shall be sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the registered owner of the vehicle, at the address contained on the registration of such vehicle.

(ix) **Release of vehicle in process of being removed.** When a vehicle has been hooked to a tow truck in preparation for removal to a pound but the owner or other person lawfully entitled to possession of such vehicle appears and requests the release of such vehicle before the tow truck is in motion, such vehicle shall be unhooked and released, provided, however, that the person to whom such vehicle is released must execute a binding agreement consenting to pay the vehicle release penalty as set forth in subparagraph (x) of this paragraph (9) within thirty days from the date of such agreement and, in the event of non-payment, to the imposition of additional penalties in accordance with subparagraph (xi) of this paragraph (9); and provided further that such person present a current valid driver's license and either registration for the vehicle, title to the vehicle, insurance identification and keys for the vehicle, a rental agreement and keys for the vehicle in case of a rental vehicle, or company identification and keys for the vehicle in the case of a commercial vehicle.

(x) **Vehicle release penalty.** The penalty for the release of an illegally parked vehicle under the circumstances permitted by subparagraph (ix) of this paragraph (9) shall be $100.00 for illegally parked vehicles which meet the criteria contained in subparagraph (vi)(A) of this paragraph (9), and $200.00 for illegally parked vehicles which meet the criteria listed in subparagraph (vi)(B) of this paragraph (9). This fee is in addition to any other monetary fine(s) and penalty(ies) permitted by law for the underlying parking violation(s); provided, however, that in no event shall a vehicle release penalty be imposed if the underlying parking violation or, in the case of multiple parking violations, all underlying parking violations, is (are) dismissed by the Parking Violations Bureau.

(xi) **Non-payment of vehicle release penalty.** The Parking Violations Bureau may, in accordance with law, prescribe additional penalties for non-payment of the vehicle release penalty set forth in sub-paragraph (x) of this paragraph (9) and enter and enforce default judgments for such vehicle release penalty and additional penalties.

(10) **Notification stickers.**

(i) **Issued by Traffic Enforcement Agents.** When stopping, standing or parking is prohibited by sign or rule and an unattended vehicle is stopped, standing or parked so as to interfere with the free flow of traffic, Traffic Enforcement Agents are hereby authorized to affix a sticker on the operator's side back seat window of the vehicle informing the operator of said violation and interference. The dimensions of the sticker shall be 8 1/2" by 11" with the words: "This vehicle violates New York City Traffic Rules. The resulting obstruction of traffic caused unnecessary delays." The words "New York City Department of Transportation" shall also appear on the sticker.

(ii) **Issued by the Department of Sanitation.** When parking is prohibited by sign or rule and an unattended parked vehicle interferes with the cleaning of the streets by the Department of Sanitation, the Commissioner of Sanitation is hereby authorized to affix a sticker on the operator's side back seat window of the vehicle informing the operator of said violation and
interference. The dimensions of the sticker shall be 8 1/2" by 11" with the words: "This vehicle violates New York City Traffic Rules. As a result, this street could not be properly cleaned. A cleaner New York is up to you." The words "New York City Department of Sanitation" shall also appear on the sticker.

(iii) Issued by the Fire Department. When an unattended vehicle is parked, standing or stopped in violation of subdivision (e), paragraph (2) below, and obstructs access to any fire hydrant, the Commissioner of the Fire Department is hereby authorized to affix a sticker on the operator's side back seat window of the vehicle, informing the operator of said violation and obstruction. The dimensions of the sticker shall be 8 1/2" by 11" with the words: "This vehicle violates New York City Traffic Rules and is obstructing a fire hydrant. As a result, the violator is jeopardizing the life and property of the general public." The words "Fire Department of New York" shall also appear on the sticker.

(iv) Issued by MTA New York City Transit Managers. When standing is prohibited by a bus stop sign and an unattended vehicle other than an authorized bus is standing in such bus stop so as to interfere with the free movement of buses into such bus stop in violation of §4-08(c)(3) of these rules, MTA New York City Transit Managers are hereby authorized, only after having issued a summons to such vehicle, to affix a sticker on the driver side backseat window of the vehicle informing the operator of said violation and interference. The dimensions of the sticker shall be 8 ½" by 11" and shall include the words: "This vehicle violates New York City Traffic Rules. The resulting obstruction of traffic causes delay, safety hazards, and interferes with accessibility of the bus to passengers." The words "MTA New York City Transit" also shall appear on the sticker.

(11) Restricted area. The Parking Violations Bureau shall be authorized to establish a separate fine schedule for violations committed in the restricted area, as defined herein. Such fine schedule may be higher than the fine schedule for violations committed outside the restricted area. As used herein, restricted area shall mean all of Manhattan, south from the north building line on 96th Street but excluding all of Central Park.

(12) In-vehicle parking system.

(i) Definition. Whenever these rules refer to an in-vehicle parking system ("IVPS"), such term shall refer collectively to the electronic component, the electronic debit card that is inserted into the electronic component to activate it, and the windshield sticker that must be displayed on the vehicle, all as further described in this section. All components of the IVPS are non-transferable and must be activated, installed, displayed, or otherwise operated in the manner set forth in these rules in order for use of the IVPS to be valid.

(A) Electronic component. The electronic component of an IVPS is a small portable electronic module slightly larger than a pocket calculator that is designed to be placed on top of a vehicle’s dashboard behind the windshield, capable of reading and writing to and from an electronic debit card, and incorporating an electronic display on which information can be seen readily. Unless otherwise required by law or rule, only one electronic component will be issued to the registered owner of the vehicle(s) in which the IVPS is to be used. Each electronic component shall be numerically keyed to the electronic debit card and all windshield stickers of the IVPS to which it is issued.

(B) Electronic debit card.

(a) A card, whether or not prepaid, capable of being programmed to allow a user to activate an IVPS for a particular purpose when read by the electronic component.

(b) Each electronic debit card shall be numerically keyed to the electronic component of the IVPS to which it is issued.

(C) Windshield sticker(s).

(a) Windshield stickers must be displayed on the right side of the windshield in each vehicle in order for an IVPS to be valid.
(b) Each windshield sticker shall be numerically keyed to the electronic component of the IVPS to which it is issued.

(c) Unless otherwise required by law or rule, at the request of the registered owner of the vehicle(s) in which the IVPS will be used, a maximum of ten (10) windshield stickers will be issued to such person.

(ii) Use of in-vehicle parking systems. In-vehicle parking systems may only be used:

(A) to park in a space regulated by a parking meter instead of using another authorized method of payment as defined in subdivision (h) paragraph (7) of this section of these rules; or

(B) in conjunction with the issuance of a permit pursuant to subdivision (o) of this section of these rules instead of a permit card.

(iii) Issuance of in-vehicle parking systems.

(A) Issuance.

(a) IVPS applications shall be issued by the Bureau of Parking, Permit Section, and must be submitted by mail, including the following information about the applicant, in addition to any other information required on the application.

(1) Name.

(2) Home (or mailing) address.

(3) Evening telephone number.

(4) Daytime telephone number.

(5) Copy of valid driver’s license.

(6) Copy of valid vehicle registration for each vehicle (to a maximum of ten) in which the IVPS will be used.

(b) [Reserved]

(c) In addition to prepaid electronic debit cards, as described below, applicants shall receive:

(1) One electronic component.

(2) One windshield sticker for each vehicle for which a valid registration is shown.

(d) Electronic debit cards shall be sold by the Bureau of Parking, Permit Section, by mail, in various denominations and must be prepaid by certified check or money order of the value of the electronic debit card(s) sought to be purchased.

(e) IVPSs and electronic debit cards shall be mailed to applicants via certified mail; provided, however, that an applicant may request that they be picked up by the applicant at the Bureau of Parking, Permit Section, upon presentation by the applicant of his/her valid driver’s license.

(B) Fees. There shall be a deposit fee of one hundred dollars ($100) payable by certified check or money order, for each IVPS, which fee shall be refunded when the IVPS is returned to the Department. Destruction of, damage to, loss or theft of the electronic component of the IVPS shall result in the automatic forfeiture of the deposit fee.

(b) Violation of posted no stopping rules prohibited. When official signs, markings or traffic-control devices have been posted prohibiting, restricting or limiting the stopping of vehicles, no person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle in violation of the restrictions posted on such signs, markings or traffic-control devices.

(c) Violation of posted no standing rules prohibited. When official signs, markings or traffic-control devices have been posted prohibiting, restricting or limiting the standing of vehicles, no person shall stand or park any vehicle in violation of the restrictions posted on such signs, markings or traffic-control devices, except as otherwise provided herein:

(1) No standing (snow emergency). When the Commissioner declares a state of snow emergency, no person shall stand or park a vehicle upon a street designated by signs as a snow
street, or upon any other area referred to in §4-12(k)(1) of these rules and except as otherwise provided therein.

(2) **No standing-taxi stand.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle other than a taxi in a taxi stand when any such stand has been officially designated and appropriately posted except that the operator of a vehicle may temporarily stand therein for the purpose of expeditiously receiving and discharging passengers provided such standing does not interfere with any taxi about to enter or leave such zone.

(3) **No standing-bus stop.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle other than an authorized bus in its assigned bus stop when any such stop has been officially designated and appropriately posted except that the operator of a vehicle may temporarily stand therein for the purpose of expeditiously receiving and discharging passengers provided such standing does not interfere with any bus about to enter or leave such zone.

(4) **No standing except authorized vehicles.** Except as provided in paragraph (8) of this subdivision, where a posted sign reads "No Standing Except Authorized Vehicles," no vehicles, except those designated by a rider attached to such sign, may stand or park in that area.

(5) **No standing-hotel loading zone.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle in such zone except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers and their personal baggage at hotels.

(6) **No standing-commuter van stop.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle other than a commuter van in a commuter van stop when such a stop has been officially designated and appropriately posted, except that an operator of such other vehicle may temporarily stand therein for the purpose of expeditiously receiving or discharging passengers provided such standing does not interfere with any commuter van about to enter or leave such zone.

(7) **No standing-for-hire vehicle stop.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle other than a for-hire vehicle in a for-hire vehicle stop when such a stop has been officially designated and appropriately posted, except that an operator of such other vehicle may temporarily stand therein for the purpose of expeditiously receiving or discharging passengers provided such standing does not interfere with any for-hire vehicle about to enter or leave such zone.

(8) **No standing except certain diplomatic and consular vehicles.**

   (i) Where a posted sign reads "No Standing Except Vehicles with Consul-C or Diplomat-A&D License Plates D/S Decals Only", no person may stand or park a vehicle in such area except as follows:

   (A) a person may stand or park a vehicle in such area if such vehicle bears "A", "C" or "D" series license plates issued by the U.S. Department of State, such vehicle displays a valid non-transferable service vehicle decal issued by the City of New York that is affixed to the inside of the operator's side of the windshield, and such person is authorized to park or stand in a space in such area by the foreign mission or consulate that has been allocated such space by the Department; or

   (B) a person may stand a vehicle temporarily (no more than thirty (30) minutes) in such area for the purpose of and while actually engaged in delivering, loading or unloading for official business if such vehicle bears "A", "C" or "D" series license plates issued by the U.S. Department of State, such vehicle displays a valid non-transferable delivery vehicle decal issued by the City of New York that is affixed to the inside of the operator's side of the windshield, such person is authorized to stand in a space in such area by the foreign mission or consulate that has been allocated such space by the Department, and a delivery is being made to such foreign mission or consulate.

   (ii) Where a posted sign reads "No Standing Except Vehicles with Consul-C or Diplomat-A&D License Plates Delivery Decal Required 30 Minute Limit", no person may stand or park a vehicle in such area except a person may stand a vehicle temporarily (no more than thirty (30) minutes) in such area for the purpose of and while actually engaged in
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delivering, loading or unloading for official business if such vehicle bears "A", "C" or "D" series license plates issued by the U.S. Department of State and displays a valid non-transferable delivery vehicle decal issued by the City of New York that is affixed to the inside of the operator's side of the windshield.

(d) Violation of posted no parking rules prohibited. When official signs, markings or traffic control devices have been posted prohibiting, restricting or limiting the parking of vehicles, no person shall park any vehicle in violation of the restrictions posted on such signs, markings or traffic control devices, except as otherwise provided herein:

(1) No parking-street cleaning. No person shall park a vehicle in violation of officially posted street cleaning rules, as defined in subsection (a)(7)(ii) of these rules, unless such rules have been suspended by the Commissioner or his/her designee pursuant to subsection (a)(7) of these rules.

(2) No parking-taxi stand. No person shall park a vehicle other than a taxi in a taxi stand when any such stand has been officially designated and appropriately posted except that the operator of a passenger or commercial vehicle may temporarily stop or stand therein provided such stopping or standing does not interfere with any taxi about to enter or leave such zone.

(3) No parking except handicapped permits (off-street).

(i) No person shall park a vehicle in any off-street parking space designated for use by the handicapped pursuant to §1203-c of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, or designated by blue painted lines or markings displaying the international symbol of access unless:

(A) Such person is, or is transporting, a handicapped permittee and displays a state special vehicle identification permit issued by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or

(B) Such vehicle is registered in accordance with §404-a of the Vehicle and Traffic Law and is being used for the transportation of handicapped persons, or

(C) Such vehicle displays a special license plate or parking permit issued by any governmental entity subject to the laws of the United States, or a foreign country for the purpose of granting special parking privileges to people with disabilities.

(ii) Handicapped plates or permits issued by New York State or by any other state, district, territory or other governmental entity or foreign country shall be valid only in designated off-street parking areas. They are not valid in on-street parking areas.

(4) Official markings. When markings upon the curb or the pavement of a street designate a parking space, no person shall stand or park a vehicle in such designated parking space so that any part of the vehicle occupies more than one space or protrudes beyond the markings designating such a space, except that a vehicle which is of a size too large to be parked within a single designated parking space shall be parked with the front bumper at the front of the space with the rear of the vehicle extending as little as possible into the adjoining space to the rear, or vice-versa. Notwithstanding the above, no vehicle that is too long and/or too wide to be parked within a single designated parking space shall be parked in such a space which is designated for angle parking.

(5) No parking except authorized vehicles. Where a posted sign reads "No Parking Except Authorized Vehicles," no vehicles, except those designated by a rider attached to such sign, may park in that area.

(6) No parking-hotel loading zone. No person shall park a vehicle in such zone except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers and their personal baggage at hotels.

(e) General no stopping zones (stopping, standing and parking prohibited in specified places). No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle in any of the following places, unless otherwise indicated by posted signs, markings or other traffic control devices, or at the direction of a law enforcement officer, or as otherwise provided in this subdivision:
(1) Traffic lanes. In any lane intended for the free movement of vehicles, except a lane immediately adjacent to the curb, unless such lane is designated by signs as a traffic lane, and except as otherwise provided in subdivision (f), paragraph (1) below. In no instance shall a vehicle extend more than 8 feet from the nearest curb.

(2) Hydrants. Within fifteen feet of a fire hydrant, unless otherwise indicated by signs, or parking meters, except that during the period from sunrise to sunset if standing is not otherwise prohibited, the operator of a passenger car may stand the vehicle alongside a fire hydrant provided that the operator remains in the operator's seat ready for immediate operation of the vehicle at all times and starts the motor of the car on hearing the approach of fire apparatus, and provided further, that the operator shall immediately remove the car from alongside the fire hydrant when instructed to do so by any member of the police, fire, or other municipal department acting in his/her official capacity.

(3) Sidewalks. On a sidewalk.

(4) Intersections. Within an intersection, except on the side of a roadway opposite a street which intersects but does not cross such roadway and except as provided in paragraph (5), below.

(5) Crosswalks. In a crosswalk.

(6) Street excavations. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct any traffic lane.

(7) Tunnels and elevated roadways. Within a highway tunnel or upon an elevated or controlled access roadway when all lanes are normally available for moving traffic.

(8) Divided highways. Parking, standing and stopping are prohibited alongside the median dividing a highway into two or more separate roadways. However, alongside the medians of certain segments of such divided highways, the department may post signs restricting parking, standing and stopping alongside the medians of such segments only on specified days and/or hours. Wherever such signs are so posted on a segment of a divided highway, parking, standing and stopping are permitted alongside the median of such segment on the days and/or hours when parking, standing and stopping are not specifically prohibited by such signs. On segments of such highway where such signs are not posted, parking, standing and stopping alongside the median are prohibited at all times. For the purposes of this paragraph, a segment of a divided highway is the area of such highway between adjacent intersections.

(9) Bicycle lanes. Within a designated bicycle lane.

(10) Restricted use and limited use streets. On any street designated as a restricted use street or a limited use street as defined in §4-12(r)(4) of these rules, except as otherwise provided in §4-12(r)(1).

(11) Major roadways. On the improved or paved roadway of any of the arteries set forth in §4-07(i) of these rules, or on improved or paved roadways in a park or in parks, for the purpose of removing or replacing a flat tire, unless permitted by posted signs. For the purposes of this rule, a vehicle is considered to be on the improved or paved roadway unless the vehicle is completely off such roadway.

(12) Obstructing traffic at intersection. When vehicular traffic is stopped on the opposite side of an intersection, no person shall drive a vehicle into such intersection, except when making a turn, unless there is adequate space on the opposite side of the intersection to accommodate the vehicle the person is driving, notwithstanding the indication of a traffic control signal which would permit the person to proceed.

(f) General no standing zones (standing and parking prohibited in specified places). No person shall stand or park a vehicle in any of the following places, unless otherwise indicated by posted signs, markings or other traffic control devices, or at the direction of a law enforcement officer:

(1) Double parking. On the roadway side of a vehicle stopped, standing, or parked at the curb, except a person may stand a commercial vehicle alongside a vehicle parked at the curb at such locations and during such hours that stopping, standing, or parking is not prohibited, while
expeditiously making pickups, deliveries or service calls, provided that there is no unoccupied parking space or designated loading zone on either side of the street within 100 feet that can be used for such standing, and provided further that such standing is in compliance with the provisions of §1102 of the State Vehicle and Traffic Law. A person may stand a commercial vehicle along the roadway side of a bicycle lane provided all other conditions of this paragraph are met. For the purposes of this paragraph (f)(1), “expeditiously making pick-ups, deliveries or service calls” shall mean that any period of inactivity at the pick-up, delivery or service-call location does not exceed 30 minutes. However, such definition shall in no way limit the discretion of the Department of Finance Adjudication Tribunal to determine whether a violation of this paragraph has occurred.

(2) **Driveways.** In front of a public or private driveway, except that it shall be permissible for the owner, lessor or lessee of the lot accessed by a private driveway to park a passenger vehicle registered to him/her at that address in front of such driveway, provided that such lot does not contain more than two dwelling units and further provided that such parking does not violate any other provision of the Vehicle and Traffic Law or local law or rule concerning the parking, stopping or standing of motor vehicles. The prohibition herein shall not apply to driveways that have been rendered unusable due to the presence of a building or other fixed obstruction and, therefore, are not being used as defined in §4-01(b) of these rules.

(3) **Parks.** In any park between one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, except at places designated or maintained for the parking of vehicles.

(4) **Bus lane.** In any lane designated for the exclusive use of buses.

(5) **Railroad crossings.** Within fifty feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing.

(6) **Safety zones.** In a safety zone, between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within thirty feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone.

(7) **Pedestrian ramps.** Alongside or in a manner which obstructs a curb area which has been cut down, lowered or otherwise constructed or altered to provide access for persons with disabilities at a marked or unmarked crosswalk as defined in subdivision (b) of §4-01 of this chapter. A person may stop, stand or park a vehicle alongside or in a manner which obstructs a pedestrian ramp not located within such crosswalk, unless otherwise prohibited.

(g) **General no parking zones (parking prohibited in certain places).** No person shall park a vehicle in any of the following places, unless otherwise indicated by posted signs, markings or other traffic control devices:

(1) **Emergency sites.** Within a block where emergency work is in progress, except that the operator of any vehicle on official public business related to the emergency may park such vehicle at such sites.

(2) **Vacant lots.** In a vacant lot, unless the operator of the vehicle has the written permission of the lot’s owner so to park and has otherwise complied with §§10-112 and 10-113 of the Administrative Code.

(3) **Marginal street and waterfronts.** On a marginal street or waterfront, as defined in §4-01(b) of these rules.

(h) **On-street and off-street metered zones.**

(1) **Activation of meter or in-vehicle parking system.** No person shall park a vehicle, whether attended or not, in any parking space regulated by a parking meter that indicates by signal that the lawful parking time in such space has expired without (i) properly activating the meter by depositing the appropriate currency therein or otherwise making appropriate payment by an authorized method as described in this section and performing any other act necessary to activate the meter or (ii) properly activating an IVPS. The registration numbers of the electronic component, the electronic debit card, and all related windshield stickers comprising an IVPS must match in order for such system to be considered properly activated. This provision shall not apply to the act of parking or the time necessary to activate the meter or an IVPS immediately. A
person may park at a meter without depositing a coin, using another authorized method of payment, or activating an IVPS, if there is an unexpired interval of time shown on the meter but only if the vehicle is moved before the expiration of such interval. However, such person may reactivate the meter or activate an IVPS upon expiration of the time remaining on the meter but in no event may that person remain at the space in excess of the specified time limits applicable to the parking meter zone in which such meter is located.

(2) Expired meters or in-vehicle parking systems. No person shall allow a vehicle within his/her control to be parked in any such parking meter space during the restricted and regulated time applicable to the parking meter zone in which such meter is located while the parking meter for such space indicates by signal or a properly activated IVPS shows that the lawful parking time in such space has expired. This provision shall not apply to the act of parking or the time necessary to deposit immediately thereafter a coin or coins or to use another authorized method of payment, in such meter and to perform any other act prescribed on the meter which may be required to place the meter in operation or to activate an IVPS. If an IVPS is used, such system shall be the only valid indicator of whether lawful parking time in a space is available or has expired, because the meter in all such cases will indicate that the time has expired.

(3) Parking at broken or missing meters.
   (i) A person shall be allowed to park at a missing or broken meter up to the maximum amount of time otherwise lawfully permitted at such meter.
   (ii) Where parking spaces in a parking field or on a block are controlled by "Muni-Meters," and a "Muni-Meter" is broken or missing, the person seeking to purchase a parking receipt shall use a functional "Muni-Meter" in the same parking field or on the same block, to purchase a parking receipt and shall display it pursuant to paragraph 10 of this subdivision. If all muni-meters in a parking field or on a block are missing or broken, a person shall be allowed to park in such parking field or on such block up to the maximum amount of time otherwise lawfully permitted by such muni-meters in such controlled parking field or block. For purposes of this section, "muni-meter" shall mean an electronic parking meter that dispenses timed receipts that must be displayed in a conspicuous place on a vehicle's dashboard.

(4) Oversize vehicles. When a vehicle is too large to be parked within a single parking meter space, it shall be parked with the front section alongside the forward meter. If the operator of the vehicle is using coins or another authorized method of payment other than an IVPS, such forward meter shall be operated and shall determine when the lawful parking time has expired. If the operator of the vehicle is using an IVPS, it shall be activated and shall determine when the lawful parking time has expired.

(5) Time allowed at parking meters; feeding meters or reactivation of in-vehicle parking systems prohibited.
   (i) No person shall park a vehicle in a parking meter space for more than one time period lawfully permitted in that parking meter zone, nor shall any person deposit any additional coin or coins or use another authorized method of payment for the purpose of extending such time.
   (ii) No person shall activate an IVPS for a time period longer than one time period lawfully permitted in that parking meter zone, nor shall any person activate or reactivate an IVPS for the purpose of extending such time. Where a person uses less time than the time activated on an IVPS, the cost of the time not actually used shall be credited back to the electronic debit card when such card is next used to activate the electronic component of the IVPS.

(6) Restrictions and limitations. The provisions of this subdivision (h) shall not relieve any person of the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting, restricting, or limiting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.

(7) Authorized payment methods; counterfeits prohibited.
(i) Authorized payment methods. Parking meters shall be activated by the insertion of a coin or coins of United States currency, by the insertion of a token issued by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority New York City Transit ("MTA/NYCT") where authorized by sign or other official indicator, or by the insertion of an electronic debit card. Parking at an on-street or off-street meter also may be paid for by the activation of a valid IVPS or other authorized method of payment as provided for herein.  
(ii) No person shall deposit or attempt to deposit in any parking meter any slug, button, or any other unauthorized device or substance as a substitute for coins of United States currency or a token issued by MTA/NYCT, nor shall any person use an IVPS or electronic debit card not issued pursuant to this section.  

(8) Displaying, selling or offering merchandise for sale prohibited. No peddler, vendor, hawker or huckster shall park a vehicle at a metered parking space for purposes of displaying, selling, storing or offering merchandise for sale from the vehicle.  

(9) Parking by disabled persons permitted. Rules pertaining to the use of parking meter zones shall not apply to vehicles operated by disabled persons duly displaying New York City special parking identification permits issued by the Department of Transportation pursuant to §4-08(o) of these rules, other than at those periods of time when no standing and no stopping restrictions are in effect in the metered zones.  

(10) "Muni-Meters."  
(i) No person shall, in any parking space controlled by a "Muni-Meter," park a vehicle without first purchasing the amount of parking time desired from such machine.  
(ii) No person shall, in any parking space controlled by a "Muni-Meter," park a vehicle without displaying a payment receipt in the windshield, where such requirement is indicated by posted signs.  
(iii) No person shall, in any parking space controlled by a "Muni-Meter," which allows a person to purchase the amount of parking time desired from a machine that dispenses a receipt or tag to be displayed in the windshield, park a vehicle in excess of the amount of time indicated on such receipt or tag, or on posted signs.  

(11) "Electronic Communication Device Payments."  
(i) Notwithstanding any provision herein, any person may park at an on-street or off-street parking space controlled by a meter or muni-meter as defined herein by making payment via electronic communication device as approved by the Department.  
(ii) "Electronic communication device" shall mean any electronic equipment approved by the Department capable of transmitting information via telephone, cable, fiber, satellite or antenna to the Department for payment of parking at parking spaces where payment for such space is requested. This includes but is not limited to mobile or vehicle mounted computers with an on-line connection, mobile (cellular) phones, personal digital assistants, or any other electronic communication device approved by the Department.  
(iii) The Department may establish authorized payment by electronic communication device by designating on street or off street parking spaces controlled by a meter or muni-meter where payment by such electronic communication device shall be permitted.  
   (A) The Department shall designate each location by the posting of a sign.  
   (B) A motorist wishing to pay by electronic communication device at each designated location can call, text and/or e-mail the telephone number and/or email address posted on the sign in order to pay for parking at said designated location.  

(i) Municipal off-street parking facilities.  
(1) Parking fees. No person shall park a vehicle without paying the appropriate fee in accordance with authorized fee schedules posted on the facility.  
(2) Hours of operation. No person shall park a vehicle before the opening hour or after the closing hour, as specified on authorized signs.
(3) "Muni-Meters."
   (i) No person shall, in any parking space controlled by a "Muni-Meter," park a vehicle without first purchasing the amount of parking time desired from such machine.
   (ii) No person shall, in any parking space controlled by a "Muni-Meter," park a vehicle without displaying a payment receipt in the windshield, where such requirement is indicated by posted signs.
   (iii) No person shall, in any facility using the "Muni-Card" system, which allows a person to purchase the amount of parking time desired from a machine that dispenses a receipt or tag, park a vehicle in excess of the amount of time indicated on such receipt or tag, or on posted signs.

(4) Parking in a dangerous manner. No person shall park a vehicle in a manner that will endanger any person or property.

(5) Operator responsible for loss. The operator enters the facility at his/her own risk and the City of New York shall not be responsible for any injury or loss due to fire, theft, accident, or other causes.

(6) Angle parking. No vehicle that is too long and/or too wide to be parked within a single designated parking space shall be parked in such a space which is designated for angle parking.

(j) Standing or parking vehicles that violate registration and inspection rules are covered or have the VIN obscured.
   (1) Vehicles must be properly registered. No person shall stand or park a vehicle bearing a New York license plate or plates unless it is properly registered in accordance with the laws and rules of New York.
   (2) Valid plates must be properly displayed. No person shall stand or park a vehicle unless it properly displays the current plate or plates issued to it. For the purposes of this paragraph (j)(2), New York plates shall not be deemed properly displayed unless they are conspicuously displayed, one on the front and one on the rear of the vehicle, each securely fastened so as to prevent the same from swinging and placed, whenever reasonably possible, not higher than 48 inches and not lower than 12 inches from the ground, and they are kept clean and in a condition so as to be readable and shall not be covered by glass or any plastic material, and the view thereof shall not be obstructed by any part of the vehicle or by anything carried thereon. New York dealer or transporter plates issued pursuant to §415 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law shall be deemed properly displayed if the one plate issued is placed on the rear of the vehicle as described above. New York motorcycle plates and plates from other states shall be deemed properly displayed if at least one plate is fastened on the rear of the vehicle.
   (3) Vehicles must display valid registration sticker. No person shall stand or park a vehicle bearing a New York plate or plates unless it properly displays a current registration sticker.
   (4) Improper stickers prohibited. No person shall stand or park a vehicle bearing a New York plate or plates displaying an expired, mutilated, void, imitation, counterfeit or inappropriate New York registration sticker.
   (5) Registration plates, stickers, and tags must match. No person shall stand or park a vehicle bearing registration plates, stickers, and tags that do not match as to information contained thereon.
   (6) Vehicles must display valid inspection sticker. No person shall stand or park a vehicle bearing New York plates unless it is properly inspected and properly displays a current inspection sticker or certificate, in accordance with §306(b) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law unless it bears New York dealer or transporter plates pursuant to §415 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.
   (7) Improper inspection stickers prohibited. No person shall stand or park a vehicle bearing New York plates displaying any mutilated, imitation or counterfeit of an official certificate of inspection.
(8) **Vehicle covers prohibited.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle having a cover on it that obscures the make, color, vehicle identification number (VIN), license plates and/or registration and inspection stickers, and/or restricts entry to the vehicle, if such vehicle is standing or parked in violation of posted rules.

(9) **Obscuring VIN prohibited.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle that has the vehicle identification number obscured in any manner.

(k) **Special rules for commercial vehicles.**

1. **Parking of unaltered commercial vehicles prohibited.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle with commercial plates in any location unless it has been permanently altered with all seats and rear seat fittings, except the front seats, removed, except that for vehicles designed with a passenger cab and a cargo area separated by a partition, the seating capacity within the cab shall not be considered in determining whether the vehicle is properly altered, and has the name and address of the owner as shown on the registration certificate plainly marked on both sides of the vehicle in letters and numerals not less than three inches in height, in compliance with §10-127 of the Administrative Code and is also in compliance with paragraph (i) of the definition of commercial vehicle as set forth in §4-01 of these rules.

2. **No standing except trucks loading and unloading.** Where a posted sign reads "No Standing Except Trucks Loading and Unloading," no vehicle except a commercial vehicle or a service vehicle as defined in §4-01(b) of these rules, may stand or park in that area, for the purpose of expeditiously making pickups, deliveries or service calls, and except that in the area from 35th St. to 41st St., Avenue of the Americas to 8th Avenue, inclusive, in the Borough of Manhattan, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., no vehicle except a truck as defined in §4-13(a)(1) of these rules may stand or park for the purpose of expeditiously making pickups, deliveries, or service calls.

3. **Angle standing or parking of commercial vehicles.** Commercial vehicles standing or parking in authorized areas shall not be placed at an angle to the curb unless such positioning is essential for loading or unloading and then only for such period of time actually required for such purposes provided that a sufficient space shall be left clear for the passage of a vehicle between the angle-parked vehicle and the center of the street, the opposite curb or a vehicle parked or standing thereat, whichever is closest. In no event shall an angle-parked vehicle occupy more than a parking lane, plus one traffic lane.

4. **Parking of trailers.**
   (i) No person shall park any trailer or semi-trailer on any street or arterial highway, except while loading or unloading at off-street platforms, unless such trailer or semi-trailer is attached to a motor vehicle capable of towing it.
   (ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (i) above, where posted signs permit, a trailer or semi-trailer may park while unattached to a motor vehicle capable of towing it on streets in industrial zoned property as defined in the Zoning Resolution. Such trailers or semi-trailers may park for the length of time indicated on the posted signs. An owner of a trailer or semi-trailer parked pursuant to this provision shall protect the streets from damage that may be caused by parking the unattached trailer. All doors located on such trailers or semi-trailers must be locked while the trailers are parked.

5. **Street storage of commercial vehicles prohibited.** When parking is not otherwise restricted, no person shall park a commercial vehicle in any area, including a residential area, in excess of three hours.

6. **Nighttime parking of commercial vehicles prohibited.** No person shall park a commercial vehicle on a residential street, between the hours of 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Where a commercial vehicle is parked in violation of this paragraph, it shall be an affirmative defense to said violation, with the burden of proof on the person who received the summons, that he or she was actively engaged in business at the time the summons was issued at a premises located within three city
blocks of where the summons was issued. This paragraph shall not apply to vehicles owned or operated by gas or oil heat suppliers or gas or oil heat systems maintenance companies, the agents or employees thereof, or any public utility.

(7) Vehicles equipped with platform lifts. Commercial vehicles may not be parked on any city street with a platform lift set in a lowered position while the vehicle is unattended.

(l) Blue zone, midtown, and other special zones.

(1) Blue zone. No person shall park a vehicle upon any of the streets within the area designated as the "Blue Zone," Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., except as otherwise posted along the perimeter of and inside the designated area, or when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or upon the direction of any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce these rules. Said area is indicated by a blue line painted parallel to the curb and is bounded by the northern property line of Frankfort Street, the northern property line of Dover Street, the eastern property line of South Street, the western property line of State Street, the centerline of Broadway, and the centerline of Park Row.

(2) Special midtown rule: method of parking. Except where otherwise restricted, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. daily, except Sundays, from 14th to 60th Streets, 1st to 8th Avenues, all inclusive, in the Borough of Manhattan, no operator of a vehicle or combination of vehicles used for transportation of merchandise shall stop, stand, or park in any of the streets herein designated, other than parallel and close to the curb, and occupy no more than ten feet of roadway space from the nearest curb, and in no case shall any such vehicle be backed in at an angle to the curb.

(3) Special midtown rule: standing time limit.

(i) Between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., daily except Sundays, from 14th to 60th Streets, 1st to 8th Avenues, all inclusive, in the Borough of Manhattan no operator shall stand a vehicle or combination of vehicles for the purpose of making pickups, deliveries or service calls in any one block of streets herein designated for a period of more than three hours unless otherwise posted. A vehicle or combination of vehicles not being used for expeditious pickups, deliveries or service calls is deemed to constitute a parked vehicle subject to parking rules applicable to that particular location.

(ii) Commercial parking meter area. Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, where signs are posted regulating the use of the curb by commercial vehicles it shall be unlawful to stand a vehicle in any space on a block unless such vehicle is a "commercial vehicle" as defined in §4-01(b)(i) of this chapter or a vehicle with a valid "combination" registration from another state, and unless such space is controlled by a parking meter. The maximum time for such metered parking on a single block shall be a total of three hours, unless otherwise indicated by a posted sign. The provisions of subdivision (h) of this section shall apply to commercial vehicles parked at a parking meter, including a "Muni-Meter," pursuant to this paragraph.

(4) Parking in garment district restricted to trucks. Notwithstanding any provisions of these rules to the contrary, no vehicles except trucks and vans bearing commercial plates shall stand at the curb for the purpose of expeditiously loading and unloading between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. daily, including Sundays, from 35th Street to 41st Street, between Avenue of the Americas and 8th Avenue, all inclusive, in the Borough of Manhattan. For the purpose of this paragraph (4), passenger vehicles, or station wagons bearing commercial plates shall not be deemed trucks or vans.

(5) Parking restricted in limited truck zones. No operator of truck shall stop, stand or park his/her vehicle upon any streets designated as "Limited Truck Zones," except for the purpose of making a delivery, loading or servicing within said zone, and except as otherwise provided in §4-13(d)(3) of these rules.

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(6) Special Lower Manhattan Area Rule: standing time limit.
Between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., daily, on any street south of Houston Street, from the East River to the Hudson River, in the Borough of Manhattan:

(i) An operator must not stand or park a bus on any one block of streets, including where a space on that block is regulated by a meter, for more than three hours unless otherwise posted.

(ii) Where a space is regulated by a meter and signs are posted restricting the use of the curb to buses, it is unlawful to stand or park any vehicle at that regulated space unless the vehicle is a bus. The provisions of subdivision (h) of this section shall apply to buses parked at such a parking meter, including a “Muni-Meter.”

(iii) Where a parking sign designates a regulated space as “No Standing/Parking Except Authorized Buses”:

(A) It is unlawful to stand or park any vehicle at that regulated space unless the vehicle is a bus and the operator has first obtained a permit from the Department according to paragraph (4) of subdivision (o) of this section.

(B) Where that space is also regulated by a meter, the provisions of subdivision (h) of this section shall apply to permitted buses parked at such a parking meter, including a “Muni-Meter.”

(iv) A bus not being used for the expeditious pickup and drop off of passengers is deemed to constitute a parked vehicle subject to parking rules applicable to that particular location.

(m) Additional parking rules.

(1) Wrong way parking prohibited. Except where angle parking is authorized, every vehicle stopped, standing, or parked partly upon a roadway shall be so stopped, standing or parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway. On a one-way roadway such vehicle shall be facing in the direction of authorized traffic movement; on a two-way roadway such vehicle shall be facing in the direction of authorized traffic movement on that portion of the roadway on which the vehicle rests.

(2) Angle standing or parking. No person shall place a vehicle at an angle to the curb, except when such angle placement is authorized by these rules or by signs or markings. Notwithstanding the above, no vehicle that is too long and/or too wide to be parked within a single designated parking space shall be parked in such a space which is designated for angle parking.

(3) Angle parking of motorcycles, motor scooters and mopeds. A person shall be permitted to park a motorcycle, motor scooter or moped at an angle to the curb at times and at places when and where parking is permitted but only in such manner that at least one wheel shall touch the curb. In no event shall any portion of the motorcycle, motor scooter or moped be more than 6 feet from the curb.

(4) Parking of doctors' and dentists' vehicles. Where parking is prohibited by signs, but not where stopping or standing is prohibited, a duly licensed physician or dentist may park his/her motor vehicle, identified by "MD," "OP" or "DDS" New York registration plates, on a roadway adjacent to hospitals or clinics for a period not to exceed three hours. For the purposes of this paragraph, only those portions of a roadway corresponding to the shaded areas on the diagrams below shall be considered adjacent to a hospital or clinic. At other locations where parking is prohibited by signs, but not where stopping or standing is prohibited, a duly licensed physician may park his/her motor vehicle, identified by "MD" or "OP" New York registration plates, for a period not to exceed one hour while actually attending to a patient in the immediate vicinity.
Hospital occupies full square block.

Hospital in mid block.

Hospital occupies part of block.

Hospital in part of mid block

Shaded areas are considered adjacent.

Hospital in corner of block
(5) **Bus parking on streets prohibited.** No person shall park a bus at any time on any street within the City of New York, unless authorized by signs, except that a charter bus may park where parking is otherwise permitted at its point of origin or destination. No operator of a bus shall make a bus layover, except as otherwise provided in §4-10(c) of these rules. Notwithstanding any local law or rule to the contrary, but subject to the provisions of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, it shall be permissible for a school bus owned, used or hired by a public or nonpublic school to park at any time, including overnight, upon any street or roadway, provided said bus occupies a parking spot in front of and within the building lines of the premises of the public or nonpublic school.

(6) **Time limits.** Where signs are erected specifying time limits on standing or parking, no person shall stand or park any vehicle in excess of the time so prescribed.

(7) **Emergency ambulance service vehicles.** The operator of an ambulance, as defined in section 100-b of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, while awaiting an emergency call, may park at meters, truck loading and unloading zones, and “NO PARKING” areas not specifically designated for other vehicles. (i.e. authorized zones).

(8) **Street storage of boat trailers, mobile homes and mobile medical diagnostic vehicles prohibited.** No person shall park any boat trailer (with or without a boat attached), mobile home or mobile medical diagnostic vehicle in any area, on any street, in excess of 24 hours.

(9) **Street storage of vehicles prohibited.** When parking is not otherwise restricted, no person shall park any vehicle in any area, including a residential area, in excess of seven consecutive days.

(n) **Special restrictions on parking.**

(1) **Parking for sales purposes prohibited.** No person regularly engaged in the sale of vehicles shall park a vehicle upon any roadway or off-street parking facility for the principal purpose of displaying such vehicle for sale.

(2) **Parking for certain purposes prohibited.** No person regularly engaged in the repair of vehicles shall park a vehicle upon any roadway or off-street parking facility for the principal purpose of washing, greasing, or repairing such vehicle, except repairs necessitated by an emergency.

(3) **Parking for the purposes of commercial advertising prohibited.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle on any street or roadway for the purpose of commercial advertising, as defined in §4-12(j)(1) of these rules, except as otherwise provided in that section.

(4) **Peddlers, vendors and hawkers restricted.** No peddler, vendor, hawker, or huckster shall permit his car, wagon, or vehicle to stand on any street when stopping, standing, or parking is prohibited or on any street within 25 feet of any corner of the curb or to stand at any time on any sidewalk or within 500 feet of any public market or within 200 feet of any public or private school.

(5) **Unattended motor vehicles.** No person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle shall permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition, removing the key from the vehicle, and effectively setting the brake provided, however, the provision for removing the key from the vehicle shall not require the removal of keys hidden from sight about the vehicle for convenience or emergency.

(6) **Moving parked vehicle.** No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his/her control into any position where stopping, standing, or parking would be unlawful.

(7) **Unofficial reserving of parking space.** It shall be unlawful for any person to reserve or attempt to reserve a parking space, or prevent any vehicle from parking on a public street through his/her presence in the roadway, the use of hand-signals, or by placing any box, can, crate, handcart, dolly or any other device, including unauthorized pavement, curb or street markings or signs in the roadway.

(8) **Vehicles must have proper equipment.** No person shall stand or park a motor vehicle, motorcycle or limited use vehicle on any street at any time unless it is equipped with head lamps,
rear lamps, reflectors and any other equipment required by any provision of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

(o) **Permits.** For purposes of this section, a "permit" is the authorization granted by the Department to qualified individuals for special parking privileges as set forth in this subdivision. At the discretion of the Department, a permit may be represented by a permit card inscribed with information that describes the specific parking privileges it authorizes or by an IVPS programmed to contain the same information. Where this rule states that a permit must be displayed in the vehicle, a permittee using a permit card must place it in the appropriate place in a vehicle; a permittee using an IVPS must activate the system before so displaying it, in order to authorize parking pursuant to the permit. The registration numbers of the electronic component, the electronic debit card, and all related windshield stickers comprising an IVPS must match in order for such system to be considered properly activated.

(1) **Permits for people with disabilities.**

   (i) **Authorized parking areas.** An operator of a vehicle bearing a valid New York City Special Parking Identification permit may park:

   (A) in any "No Parking" zone, including those marked "except authorized vehicles,"

   (B) in any "No Standing Except Authorized Vehicles" zone,

   (C) at parking meters without using an authorized payment method, and

   (D) in "No Standing Except Trucks Loading and Unloading" zones.

   Such special parking permit shall be displayed so that it is visible through the windshield. An IVPS must be activated to authorize parking.

   (ii) **Prohibited parking areas.** Such special parking identification permits do not authorize parking:

   (A) in a bus stop,

   (B) in a taxi-stand,

   (C) within 15 feet of a fire hydrant,

   (D) in a fire zone,

   (E) in a driveway,

   (F) in a crosswalk,

   (G) in a no stopping zone,

   (H) in a no standing zone, or

   (I) double parking.

   (iii) **Issuance of permits.** The Special Parking Identification permit shall be issued by the Commissioner or his/her designee to a New York City resident certified by the Department of Health or a provider designated by the Department or the Department of Health, who shall make such certification in accordance with standards and guidelines prescribed by the Department of Health, as having a permanent disability seriously impairing mobility, who requires the use of a private automobile for transportation and to a non-resident similarly certified who requires the use of a private automobile for transportation to a school in which such applicant is enrolled or to a place of employment. A permit shall also be issued to such person upon application made on such person's behalf by a parent, spouse, domestic partner as defined in New York City Administrative Code §1-112(21), guardian, or other individual having legal responsibility for the administration of such person's day to day affairs. The permit may include no more than ten (10) license plate numbers for the vehicle(s) which will be used to transport the permittee. Upon application for a permit, applicant shall submit to the department a copy of the vehicle registration for each license plate which will be registered on the permit. Any vehicle displaying such a permit shall be used exclusively in connection with parking a vehicle in which the person to whom it has been issued is being transported or will be transported within a reasonable period of time.
(iv) Replacement permits. In case of a lost or stolen permit, the permittee must, upon request for a replacement, submit to the department a copy of a valid police report. In case of a stolen vehicle which is registered on the permit, permittee must submit to the department a copy of a valid police report. In the event a vehicle registered on the permit is unable to be used as a result of an accident or mechanical defect, a substitution of plates will be permitted only if the permittee has three or fewer plates registered on the permit. The permittee must provide proof to the department of the inability to use the vehicle. If the permittee has four or more plates registered on the permit, no temporary substitution will be allowed.

(v) Revocation. Any abuse by any person of any privilege, benefit or consideration granted by such permit, shall be sufficient cause for revocation of said permit.

(2) Municipal parking permit. A municipal parking permit licenses the permittee to park one automobile at the permittee's risk in the area designated by signs. Fees charged are for the use of a parking space in the designated facility only. Only a license to park is granted by this permit and no bailment is created. The Department of Transportation assumes no responsibility for loss due to fire, theft, collision or otherwise to the car or its contents.

(i) A municipal parking permit must be displayed when parked in authorized spaces, and in such a manner that the permit is visible through the left side of the windshield. An IVPS must be activated to authorize parking.

(ii) A municipal parking permit is to be displayed only on vehicles bearing license plate numbers on file at the Bureau of Parking. For license plate changes call the Permit Section of the Bureau of Parking, weekdays (10 AM to 4 PM).

(iii) A municipal parking permit is to be displayed only when a vehicle is parked in areas reserved for use of this permit.

(iv) Failure to comply with the above regulations will result in a summons.

(3) Yearly permits for parking in contradiction to rules on city streets. Yearly permits are issued on dates determined by the Department of Transportation or any other agency authorized by the Department to non-profit organizations needing to park in contradiction to parking rules when the vehicle is essential to the performance of their organizational functions. These organizations generally are medical, blood, government and human service programs. Such permits shall be displayed so that they are visible through the windshield. An IVPS must be activated to authorize parking.

(i) Parking permitted. Parking with yearly permits is permitted in areas specified on or programmed into the permit and may include some or all of the following:

(A) Meters.
(B) Truck loading and unloading zones.
(C) No Standing/Parking Except Authorized Vehicles, when the permit matches the signs, and
(D) "No Parking" areas.

(ii) Parking not permitted. Parking with yearly permits is not permitted at:

(A) "No Standing" areas.
(B) "No Stopping" areas.
(C) Fire hydrants.
(D) Bus stops.
(E) Double parking.
(F) Driveways.
(G) Bridges and highways, and
(H) Areas where a traffic hazard would be created.

(iii) Duration. Yearly permits are issued for the minimum hours and days essential for the activity. Such permits are issued on an annual basis on dates determined by the Department
of Transportation. The Commissioner or his/her designee may, at his/her discretion, issue, extend or revoke these permits.

(4) **Single issue permits for parking in contradiction to rules on city streets.** Single issue permits are issued by the Department of Transportation or any other agency authorized by the Department to for-profit and not-for-profit medical, blood and human service programs; press events; bus operators parking pursuant to paragraph (6) of subdivision (l) of this section; and concerts, film production companies, special events and emergencies. Such permits shall be displayed so that they are visible through the windshield. An IVPS must be activated to authorize parking.

(i) **Information required.** The request for such a single issue permit shall be made in writing to the Department of Transportation and must include:

(A) Date(s) of the event,
(B) Hours,
(C) Location,
(D) Number and size of vehicles, and
(E) License plates or identifying markings of the vehicles.

(ii) **Parking permitted.** Parking with single issue permits is permitted in areas specified on or programmed into the permit and may include some or all of the following:

(A) Meters,
(B) Truck loading and unloading zones,
(C) No Standing/Parking Except Authorized Vehicles,
(D) "No Parking" areas, and
(E) No Standing/Parking Except Authorized Buses.

(iii) **Parking not permitted.** Parking with single issue permits is not permitted at:

(A) "No Standing" areas.
(B) "No Stopping" areas.
(C) Fire hydrants.
(D) Bus stops.
(E) Double parking.
(F) Driveways.
(G) On bridges and highways, and
(H) Areas where a traffic hazard would be created.

(iv) **Duration.** Single issue permits are issued for the minimum hours and days essential for the event. The Commissioner or his/her designee may, at his/her discretion, issue, extend or revoke these permits.

(5) **Clergy parking permits.**

(i) **Definitions.**

**Funeral establishment.** A place devoted to or used for the care and preparation of a body of a deceased person for disposition and for mourning or funeral ceremonial purposes.

**Hospital.** A general hospital, nursing home or hospice in-patient facility certified pursuant to the public health law or a psychiatric center established pursuant to §7.17 of the mental hygiene law.

**House of worship.** A building or space owned or leased by a religious corporation or association of any denomination or used by a religious corporation or association of any denomination pursuant to the written permission of the owner thereof, which is used by members principally as a meeting place for divine worship or other religious observances presided over by a member of the clergy and which is classified in occupancy group F-1(b) pursuant to article eight of subchapter three of chapter one of title twenty-seven of the New York City Administrative Code. Such term shall not include a dwelling unit as defined in the housing maintenance code.
Member of the clergy. A clergyperson or minister as defined in the religious corporations law including, but not limited to, a pastor, rector, priest, rabbi or imam who officiates at or presides over services on behalf of a religious corporation or association of any denomination and works an average of at least twenty hours per week on behalf of such religious corporation or association.

Passenger car. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, for the purposes of this paragraph (5), a passenger car shall mean a motor vehicle, lawfully registered in any state, designed and used for carrying not more than fifteen people, including the driver. Such term shall not include a vehicle licensed to operate pursuant to chapter five of title 19 of the New York City Administrative Code or a commercial vehicle as defined in §19-170 of the Code.

(ii) Application requirements.

(A) The religious corporation or association applying for a permit on behalf of a member of the clergy shall submit an application on a form to be provided by the department and signed by an officer of the corporation or association or by a person otherwise authorized to act on behalf of the corporation or association. Such application shall be accompanied by a copy of a deed or lease and a certificate of occupancy indicating classification in occupancy group F-1(b) (plus the type of house of worship) for the New York City house of worship used by the religious corporation or association. In the absence of a deed or lease, the religious corporation or association shall submit a sworn written statement of the owner of the house of worship attesting to the fact that said religious corporation or association has the permission of said owner to use the premises as a house of worship. In the event a house of worship was constructed prior to the existence of a certificate of occupancy or occupancy group F-1(b) so that a certificate of occupancy is not available, the religious corporation or association shall submit such other documentation as the department may require.

(B) The religious corporation or association shall, on behalf of a member of the clergy, submit a copy of title, registration or lease in the member of the clergy's name or in the name of a religious corporation or association employing such member of the clergy for a vehicle lawfully registered in any state to be covered by a permit. Such religious association or corporation shall, on behalf of a member of the clergy, also submit a copy of a current automobile insurance identification card for such vehicle.

(C) The religious corporation or association shall certify on a form provided by the Department that only the member of the clergy on whose behalf the application is made will use such permit, that such use will occur only while the member of the clergy is performing official duties at a funeral establishment or the house of worship at whose services such member of the clergy officiates or presides or while performing such official duties at a hospital, that such member of the clergy possesses a valid driver's license from any state and that such member of the clergy otherwise qualifies for the benefits of this permit.

(D) In addition, the religious corporation or association shall submit any other documents deemed necessary by the Department.

(iii) Parking permitted. Parking is permitted only in "No Parking" areas designated by posted sign for up to five hours on a roadway adjacent to the house of worship's address as it appears on the permit, for up to three hours on a roadway adjacent to a hospital when the member of the clergy is performing official duties at such hospital, or for a period of up to four hours on the roadway adjacent to a funeral establishment when such member of the clergy is performing official duties at such funeral establishment. For the purposes of this paragraph, only those portions of a roadway corresponding to the shaded areas on the diagrams below shall be considered adjacent to a house of worship or hospital or funeral establishment.
(iv) Issuance of permit. Only one permit shall be issued to any religious corporation or association. The front of such permit shall include the license plate numbers of up to three passenger cars, as defined in subparagraph (i), above, that are owned, registered or leased by the members of the clergy for whose benefit the religious corporation or association has applied for such permit or by the religious corporation or association employing such member of the clergy. No permit shall be issued with the license plate number of any vehicle that has one or more summonses in judgment according to the records of the New York City Parking Violations Bureau.

(v) Duration. Permits issued in accordance with this paragraph (5) shall be valid for one year, unless revoked pursuant to subparagraph (viii).

(vi) Renewal. Sixty days prior to the expiration of the permit, the religious corporation or association may apply for a renewal by completing a form provided by the Department.

(vii) Replacement permits.

(A) In case of a lost or stolen permit, the religious corporation or association shall, upon request for a replacement, submit to the Department a copy of a valid police report. In the case of a stolen vehicle containing a permit that was also stolen, the religious corporation or association shall submit a copy of a valid police report for the stolen vehicle, which report also lists the permit as stolen.

(B) To receive a replacement permit with a changed license plate number or an additional plate number up to a total of three, the religious corporation or association shall supply the documentation required by subparagraphs (B), (C) and (D) of paragraph (ii), above, in addition to the police report, if applicable. Changes to the permit may only be made by the Department.

(viii) Revocation. A member of the clergy who engages in or allows the improper use or alteration of a permit issued pursuant to this paragraph may be excluded from the benefits of this paragraph. The department shall mail written notice to the religious corporation or association with which such clergy member is associated of the improper use of a permit issued to such corporation or association. The religious corporation or association may submit a response within ten days of the date of mailing of such notice. After ten days from the date of mailing of such notice, the department may send notice to the religious corporation or association of the exclusion of a member from the permit and the corporation or association shall forthwith return the permit to the department. If the permit contains more than one license plate number, the license plate number of the vehicle of the excluded member shall be deleted and the department shall promptly reissue the permit with the remaining license plate numbers. If the permit contains only the license plate number of the excluded member, the religious corporation or association may submit an application for a new permit pursuant to this paragraph. The member of the clergy who engaged in or allowed such improper use shall not be eligible for inclusion in any future application submitted pursuant to this paragraph.
Shaded areas are considered adjacent.
(p) Engine idling.

(1) Idling of vehicle engines prohibited. Except as provided for buses in paragraph (p)(2) hereof, no person shall cause or permit the engine of any vehicle, other than a legally authorized emergency motor vehicle, to idle for longer than three minutes while parking, standing or stopping unless the engine is being used to operate a loading, unloading or processing device.

(2) Idling of bus engines prohibited. No person shall cause or permit the engine of any bus to idle at a layover or terminal location, whether or not enclosed, when the ambient temperature is in excess of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit. When the ambient temperature is forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less, no person shall cause or permit any bus to idle for longer than three minutes at any layover or terminal location. For the purpose of this rule, at a layover or terminal location a bus engine shall not be deemed to be idling if the operator is running the engine in order to raise the air pressure so as to release the air brakes, provided however, that this shall not exceed a period of three minutes.
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EQUIPMENT

(a) Brakes. No person shall operate or park a motor vehicle unless such vehicle is in compliance with §375(1) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

(b) Lights while driving.
(1) When the display of head lamps is required, no operator shall operate the vehicle with parking lights only. The operator shall use the lower beam of multiple beam head lamps, except that the upper beam may be used where the street is not lighted sufficiently to reveal any person, vehicle or substantial object straight ahead of such vehicle for a distance of at least 350 feet, and provided that there is no vehicle within 500 feet approaching from the direction ahead.
(2) No person shall operate a motor vehicle or motorcycle on any street at any time unless it is equipped with head lamps, rear lamps and reflectors complying with the provisions of §§375(2) and 376 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

(c) Colored lights prohibited. No operator of a motorcycle or motor vehicle, other than authorized emergency vehicles, shall operate said vehicle when displaying other than white or yellow lights visible from in front of the vehicle. No operator of an authorized emergency vehicle shall operate said vehicle when displaying other than white or yellow lights visible from in front of the vehicle except when actually engaged in emergency service.

(d) Lights on horse-drawn vehicles and pushcarts. No person shall drive a horse-drawn vehicle or propel a pushcart in the roadway between sunset and sunrise unless such vehicle or cart displays a white or yellow light visible from 200 feet directly in front and a red light visible from 200 feet directly to the rear.
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BUSES

(a) Franchise regulations.

(1) Franchise required. No person shall operate or cause to be operated on any street a bus for the operation of which a franchise, consent, or certificate of convenience and necessity, order, or other authorization of any municipal, state, or federal authority is required, unless such franchise, consent, certificate of convenience and necessity, order or other authorization shall have been obtained. No person shall operate or move or cause to be operated or moved on any street a bus operating pursuant to a certificate of convenience and necessity, order or other written authorization of any state or federal authority for which operation of a franchise or consent of the Department of Transportation of the City of New York is not required, unless there shall be filed with the Commissioner, not later than two weeks after issuance, duly authenticated copies of such certificates, orders, authorizations and amendments thereto.

(2) Franchise not required. Every person applying to any governmental authority other than the City of New York for authorization to operate a bus into or through the City of New York, for which operation of a franchise or consent of the Department of Transportation of the City of New York is not required, shall, within ten days after the date of submitting such application to such governmental authority, file a duly authenticated copy thereof with the Commissioner, and attach thereto a statement setting forth the address, by street and number, of any proposed off-street terminal or terminals to be used within the City of New York.

(b) Designated routes. No person shall operate or cause to be operated on any street a bus operating pursuant to a franchise or consent of the Department of Transportation of the City of New York which designates the route to be followed, except on the route so designated. No person shall operate or cause to be operated on any street any other bus, other than a charter bus, except over a route designated by the Commissioner in writing.

(c) Pickup and discharge of passengers and layovers.

(1) Pickup and discharge of passengers at designated bus stops. Except as provided in paragraph (2) below, no operator of a bus shall pick up or discharge passengers on a street except at a bus stop designated by the Commissioner in writing. Only buses designated by the Commissioner in writing may stop at such locations. A charter bus may stop on the highway at points of origin and destination for the purpose of expeditiously receiving or discharging passengers, except where prohibited by sign or by the Commissioner. While engaging in the picking up or discharging of passengers, buses must be within twelve inches of the curb and parallel thereto, except where a bus stop is physically obstructed.

(2) Pickup and discharge of passengers at locations other than designated bus stops.

(i)(A) At times and along those portions of bus routes designated by the Commissioner, the operator of a bus authorized to operate in the City of New York that provides local or express service along a bus route may discharge a passenger, on such passenger's request, at a curbside location other than a bus stop as described in paragraph (1) above, provided that such location affords the alighting passenger a safe point of departure from the bus and provided that complying with such request will not interfere with the flow of traffic.

(B) Prospective passengers shall be picked up only at a bus stop as provided in paragraph (1) above.

(C) The provisions of this subparagraph (i) shall be clearly posted, in a format approved by the Commissioner, in all buses authorized to discharge passengers between designated stops.
(ii) A charter bus may stop on the highway at points of origin and destination for the purpose of expeditiously receiving or discharging passengers, except where prohibited by sign or by the Commissioner.

(3) Layovers. No operator of a bus shall make a bus layover, except in locations designated by sign or by the Commissioner in writing. For the purposes of this rule, layover is defined as follows: for a bus without passengers a layover consists of waiting at a curb or other street location; for a bus with passengers a layover consists of waiting at a curb or other street location for more than five minutes. The Commissioner may define the terms, including duration and authorized companies, for use of layover areas.

(d) Approved bus terminals. No person shall operate or cause to be operated on any street any intrastate or interstate bus unless such intrastate or interstate bus operates from an off-street terminal or terminals duly approved by the proper authorities of the City of New York.

(e) Routes.

(1) Operators of empty buses and buses with "charter," "special," "contract carriage" or similar non-route specific authority given by the City of New York, the Department of Transportation, the Interstate Commerce Commission, or other legally authorized body, must adhere to the truck routes as described in §4-13 of these rules, or other additional bus routes, except that an operator may operate on a street not designated as a truck route or bus route for the purpose of arriving at his/her destination. This shall be accomplished by leaving a designated truck route or bus route at the intersection that is nearest to his/her destination, proceeding by the most direct route, and then returning to the nearest designated truck route or bus route by the most direct route. If the operator has additional destinations in the same general area and there is no designated truck route or bus route that can be taken to the next destination, the operator may proceed to his/her next destination without returning to a designated truck route or bus route. The operator shall have in his/her possession throughout each trip a route slip, or similar document, showing the points of origin and destination of the trip. Upon the request of a law enforcement officer, or other authorized person, the bus operator shall present for inspection the above stated document or documents.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of §4-10 paragraph (e)(1) above, no operator of a bus as described in paragraph (1) shall operate his/her vehicle upon any of the streets within the area served by the limited local truck route network in Staten Island as described in §4-13(c) of these rules, except for the purpose of arriving at a destination within the area served by the network. This shall be accomplished by using a designated truck route or bus route to the closest limited local truck route to the destination, using this limited local truck route to the intersection that is nearest to the destination. The operator shall then continue via the most direct route to the closest designated limited local truck route and then to the closest designated truck route or bus route. If the operator has additional destinations in the same general area, and there is no designated truck route, limited local truck route, or bus route that can be taken to the next destination, he/she may proceed to his/her next destination without returning to a designated limited local truck route.

(f) Required inspection of buses. No person shall operate or cause to be operated on any street any bus required by law, ordinance, resolution, or rule of any municipal, state, or federal authority to display a certificate, disc, sticker, poster, or other insignia evidencing that such bus has been inspected and is mechanically fit, or has been bonded or insured, or that prescribed fees have been paid, unless such a certificate, disc, sticker, poster or other insignia, currently valid, shall be displayed in the lower right hand corner of the interior surface of the windshield of such bus. In the event it is required that any writing be placed on any such certificate, disc, sticker, poster, or other insignia by someone other than a public official, no person shall operate or move or cause to be operated or moved on any street any such bus unless such writing shall have been placed on such
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certificate, disc, sticker, poster, or other insignia in black ink and in letters or numbers no less than one inch in height and three-fourths of an inch in width.

(g) Leased and rented buses. No person shall operate or cause to be operated a bus leased, rented, or borrowed from another person unless there is marked on the side of the bus in letters at least three inches in height the words "chartered by" followed by the name of the person operating such leased, rented, or borrowed bus. Notwithstanding the foregoing, buses leased, rented or borrowed from the City of New York shall not be required to have such markings.

(h) Limitation on backing buses. No person shall back any bus from or into any street or across or along any sidewalk.

(i) Bus parking on streets prohibited. No person shall park a bus at any time on any street within the City, unless authorized by signs, except that a charter bus may park where parking is otherwise permitted at point of destination.
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TAXIS, COMMUTER VANS, FOR-HIRE AND CERTAIN DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR VEHICLES

(a) Standing. No operator of a taxi, while awaiting employment shall stand his/her vehicle in any street except:

(1) At an authorized taxi stand.
(2) In front of fire hydrants where standing or stopping is not prohibited by signs or rules, provided that the operator remains in the operator's seat ready for immediate operation of the taxi at all times and starts the motor on hearing the approach of fire apparatus, and provided further, that the operator shall immediately remove the taxi from in front of the fire hydrant when instructed to do so by any member of the police, fire, or other municipal department acting in his/her official capacity.
(3) In the area of the Borough of Manhattan, bounded by the north side of 60th Street, the east side of First Avenue, the south side of 14th Street and the west side of Eighth Avenue, on those streets where "No Standing Except Trucks Loading or Unloading" is posted and in effect, the operator of a taxi, while waiting for a passenger, may stand for the period of one traffic signal cycle, provided that no taxi shall stand in any area where parking is restricted to diplomatic or other classes of vehicles and provided further that the operator remains in attendance at the vehicle and shall immediately remove it when instructed to do so by any law enforcement officer.

(b) Cruising prohibited. An operator of a vehicle other than a taxi shall not operate his/her vehicle along a street for the purpose of soliciting passengers or searching for passengers.

(c) Pickup and discharge of passengers by taxis, commuter vans and for-hire vehicles. Operators of taxis, commuter vans and for-hire vehicles may, in the course of the lawful operation of such vehicles, temporarily stop their vehicles to expeditiously pick up or discharge passengers at the curb in areas where standing or parking is prohibited. Taxis, commuter vans and for-hire vehicles, while engaged in picking up or discharging passengers must be within 12 inches of the curb and parallel thereto, but may stop or stand to pick up or discharge passengers alongside a vehicle parked at the curb only if there is no unoccupied curb space available within 100 feet of the pickup or discharge location; however, picking up or discharging passengers shall not be made:

(1) Within a pedestrian crosswalk.
(2) Within an intersection, except on the side of a roadway opposite a street which intersects but does not cross such roadway.
(3) Alongside or opposite any street excavation when stopping to pick up or discharge passengers obstructs traffic.
(4) Under such conditions as to obstruct the movement of traffic and in no instance so as to leave fewer than 10 feet available for the free movement of vehicular traffic.
(5) Where stopping is prohibited.
(6) Within a bicycle lane.
(7) Within horse-drawn carriage boarding areas.

(d) Pickup and discharge of passengers by certain diplomatic and consular vehicles. A vehicle bearing "A", "C" or "D" series license plates issued by the U.S. Department of State and displaying a valid non-transferable service vehicle decal issued by the City of New York that is affixed to the inside of the operator's side of the windshield shall be treated like a for-hire vehicle while actively engaged in and for the purpose of expeditiously picking up or discharging passengers, in a manner that does not obstruct traffic, provided that the operator of such vehicle bearing such "A" "C" or "D" series license plates and displaying such non-transferable service vehicle decal:

(1) may not pick up or discharge passengers in a for-hire vehicle stop;
(2) remains in attendance at the vehicle; and
(3) shall immediately remove such vehicle when instructed to do so by any law enforcement officer.
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MISCELLANEOUS

(a) Compliance with directions of law enforcement officers.
   (1) An operator must at all times comply with any direction given by a law enforcement officer, a bridge and tunnel officer of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, or an officer of the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority authorized to enforce these rules, or a school crossing guard by hand, voice, whistle or mechanical device.
   (2) A law enforcement officer, school crossing guard or a bridge and tunnel officer may disregard any traffic light signal or rule in order to expedite the movement of traffic or to safeguard pedestrians or property.
   (3) Vehicle operators must present and/or surrender their operator's license, vehicle registration and insurance documents upon request of a law enforcement officer.

(b) Passengers in vehicle. No person shall ride in any place or in any part of a vehicle except that provided for passenger carrying purposes, nor shall he/she permit any part of his/her body to extend outside of any part of a vehicle, except when required to extend the hand to indicate an intention to turn, slow down, stop, or start from the curb.

(c) Getting out of vehicle. No person shall get out of any vehicle from the side facing on the traveled part of the street in such manner as to interfere with the right of the operator of an approaching vehicle or a bicycle.

(d) Fire drill line. The operator of any vehicle, except authorized emergency vehicles, shall not drive through or approach within one hundred feet of a line of children during a fire drill, nor interfere with, hinder, obstruct, or impede in any way whatsoever any such fire drill.

(e) Operator's hand on steering device. No person shall operate or ride a motor vehicle or bicycle without having his/her hand on the steering device or handle bars. A person riding or leading a horse or driving a horse-drawn carriage shall have the reins in his/her hand continuously.

(f) Unbridled horse. No person shall leave a horse unbridled or unattended in a street or unenclosed place unless the horse is securely fastened, or harnessed to a vehicle with wheels so secured as to prevent it from being dragged faster than a walk.

(g) Peddlers. No peddler, vendor, hawker, or huckster shall stop or remain or permit any cart, wagon, or vehicle owned or controlled by him/her, to stop, remain upon or otherwise encumber any street in front of any premises if the owner or lessee of the ground floor thereof objects. No peddler, vendor, hawker, or huckster shall permit his cart, wagon, or vehicle to stand on any street when stopping, standing, or parking is prohibited or on any street within 25 feet of any corner of the curb or to stand at any time on any sidewalk or within 500 feet of any public market or within 200 feet of any public or private school.

(h) Reporting accidents by operators of other than motor vehicles. The operators of any bicycle or vehicle other than a motor vehicle involved in an accident resulting in death or injury to a person or damage to property must stop and give their names and addresses and information concerning liability insurance coverage to the party sustaining injuries or damage, and in the case of death or injury, he/she must, in addition to the above, without delay report the accident to the nearest police station, unless he/she has supplied the information to a police officer on the scene. Accidents involving motor vehicles must be reported as required by the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

(i) Horn for danger only. No person shall sound the horn of a vehicle except when necessary to warn a person or animal of danger.

(j) Commercial advertising vehicles.
   (1) Restrictions. No person shall operate, stand, or park a vehicle on any street or roadway for the purpose of commercial advertising. Advertising notices relating to the business for which a vehicle is used may be put upon a motor vehicle when such vehicle is in use for normal delivery.
or business purposes, and not merely or mainly for the purpose of commercial advertising, provided that no portion of any such notice shall be reflectorized, illuminated, or animated, and provided that no such notice shall be put upon the top of the vehicle and that no special body or other object shall be put upon vehicles for commercial advertising purposes. Advertisements may be put upon vehicles licensed by the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission in accordance with the Commission's rules.

(2) Buses and Sanitation Vehicles. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subdivision (i), buses operated pursuant to a franchise or consent from the Department of Transportation of the City of New York, and cleaning and collection vehicles owned or operated by the New York City Department of Sanitation may display commercial advertisements, including reflectorized and illuminated advertisements, on the exterior surface areas of such vehicles and may have installed on such vehicles the necessary frames, supports and related appurtenances in order to display such advertisements.

(k) Snow Emergency.

(1) Standing and Parking Prohibited. When the Commissioner declares a state of snow emergency, no person shall stand or park a vehicle upon a street designated by signs as a snow street, or upon any part of the right of way, including the berm or shoulder adjacent to the roadways, entrances and exits of the expressways, parkways, bridges and tunnels set forth in §4-07 subdivision (i) of these rules, except in such areas and for such purposes as shall be designated by the Commissioner, until the Commissioner declares the prohibition of such standing or parking terminated. On certain designated snow streets, posted signs may prohibit parking on only one side of the street.

(2) Operating vehicles prohibited. When the Commissioner declares a state of snow emergency, no person shall operate a vehicle upon a street designated by signs as a snow street or upon any part of the right of way, including the berm or shoulder adjacent to the roadways, entrances, and exits of the expressways, parkways, bridges and tunnels set forth in §4-07 subdivision (i) of these rules unless the drive, traction or powered wheels of said vehicle are equipped with skid chains or snow tires, until the Commissioner declares the state of snow emergency terminated.

(3) Snow tires defined. For the purposes of this rule, snow tires are defined as:

(i) Any radial tire (a radial tire is a tire in which the ply cords, extending to the beads, are nearly at right angles to the center line of the tread).

(ii) Any tire with tread which has ribs, lugs, blocks or buttons arranged in a generally discontinuous pattern; when inflated, a substantial number of the lug, block or rib edges in the tread design are at an angle greater than 30 degrees to the tire circumferential center line; and, on at least one side of the tread design, have shoulder lugs that protrude at least one-half inch in a direction generally perpendicular to the direction of travel.

(iii) Any tire labeled on the sidewall with the words "MUD AND SNOW" or any contraction using the letters "M" and "S" (e.g. MS, M/S, M-S or M&S).

(4) Worn or damaged tires. Worn or damaged tires which no longer provide effective traction shall not constitute snow tires within the meaning of this section regardless of their original classification or designation.

(5) Use of parkways by certain vehicles. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, during snow emergencies declared by the Commissioner, commercial vehicles owned or operated by oil heating companies that are no more than 7 feet in height, no more than 8,500 pounds in maximum gross weight, and have no more than two axles and four tires may travel on parkways and other roadways where commercial vehicles are normally prohibited when such vehicles are responding to heat emergencies which require the repair of heating and hot water equipment. Such vehicles must abide by all posted weight limits and clearances on such roadways.
(l) Emergency repairs. No person shall solicit or render repair service or push or tow any vehicle on any part of the right of way, including the berm or shoulder adjacent to the roadways, entrances and exits of the expressways and parkways, and bridges enumerated in §4-07 subdivision (i) of these rules, except persons and vehicles operating pursuant to a permit issued by the Commissioner. This subdivision (l) shall not be deemed to prohibit emergency repairs by the occupants of a disabled vehicle.

(m) Bus lane restrictions on city streets. When signs are erected giving notice of bus lane restrictions, no person shall drive a vehicle other than a bus within a designated bus lane during the hours specified, except that a person may use such bus lane in order to make the first available right hand turn where permitted into a street, private road, private drive, or an entrance to private property in a safe manner or when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or at the direction of a law enforcement officer. Notwithstanding any provision of this subdivision, no person shall drive a vehicle other than a bus in the bus lane on Madison Avenue for the purpose of making a right hand turn during the restricted hours specified by sign between 42nd street and 59th street. During such restricted hours, the first permissible right hand turn for vehicles other than buses is at 60th street, except that a taxicab carrying a passenger may use the bus lane to make a right hand turn at 46th street.

(n) Work affecting traffic. The rules contained in the New York State Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices shall be complied with by public and private organizations when temporary disruption of street traffic is required for street repaving or repairs, subsurface utility line installations or other repairs and similar projects.

(o) Use of roadways.

(1) Pedestrians, horses, bicycles and limited use vehicles prohibited. In order to provide for the maximum safe use of the expressways, drives, highways, interstate routes, bridges and thruways set forth in §4-07 subdivision (i) of these rules and to preserve life and limb thereon, the use of such highways by pedestrians, riders of horses and operators of limited use vehicles and bicycles is prohibited, unless signs permit such use.

(2) Flat tires. No operator shall stop on the improved or paved roadway of any of the arteries set forth in §4-07 subdivision (i) of these rules, for the purpose of removing or replacing a flat tire. No person shall remove or replace a flat tire unless the vehicle is completely off the improved or paved roadway so that no part of the vehicle or person is exposed to passing vehicles.

(p) Bicycles.

(1) Bicycle riders to use bicycle lanes. Whenever a usable path or lane for bicycles has been provided, bicycle riders shall use such path or lane only except under any of the following situations:

(i) When preparing for a turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway.

(ii) When reasonably necessary to avoid conditions (including but not limited to, fixed or moving objects, motor vehicles, bicycles, pedestrians, pushcarts, animals, surface hazards) that make it unsafe to continue within such bicycle path or lane.

(2) Driving on or across bicycle lanes prohibited. No person shall drive a vehicle on or across a designated bicycle lane, except when it is reasonable and necessary:

(i) to enter or leave a driveway; or

(ii) to enter or leave a legal curbside parking space; or

(iii) to cross an intersection; or

(iv) to make a turn within an intersection; or

(v) to comply with the direction of any law enforcement officer or other person authorized to enforce this rule; or

(vi) to avoid an obstacle which leaves fewer than ten feet available for the free movement of vehicular traffic.
Notwithstanding any other rule, no person shall drive a vehicle on or across a designated bicycle lane in such manner as to interfere with the safety and passage of persons operating bicycles thereon.

(3) Bicycles permitted on both sides of 40-foot wide one-way roadways. Any person operating a bicycle upon a roadway that carries traffic in one direction only and is at least 40 feet wide may ride as near as is practicable to either the left or the right hand curb or edge of such roadway, provided that bicycles are not prohibited from using said roadway.

(4) Bicycle safety poster.

(i) Every person, firm, partnership, joint venture, association or corporation which engages in the course of its business, either on behalf of itself or others, in delivering packages, parcels, papers or articles of any type by bicycle shall post one or more bicycle safety posters at each employment site.

(ii) The bicycle safety poster shall be in English, Spanish and any other language spoken predominately by any bicycle operator utilized by the business. It shall be clear, conspicuous, and large enough to be visible to the bicycle operators and patrons of the business.

(iii) The poster shall be printed in a manner to be legible even to the colorblind.

(iv) A model of the poster shall be made available on the Department's website.

(v) The poster shall include the following:

(A) Commercial Bicyclists Must:

Obey Traffic Signs and Signals

- Bicyclists are subject to all applicable New York state and local laws, rules and regulations, including NYC Traffic Rules.

Wear a Helmet

- While working, commercial bicyclists must wear a properly fitted bicycle helmet.

Never Ride Against Traffic

- Bicyclists cannot ride against the flow of traffic. Ride with traffic to avoid accidents.
- If available, bicyclists must use bicycle lanes.

Stay Off Sidewalks and Limited Access Roadways

Be Safe

- Yield to pedestrians.
- Keep at least one hand on the steering device or handlebars at all times.
- Do not wear more than one earphone attached to a radio, tape player or other audio device while riding.
- Do not attach bicycle to another vehicle being operated on the roadway.
- Any bicyclist involved in an accident resulting in property damage, injury or death must stop and give their name, address, insurance information, etc., and report the accident to the police department.

Be Visible

- Stay visible at night with light-colored clothing and reflective materials.
- From dusk to dawn, bicyclist must use a white headlight and red taillight.

Be Prepared

- Bicycle operators must wear upper body apparel with the business’ name and the operator’s identification number.
- Bicycle operators must also carry and produce, on demand, a numbered business ID card with the operator’s photo, name, home address and business’ name, address and phone number. It is recommended that the operator also carry a second form of photo identification.
(B) Business Owners Who Employ Commercial Bicyclists Must:

Provide their bicycle operators with the following:

- A bicycle helmet in good condition, which fits properly;
- Upper body apparel with the business' name and operator's identification number;
- Numbered business ID card with the operator's photo, name, home address and the business' name, address and phone number;
- A white headlight and red taillight;
- A bell or other audible signal (not whistle);
- Working brakes;
- Reflective tires and/or other reflective devices on new bicycles.

Businesses must maintain a log book, which must be available for inspection during regular and usual business hours.

Some of the responsibilities listed above are imposed by law and failure to comply with them may subject violators to legal sanctions.

(q) Transportation of radioactive materials. Shipments of radioactive materials meeting or exceeding the specifications of "large quantities" and/or "fissile Class III" as specified by the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, shall follow the same truck routes designated for vehicles having an overall length of 33 feet or more, in §4-13 of these rules. All such shipments are required to be so classified under the NRC license or contract before being shipped and the carrier shall obtain the proper classification. All vehicles carrying such shipments shall adhere to the rules of the fire department, the Department of Environmental Protection and §175.111 of the New York City Health Code.

(r) Restricted use and limited use streets.

(1) Restrictions. No operator of a vehicle or combination of vehicles shall operate, enter, stop, stand or park any such vehicle on any street designated as a restricted use street or a limited use street by the Department of Transportation, unless such vehicle or combination of vehicles

(i) is being used for the purpose of loading or unloading at premises legally utilizing an entrance, loading bay or elevator that fronts upon said street during authorized hours or,
(ii) is a bus traversing a route, franchised by the Department of Transportation, which includes said street, and the vehicle stands only at a designated bus stop or,
(iii) is a maintenance or utility vehicle operated or engaged by proper authority for the purpose of construction or maintenance of said street or any utility located on, above or below the street surface or for the construction or maintenance of any structure located on said street.

(2) Driving across permitted. Notwithstanding any other provision stated herein, the operator of any vehicle may drive across any restricted use or limited use street that intersects the street along which he is travelling.

(3) Commissioner may suspend. The commissioner, upon 24 hours' notice to the public, may suspend the application of this subdivision (r) for a specified period or indefinitely. If suspended for a specific period, the provisions of this subdivision (r) shall become effective at the termination of such period. If suspended indefinitely, the provisions of this subdivision (r) shall become effective upon order of the Commissioner and 48 hours notice to the public.

(4) Definitions. For the purpose of this subdivision (r), a restricted use street is a legally mapped street to be permanently closed to motor vehicles by the Department of Transportation, except as provided herein, and open to use by pedestrians. A limited use street is a legally mapped street to be temporarily closed to motor vehicles by the Department of Transportation,
except as provided herein, and in accordance with lawfully authorized signs or other traffic control devices.

(s) Crossing buffer zones.
(1) For the purposes of this subdivision, a buffer zone is defined as an area in the roadway, created by white lines, that is used to separate a parking lane from a travel lane or a bicycle lane from a travel lane, as indicated on the diagram below.
(2) No person shall drive a motor vehicle on or across a designated buffer zone, except when it is reasonable and necessary to enter or leave a legal curbside parking space or a driveway.

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TRUCK ROUTES

(a) General provisions.
   (1) Definitions. For the purpose of these rules, a truck is defined as any vehicle or combination of vehicles designed for the transportation of property, which has either of the following characteristics: two axles, six tires; or three or more axles
   (2) Exceptions. These rules do not apply to authorized emergency vehicles and authorized public utility company vehicles engaged in an emergency operation as defined in §114-b of the Vehicle and Traffic Law.
   (3) Enforcement. An operator of any truck as defined above shall have in his/her possession throughout each trip a bill of lading, or similar document, showing the points of origin and destination of the trip. Upon the request of a law enforcement officer or other authorized person, the truck operator shall present for inspection the above stated document or documents.

(b) Truck routing rules for the Borough of Queens.
   (1) Through trucks. An operator of any truck as defined above, having neither an origin nor a destination within the Borough of Queens shall restrict the operation of such vehicle to those street segments on the following list. These are designated as “Through Truck Routes.” All trucks must adhere to all posted signs indicating locations that limit the height of vehicles permitted to operate thereon.

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(c) Truck routing rules for the Borough of Staten Island.

(1) Through trucks. An operator of any truck as defined in paragraph (a)(1) above, having neither an origin nor a destination within the Borough of Staten Island, shall restrict the operation of such vehicle to those street segments on the following list. These are designated as "Through Truck Routes." All trucks must adhere to all posted signs indicating locations that limit the height of vehicles permitted to operate thereon.

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(2) Local trucks.

(i) 2 axles, 6 tires. An operator of any truck as defined in paragraph (a)(1) above, with 2 axles, 6 tires and having an origin or destination for the purpose of delivery, loading or servicing within the Borough of Staten Island, shall only operate such vehicle over the following listed "Local Truck Routes" and "Limited Local- Truck Routes," except that an operator may drive on a street not designated below for the purpose of arriving at his/her destination. This shall be accomplished by leaving a designated truck route at the intersection which is nearest and provides the most direct route to his/her destination, proceeding by the most direct route while observing existing street directions and turn restrictions, and then returning to the nearest designated truck route by the most direct route. If the operator has additional destinations in the immediate vicinity, he/she may proceed by the most direct route to his/her next destination without returning to a designated truck route, provided that the operator's next destination does not require that he/she cross a designated truck route. All trucks must adhere to all posted signs indicating locations that limit the height of vehicles permitted to operate thereon.

(ii) 3 or more axles. An operator of any truck as defined in paragraph (a)(1) above, with 3 or more axles, and having an origin or destination for the purpose of delivery, loading or servicing within the Borough of Staten Island, shall only operate such vehicle over the
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(1) Through trucks. An operator of any truck as defined in paragraph (a)(1) above, having neither an origin nor a destination within the Borough of Manhattan, shall restrict the operation of such vehicle to those street segments designated on the following list as "Through Truck Routes." All trucks must adhere to all posted signs indicating locations that limit the height of vehicles permitted to operate thereon.
### LOCAL TRUCK ROUTES

**(2) Local trucks.** An operator of any truck as defined in paragraph (a)(1) above, having an origin or destination for the purpose of delivery, loading or servicing within the Borough of Manhattan, shall restrict the operation of such vehicle to those street segments designated on the following list as "Local Truck Routes," except that an operator may operate on a street not designated below for the purpose of leaving his/her origin or arriving at his/her destination (subject to restrictions specified in §4-13(d)(3) through §4-13(d)(5) of these rules). This shall be accomplished by leaving a designated truck route at an intersection that is nearest and provides the most direct route to his/her destination, proceeding by the most direct route while observing existing street directions and turn restrictions, and then returning to the nearest designated truck route by the most direct route. If the operator has additional destinations in the immediate vicinity, he/she may proceed by the most direct route to his/her next destination without returning to a designated truck route, provided that the operator's next destination does not require that he/she cross a designated truck route. All trucks must adhere to all posted signs indicating locations that limit the height of vehicles permitted to operate thereon.

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(3) **Limited truck zones.**

(i) **Restrictions.** Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a), (d)(1) and (d)(2) of this section, no operator of a truck as defined in paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall operate, enter, stop, stand or park his/her vehicle upon any of the streets designated on the following list as "Limited Truck Zones" except for the purpose of making a delivery, loading or servicing within said zone. This shall be accomplished by leaving a designated truck route at the intersection that is nearest and provides the most direct route to his/her destination, proceeding by the most direct route while observing existing street directions and turn restrictions, and then returning to the nearest designated truck route by the most direct route. If the operator has additional destinations in the immediate vicinity, he/she may proceed by the most direct route to his/her next destination without returning to a designated truck route.
provided that the operator's next destination does not require that he/she cross a designated truck route.

(ii) **Time period.** 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

(iii) **Zones**

**Zone A-Chelsea**
Bounded by the northern property line of 16th Street, the eastern property line of Ninth Avenue, the northern property line of 18th Street, the eastern property line of Tenth Avenue, the southern property line of 30th Street, the western property line of Eighth Avenue, the southern property line of 25th Street, the western property line of Seventh Avenue, the northern property line of 19th Street and the western property line of Eighth Avenue. Trucks passing completely through the designated area, or entering it for the purpose of reaching or leaving a street within these boundaries, are permitted to traverse 23rd Street, Eighth Avenue and Ninth Avenue only.

**Zone B-Chinatown**
Bounded by the northern property line of Worth Street, the eastern property line of Baxter Street, the southern property line of Canal Street, the western property line of the Bowery, and the western property line of Chatham Square.

**Zone C-Greenwich Village**
Bounded by the northern property line of Spring Street, the eastern property line of Varick Street, the eastern property line of Seventh Avenue South, the northern property line of Clarkson Street, the eastern property line of Hudson Street, the northern property line of Morton Street, the eastern property line of Washington Street, the southern property line of Gansevoort Street, the southern property line of 14th Street, the western property line of Avenue of the Americas, the southern property line of 12th Street, the western property line of University Place, the southern property line of 8th Street, the western property line of Mercer Street, the northern property line of Houston Street, and the western property line of West Broadway. Trucks passing completely through the designated area, or entering it for the purpose of reaching or leaving a street within these boundaries, are permitted to traverse Avenue of the Americas, Eighth Avenue, Eighth Street, Greenwich Avenue, Hudson Street (Northbound only), Seventh Avenue South, Varick Street and Houston Street only. Trucks with neither an origin nor a destination within Manhattan are restricted to Houston Street and Avenue of the Americas between Spring and Houston Streets only.

**Zone D-Little Italy**
Bounded by the northern property line of Canal Street, the eastern property line of Centre Street, the eastern property line of Cleveland Place, the eastern property line of Lafayette Street, the southern property line of Houston Street and the western property line of Bowery. Trucks passing completely through the designated area, or entering it for the purpose of reaching or leaving a street within these boundaries, are permitted to traverse Grand Street, Kenmare Street and Canal Street only. Trucks with neither an origin nor a destination within Manhattan are restricted to Canal Street only.

**Zone E-Lower East Side**
Bounded by the northern property line of Senator Robert F. Wagner Place, the eastern property line of St. James Place, the eastern property line of East Broadway,
the southern property line of Montgomery Street, and the western property line of South Street. Trucks passing completely through the designated area, or entering it for the purpose of reaching or leaving a street within these boundaries, are permitted to traverse Pike Slip and Pike Street only.

(4) Special garment center rule.
   (i) Restrictions. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a), (d)(1) and (d)(2) of this section, no operator of a truck as defined in paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall operate, enter, stop, stand or park his/her vehicle upon any of the streets included within the boundaries designated below except for the purpose of making a delivery, loading or servicing on said streets. An operator shall not enter a street within the designated boundaries for the sole purpose of gaining access to a designated truck route, or to an adjacent street within said boundaries.
   (ii) Time period. 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.
   (iii) Boundaries. Bounded by the northern property line of 34th Street, the eastern property line of Eighth Avenue, the southern property line of 42nd Street and the western property line of Avenue of the Americas. Trucks passing completely through the designated area, or entering it for the purpose of reaching or leaving a street within these boundaries, are permitted to traverse Seventh Avenue and Broadway only.

(5) Operation of vehicles 33 feet or more in length restricted. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§4-08(1)(2) and (3) and 4-13 of these rules, no operator of a vehicle or combination of vehicles used for the transportation of merchandise, having an overall length of 33 feet or more including load and bumpers, shall operate, enter, traverse, stop, stand, or park any such vehicle or combination of vehicles upon any of the streets included in the area bounded by the south property line of West 42nd Street, the west property line of 5th Avenue, the north property line of West 34th Street, and the east property line of 9th Avenue, all in the Borough of Manhattan, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., and between 12 noon and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday inclusive, except that the operator of any such vehicle or combination of vehicles who has lawfully entered this area may allow such vehicle or combination of vehicles to remain therein while being expeditiously loaded or unloaded, but must remove same therefrom before 12 noon, and provided that any vehicle or combination of vehicles 33 feet or more in length may enter such area in order to reach an off-street parking facility or terminal therein where such parking facility or terminal is sufficient in size to accommodate the vehicle or combination of vehicles, and where no waiting, loading, or unloading on the street by such vehicle or combination of vehicles will take place. Such vehicle or combination of vehicles may not stop between an entry point into the area and its destination for any purpose other than to conform with traffic rules.

(6) Special rules for vehicles 33 feet or more in length in the financial district and midtown core.
   (i) Financial district.
      (A) Time period. 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.
      (B) Restrictions. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (a), (d)(1) and (d)(2) of this section, no operator of a vehicle having an overall length of 33 feet or more shall enter his/her vehicle upon any of the streets included within the boundaries designated below.
      (C) Exceptions. Trucks having an overall length of 33 feet or more whose operator has in his/her possession a special permit issued by the Department of Transportation.
      (D) Boundaries. Bounded by the eastern property line of Whitehall Street, the eastern property line of Broadway, the eastern property line of Park Row, the southern property line of Frankfort Street, the western property line of Pearl Street, and the western property line of Water Street.
(ii) Midtown core.

(A) Time period. 12:00 Noon to 6:00 P.M. Monday through Friday.

(B) Restrictions. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (d)(1), through (d)(4) of this section, no operator of a vehicle having an overall length of 33 feet or more shall enter his/her vehicle upon any of the streets included within the boundaries designated below.

(C) Exceptions. Vehicles having an overall length of 33 feet or more whose operator has in his/her possession a special permit issued by the Department of Transportation.

(D) Boundaries. Bounded by the northern property line of 42nd Street, the eastern property line of Seventh Avenue, the southern property line of Central Park South, the southern property line of 59th Street, and the western property line of Third Avenue. Trucks having an overall length of 33 feet or more passing completely through the designated area are permitted to traverse 57th Street and Lexington Avenue only.

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Section 4-14

PARKWAYS AND PARKS

(a) Parkways. The following provisions shall govern the use of all parkways:
   (1) Peddlers, vendors, hawkers and hucksters. No peddler, vendor, hawker or huckster shall stop or remain on any part of the right of way or service roads or entrances.
   (2) Use of parkways restricted. Commercial vehicles, pedestrians, horses, limited use vehicles and bicycles are prohibited on parkways.
   (3) Flat tires. No operator shall stop his/her vehicle on the improved or paved roadway of a park or parkway for the purpose of removing or replacing a flat tire. No person shall remove or replace a flat tire unless the vehicle is completely off the improved or paved roadway so that no portion of the vehicle or the person is exposed to passing vehicles.

(b) Restrictions on vehicles.
   (1) Commercial vehicles. Commercial vehicles are prohibited from using any park, except under permit where necessary to make deliveries in such park. Wherever service roads adjoin the main roadway to a park such vehicles are required to use the service roads set apart for such use. In all cases such vehicles must enter the park from the nearest street intersection or entrance, in the direction of traffic, and leave by the nearest intersecting street or exit in the direction of traffic.
   (2) Business or advertising purposes. Vehicles having any name, insignia, or sign painted or displayed thereon for business or advertising purposes are prohibited in parks or parkways except as provided in paragraph (b)(1), above.
   (3) Carriers of offensive refuse or heavy materials. No garbage, ashes, manure, or other offensive material shall be carried through any park. When such refuse is to be removed from premises fronting on any park or improved or paved roadway in a park, the vehicle collecting it must leave the park or improved or paved roadway as soon as the collection has been accomplished, and within the time prescribed by the Commissioner of Parks.
   (4) Buses. No persons shall, except under a permit, drive or operate a bus within any park or on a parkway. Charter buses will be permitted to operate between the shortest possible routes from outside a park to deliver or to pick up their passengers from a picnic, bathing or other recreation area only if a permit to enter the park has been issued to the person sponsoring the outing, picnic, etc. Buses must proceed over the route and to the parking space designated in the permit. Parking in the designated parking space will be limited to the time prescribed in the permit.
   (5) Hearse. No hearse or other vehicle carrying or used for carrying the body of a dead person shall enter or be allowed in any park except by permit.

(c) Restricted areas of parks. No person shall, in any park, drive or operate a vehicle within or upon a safety zone, walk, bridle path or any part of any park designated or customarily used for such purposes. No person shall ride a bicycle, limited use vehicle, or scooter in any park, except in places designated for such riding; but persons may push such machines in single file to and from such places, except on beaches and boardwalks. No person shall ride a limited use vehicle upon any bicycle, pedestrian or bridle path or upon any street or walkway that has been set aside for bicycling while such designation is in effect. No wheelchairs shall be operated in any part of any park unless licensed by the Commissioner of Parks, except that invalids' wheelchairs may be pushed along the boardwalk and pedestrian walks. No person shall ride or lead a horse or other beast of burden in a park, except on a bridle path or along routes customarily used for access to and from bridle paths.

(d) Projecting articles. No person shall operate or drive in any park or parkway a vehicle containing any person or object projecting or hanging outside or on the top thereof; except that outdoor sports and recreation equipment such as skis, ski poles, fishing rods, beach chairs, beach umbrellas, tent poles, toboggans, and sleds may be carried on the rear of such vehicles or on a rack designed for the
purpose and attached to the top thereof, provided that in all cases fastenings shall be secure and substantial, and provided that such equipment so carried shall in no case project more than 12 inches above the top or to the rear of such vehicle.

(e) **Driving off pavement.**

(1) No vehicle shall be operated or driven off the improved or paved roadways of any park or parkway unless it is disabled.

(2) All stalled or disabled vehicles must be removed from paved roadways in parks and parkways so as to prevent obstruction of traffic. If not so removed by the owners then they may be removed by Department of Transportation forces or licensed tow operators at the expense of the owners and in such event neither the City nor such licensed tow operators shall be liable for damages caused to such vehicles during removal.

(3) No disabled vehicle shall be permitted to remain in a park for a longer period than two hours.

(f) **Parking.** No person shall, in any park area designated as a parking space,

(1) fail to comply with an order of a law enforcement officer or any park employee or disobey or disregard the notices, prohibitions, instructions or directions on any park sign or parking meter including the Rules of Museums or Zoological or Botanical Gardens, posted on the grounds or buildings of said institutions.

(2) between one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, stop or park in a vehicle, except at places designated or maintained therefor.
Section 4-15 Limitations

UPON DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHTS OF VEHICLES

(a) Definitions.
(1) Highway. When used in this section, a highway shall mean the entire width between the boundary lines of every public way publicly maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel and includes any street, avenue, road, square, place, alley, lane, highway, boulevard, concourse, parkway, driveway, culvert, sidewalk, crosswalk, boardwalk, viaduct, underpass and any private street open to public motor vehicle traffic.

(2) Exception. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any vehicle authorized by the Federal Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982, as amended, when such vehicle is operating pursuant to the provisions of such Act.

(b) Dimensions and weights of vehicles. No person shall operate or move, or cause or knowingly permit to be operated or moved on any highway or bridge any vehicle or combination of vehicles of a size or weight exceeding the limitations provided for in this subdivision (b).

(1) Width of vehicle. The width of a vehicle, inclusive of load, shall not be more than eight feet except that the width of school buses and fire vehicles shall not exceed 98 inches and the width of buses having a carrying capacity of more than seven passengers shall not exceed 102 inches.

(2) Height of vehicle. The height of a vehicle from underside of tire to top of vehicle, including its load, shall not be more than 13 1/2 feet; provided, however, that air cargo carried in containers and pallets loaded onto flatbed trucks that thereby exceed such height may travel between any airport under the jurisdiction of the port of New York authority and off-airport facilities involved in the handling of air cargo located within one mile of such airport on local routes to be designated by the Commissioner. Any such vehicle on such route shall not be required to obtain a permit for such travel.

(3) Length of single vehicles. The length of a single vehicle, inclusive of load and bumpers shall not be more than 35 feet. The provisions of this paragraph (3) shall not apply to semitrailers, fire vehicles, single unit buses having a capacity of more than fifteen passengers, provided the length of such buses does not exceed 45 feet; or articulated buses provided the length of such buses does not exceed 65 feet. Operators of buses longer than 45 feet in length may be required to demonstrate that on-street stops and terminal areas used by such buses are of sufficient length to accommodate them. In no case shall any bus that has a turning radius greater than 50 feet operate without a permit for such operation issued by the Commissioner;

(4) Length of combinations of vehicles. The total length of a combination of vehicles, inclusive of load and bumpers, shall not be more than 55 feet, except that the combination of vehicle, load and bumper of vehicles hauling poles, girders, columns or other similar objects of great length which are indivisible, shall not be more than 60 feet. The provisions of this paragraph (4) shall not apply to any fire vehicle or to a vehicle or combination of vehicles that is disabled and unable to proceed under its own power and is being towed for a distance of not more than ten miles for the purpose of repair or removal from the highway.

(5) Number of wheels and axles. In determining the number of wheels and axles on any vehicle or combination of vehicles within the meaning of this subdivision (b), only 2 wheels shall be counted for each axle, and axles that are fewer than 46 inches apart from center to center shall be counted as 1 axle. However, in the case of multiple tires or multiple wheels, the sum of the widths of all tires on a wheel or combination of wheels shall be taken in determining tire width.

(6) Weight per inch of tire. The weight per inch width of tire of any one wheel of a single vehicle or a combination of vehicles, equipped with pneumatic tires, when loaded, shall not be more than 800 pounds.
(7) **Weight on one wheel.** The weight on any one wheel of a single vehicle or a combination of vehicles, equipped with pneumatic tires, when loaded, shall not be more than 11,200 pounds.

(8) **Weight on one axle.** The weight on any one axle of a single vehicle or combination of vehicles, equipped with pneumatic tires, when loaded, shall not be more than 22,400 pounds.

(9) **Weight on two axles.** The weight on any two consecutive axles of a single vehicle or a combination of vehicles, equipped with pneumatic tires, when loaded, and when such axles are spaced fewer than 10 feet from center to center, shall not be more than 36,000 pounds. Axles shall be counted as provided in paragraph (5) of this subdivision (b).

(10) **Weight on three axles.** A single vehicle or a combination of vehicles having 3 axles or more and equipped with pneumatic tires, when loaded, may have a total weight on all axles not to exceed 34,000 pounds, plus 1,000 pounds for each foot and major fraction of a foot of the distance from the center of the foremost axle to the center of the rearmost axle. Axles shall be counted as provided in paragraph (5) of this subdivision (b). In no case, however, shall the total weight exceed 80,000 pounds without any tolerance for enforcement purposes.

(11) **Weight on solid rubber tires.** A vehicle or combination of vehicles equipped with any solid rubber tires shall not have a load weighing more than 80% of the total weight permitted in this subdivision (b) for pneumatic tires.

(12) **Width of tires.** For the purpose of this subdivision (b), the width of pneumatic tires shall be ascertained by measuring the greatest width of the tire casing when the tire is inflated. The width of solid rubber tires shall be ascertained by measuring the width of the tire base channel or between the flanges of the metal rim. No vehicle equipped with solid rubber tires, which has at any point less than 1 inch of rubber above the top or beyond the flange or rim, shall be operated upon a public highway. The width of metal tires shall be ascertained by measuring the width of contact of the tire with the road surface.

(13) **Weight and height restrictions on bridges, viaducts and other structures.** No person shall operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles over, on or through any bridge, viaduct or other structures on any highway if the weight of such vehicle or combination of vehicles and load is greater than the posted capacity of the structure or exceeds the height of the posted clearance as shown by an official sign or other marking or device.

(14) **Other limits also in effect.** Nothing in this subdivision (b) shall be construed as preventing the enforcement of rules now in effect or hereafter promulgated by the Department of Transportation further limiting the size and weight of vehicles in designated areas.

(15) **Permits.** Upon application in writing showing good cause, the Commissioner may issue a permit to operate or move a vehicle or a combination of vehicles, the weights and dimensions of which exceed the limitations provided for in this subdivision (b), upon any highway under his/her jurisdiction. Every such permit may designate the route to be traversed and may contain any other restrictions or conditions deemed necessary by the Commissioner. Every such permit shall be carried on the vehicle to which it refers and shall be open to the inspection of any law enforcement officer or any inspector of the Bureau of Weights and Measures of the Department of Consumer Affairs of the City of New York. All permits issued shall be revocable by the Commissioner at his/her discretion without a hearing or the necessity of showing cause.

(i) If an operator of a vehicle with a gross weight of 300,000 pounds or more seeks to cross a bridge under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation of the City of New York, the operator must comply with the following:

(A) A load rating determined by a New York State licensed Professional Engineer with at least three years experience in the design, inspection and load rating of bridges must be submitted with the permit application. The information contained within such load rating shall include, but is not limited to: (1) the ratings for the inventory and operating level for all structural elements of the bridge so that the critical element of the bridge is identified; (2) the actual weight of the vehicle per axle and the actual axle
spacing; and (3) the method used for establishing the capacity of the bridge(s). Load ratings shall be submitted for each bridge on the travel route. Load ratings should conform to "Level 1" load ratings pursuant to New York State Department of Transportation Engineering Instructions for Load Ratings and the latest edition of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Condition Evaluation of Bridges. Each load rating must be stamped and certified by the licensed Professional Engineer who prepared it.

(B) Within one week from the vehicle's crossover of the bridge(s), the permittee must file a post inspection report of the bridge(s) with the Department. The post inspection report should analyze the structural integrity of the bridge(s), to the Department's satisfaction, as a result of the vehicle's crossover. If the post inspection report indicates any type of distress to the bridge(s), the permittee must rectify the distress and/or damage to the Department's satisfaction. The permittee may submit a pre-inspection report of the bridge's structural integrity for comparison purposes; otherwise the Department will use its latest biennial inspection reports for such purposes. Any pre or post inspection report must comply with the requirements set forth in the latest edition of the New York State Department of Transportation Bridge Inspection Manual. Any distress that is not identified in the pre-inspection report or the biennial inspection reports will be deemed to have been caused by the move.

(C) Should the permittee fail to comply with any of the requirements contained in this subparagraph, the Commissioner may refuse to issue future overweight and/or overdimensional vehicle permits to the permittee.

(ii) Reserved.

(16) Permits for vehicles operating pursuant to governmental regulation.

(i) Where compliance with the requirements of a governmental regulatory agency necessitates exceeding the weight limitations provided herein, a permit may be issued by the Commissioner on application therefor, for a vehicle to exceed such prescribed weight limitations to the extent necessary to meet the governmental regulatory requirements, but in no event shall the allowable total vehicle weight provided herein be exceeded.

(ii) The application shall include the type of vehicle, the manner and extent to which the weight limitations are to be exceeded, the design details causing such excess and a copy of the governmental regulatory agency requirements.

(17) Fees. An administrative fee of $35.00 shall be charged for each and every permit issued under this subdivision (b) unless otherwise provided by law. This fee shall not be refundable and is payable in addition to any other fees or charges provided for under the rules of the Department of Transportation.

(18) Exemptions.

(i) Fire Department vehicles. The provisions of this subdivision (b) with respect to the limitations of the weight on axles shall not apply to vehicles of the Fire Department, but in no event shall the allowable total vehicle weight provided hereby be exceeded.

(ii) Department of Sanitation vehicles. The provisions of this subdivision (b) with respect to the width of a vehicle shall not apply to the sweepers of the Department of Sanitation, provided they do not exceed 11 feet in width.

(iii) Vehicles working on highways. The provisions of this subdivision (b) with respect to the width of a vehicle shall not apply to vehicles engaged in work on a highway.

(c) Enforcement; measurement and weight of vehicles. Any law enforcement officer or any inspector of the Department of Consumer Affairs of the City of New York having reason to believe that any vehicle or load is in violation of the restrictions in subdivision (b), above, is authorized to stop the vehicle on any public highway or private street open to public motor vehicle traffic and measure
and weigh it by means of portable or stationary measures and scales. Any law enforcement officer or such inspector may require that the vehicle be driven to the nearest scales, if they are within 3 miles. **(d) Responsibility for damages.** The owner and operator of any vehicle used in the business of a motor carrier, and the carrier, if the vehicle is actually engaged in the conduct of the business, shall be jointly and severally responsible for all damages, to any highway, bridge or culvert resulting from the movement over or under them of any such vehicle that violates any of the weight or size provisions of subdivision (b) above.

**(e) Special concrete plant.** Upon application in writing and for cause shown, the Commissioner may issue permits to exceed the maximum weight limits provided for in these rules for two- or three-axle vehicles operated in connection with the manufacture or supply of concrete for construction projects located in New York City, provided that such vehicles are registered to or leased by the owner of a manufacturing facility constructed subsequent to January 1, 1986 on land provided by the City for such purposes.

**(f) Annual overweight load permit.**

**(1) Permits generally.** Except where inconsistent with any federal law, rule or regulation, the Commissioner may issue an annual overweight load permit, as provided in subdivision fifteen of section three hundred eighty-five of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, to expire on the date of expiration of the registration of the vehicle, for any vehicle designed and constructed to carry loads that are not of one piece or item, which vehicle currently is registered in this State and operational on public highways in this State and which was registered in this State and operational on public highways in this State immediately prior to January first, nineteen hundred eighty-six, in accordance with the following subparagraphs. The Commissioner also may issue an annual permit to a vehicle or combination of vehicles which replaces a vehicle, which vehicle or combination of vehicles was registered in this State and operational on public highways in this State immediately prior to January first, nineteen hundred eighty-six, provided the manufacturer’s recommended maximum gross weight of the replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles does not exceed the weight for which a permit may be issued and the maximum load to be carried on the replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles does not exceed the maximum load which could have been carried on the vehicle being replaced or the registered weight of such vehicle, whichever is lower, in accordance with the following subparagraphs. Motor carriers having apportioned vehicles registered under the international registration plan either must have a currently valid permit as of January first, nineteen hundred ninety-four or shall have designated New York as their base state under the international registration plan in order to be eligible to receive such permit.

If a permit holder operates a vehicle or combination of vehicles in violation of any posted weight restriction, the permit issued to such vehicle or combination of vehicles shall be deemed void as of the next day and shall not be reissued for a period of twelve calendar months; provided, however, that if such violation is adjudicated in favor of the permittee by the New York State Traffic Violations Bureau, the permit shall be reinstated immediately upon presentation of a copy of such judgment to the Commissioner.

**(i) A permit may be issued for a vehicle having at least three axles and a wheelbase not exceeding forty-four feet nor less than seventeen feet or for a vehicle with a trailer not exceeding forty feet.**

A permit may only be issued for such a vehicle having a maximum gross weight not exceeding seventy-nine thousand pounds and any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed fifty-nine thousand pounds, and any tridem shall not exceed sixty-four thousand pounds.

**(ii) A permit may be issued only until December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-nine for a vehicle or combination of vehicles that has been permitted within the past four years having five axles and a wheelbase of at least thirty-six and one-half feet.** The maximum gross weight
of such a vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed one hundred five thousand pounds and any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed fifty-one thousand pounds. A permit may be issued for a vehicle or combination of vehicles having at least five axles and a wheelbase of at least thirty feet. The maximum gross weight of such vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed ninety-three thousand pounds and any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed forty-five thousand pounds and any tridem axle group weight shall not exceed fifty-seven thousand pounds.

(iii) A permit may be issued for a vehicle or combination of vehicles having at least five axles or more and a wheelbase of at least thirty-six and one-half feet, provided such permit contains routing restrictions.

Until December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-four, the maximum gross weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles permitted under this subparagraph shall not exceed one hundred twenty thousand pounds and any tandem or tridem axle group weight shall not exceed sixty-nine thousand pounds, provided, however, that any replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles permitted after January first, nineteen hundred ninety-five, shall have at least six axles, any tandem axle group shall not exceed fifty thousand pounds and any tridem axle group shall not exceed sixty-nine thousand pounds.

After December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-four, the tridem axle group weight of any vehicle or combination of vehicles issued a permit under this subparagraph shall not exceed sixty-seven thousand pounds, any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed fifty thousand pounds and any single axle weight shall not exceed twenty-five thousand seven hundred fifty pounds.

After December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-nine, all vehicles issued a permit under this subparagraph must have at least six axles.

(iv) A permit may be issued for a vehicle having two axles and a wheelbase not less than ten feet, with the maximum gross weight not in excess of one hundred twenty-five percent of the total weight limitation as set forth in subdivision ten of section three hundred eighty-five of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. Furthermore, any axle weight shall not exceed twenty-seven thousand pounds.

(2) **Combination permits.**

(i) Each power unit of a combination of vehicles must have its own annual overweight load permit. A power unit may be used to obtain any number of permits for different combinations of vehicles as long as each permit has a maximum of five trailers per power unit. Only the first permit issued to a power unit pursuant to this paragraph is transferable pursuant to subparagraph (ii) of paragraph three of this subdivision.

(ii) A permit issued to a power unit for a combination of vehicles under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph may not be used for trailers other than those specifically listed on each permit.

(iii) All trailers must be listed on the corresponding permit by vehicle identification number (VIN), license plate number or trailer certificate of title number.

(iv) For each permit issued to a power unit for a combination of vehicles, up to five trailers will be listed with the payment of a $25.00 fee for each trailer other than the first trailer in addition to the permit fee set forth in subparagraph (ii) of paragraph six of this subdivision.

(3) **Replacement vehicle permits.** A "replacement vehicle" is a vehicle or combination of vehicles that replaces a vehicle with a current annual overweight load permit. A replacement vehicle may be eligible for an annual overweight load permit, subject to the following:

(i) A replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles may be eligible for an annual overweight load permit, provided the manufacturer's recommended maximum gross weight of the replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles does not exceed the weight for which a permit may be issued pursuant to this section and the maximum load to be carried on the
replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles does not exceed the maximum load which could have been carried on the vehicle being replaced or the registered weight of such vehicle, whichever is lower.

(ii) Effective October 1, 1995, an annual overweight load permit may only be transferred to a replacement vehicle with the same registrant or transferred with the permitted vehicle as part of the sale or transfer of the permit holder's business. Acceptable forms of proof of the sale or transfer of the permit holder's business shall include, but not be limited to, a notarized statement, a statement attested to by at least two independent witnesses, a certified copy of the document of sale or transfer, a will or other official document disposing of the business. Only one permit issued to a power unit pursuant to paragraph two above is eligible for transfer.

(iii) Banking.

(A) For purposes of this section, "banked weight" shall mean the New York State highest registered gross legal weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles prior to April first, nineteen hundred eighty-seven; such vehicle or combination of vehicles must have been registered in New York State and operational on public highways in this State immediately prior to January first, nineteen hundred eighty-six in order to be part of the banked weight system.

(B) Excess weight capacity that can be banked arises from the following situations:

(a) a replacement vehicle has a gross vehicle weight less than the banked weight capacity of the replaced vehicle; or

(b) the statutory reduction in allowable maximum weights under the permit results in a permissible maximum weight less than the banked weight capacity; or

(c) there is a voluntary surrender of a permit or permits in order to obtain one or more replacement permits, and there is excess weight after the issuance of the new permit or permits; or

(d) there is a voluntary surrender of a permit without obtaining a new permit.

(C) Any vehicle whose permit has been surrendered voluntarily, and its weight banked, cannot obtain another annual overweight load permit.

(D) Banked weight can be used only to justify the acquisition of additional vehicles or combinations of vehicles pursuant to this subdivision.

(a) Claims of replacement vehicle rights based on banked weight capacity must indicate the source of the banked weight capacity.

(b) The banked weight capacity for any replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed the allowable permitted weight for such replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles, and shall not exceed the gross weight capacity of the replaced vehicle or combination of vehicles.

(c) Unused banked weight capacity cannot justify a replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles that has a gross weight capacity greater than the replaced vehicle or combination of vehicles.

(d) Any replacement vehicle may be replaced pursuant to the provisions of this section; when a replacement vehicle; has been replaced it becomes ineligible for further annual overweight load permits pursuant to this section.

(E) If a permit is revoked pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision, the permitted weight cannot be banked.

(4) Leasing.

(i) The lessor of a leased vehicle may obtain a permit for the vehicle pursuant to this subdivision (f).
(ii) The lessee of a leased vehicle who has an exclusive leasing arrangement that exceeds thirty days will be presumed to be the registrant for purposes of obtaining a permit, unless shown otherwise.

(iii) Where a leasing agreement is for thirty days or less, and the lessor has not obtained a permit for the leased vehicle, the lessee must obtain a single use permit for each day of operation of the leased vehicle pursuant to paragraph fifteen of subdivision (b) of this section.

(5) Permit application.

(i) General.

(A) Except as otherwise provided in this section for daily permits, eligible vehicles or combinations of vehicles exceeding allowable weights pursuant to law are required to obtain an annual overweight load permit from the Commissioner pursuant to this subdivision in order to operate on those highways under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner. An annual overweight load permit is not valid unless the vehicle or combination of vehicles is operated and maintained in accordance with the provisions of these Rules and with any other special requirements indicated on the permit.

(B) All applications must be on the forms prescribed by and available from the Commissioner.

(C) The permit application and procedures for granting permits shall be made available to a registrant upon request at the Department of Transportation, Authorized Permits and Parking Division, by mail or in person, and must be completed in all respects by the registrant or his legal representative. The applicant must be the registrant of the vehicle, except where there is a leased vehicle as provided in this subdivision.

(ii) Proof of registration.

(A) All vehicles, including vehicles to be replaced, must have been registered in this State and operational on public highways in the State of New York immediately prior to January first, nineteen hundred eighty-six. To obtain a permit, the registrant must show proof of valid New York State registration for the vehicle or combination of vehicles and must maintain such New York State registration for the duration of the permit.

(B) The applicant must submit with his application a copy of the registration of each vehicle or replacement vehicle.

(C) The burden of proof in establishing the validity and existence of the New York State registration is upon the applicant.

(iii) Identification of vehicle and load.

(A) The power unit shall be identified by make, year of manufacture, model number, vehicle identification number (VIN), and license plate number.

(B) The manufacturer's recommended gross weight rating and the registered gross vehicle weight shall be indicated on an annual overweight load permit application for replacement vehicles.

(C) Manufacturer's maximum axle weight(s), axle spacing, number of tires, and maximum tire load spacing shall be indicated on an annual overweight load permit application for all vehicles.

(iv) Procedure. The applicant must complete the required application information and submit the required number of copies of such application, together with the required permit fee(s), as well as any required documentation, to the Commissioner by mail or in person. All applications must be signed by the registrant or his legal representative.

(v) Reapplication fee. When a reapplication is made for a permit for the same vehicle or combination of vehicles that have been denied a permit, the initial annual vehicle fee shall be increased by $25.00.
(vi) No refund after granting of permit. No refund shall be made once an application for a permit has been filed and a permit granted by the Commissioner.

(vii) False information voids permit. Permits which have been issued on the basis of falsely stated information shall be null and void.

(viii) New owners must obtain new permits. If the registrant of the vehicle has been changed after a permit has been issued, the new owner(s) must obtain a modified permit.

(ix) Permit application information.

(A) Registrants of vehicles eligible for permits pursuant to this section must furnish to the Commissioner a certified copy of the vehicle's current New York State registration or registration pursuant to the international registration plan with New York State designated as the base state. The registrant also must provide a certified copy of the vehicle's registration, or other verifiable proof acceptable to the Commissioner, demonstrating that the vehicle was registered in New York State immediately prior to January first, nineteen hundred eighty-six; once such fact has been established with the Commissioner, subsequent permit applications do not require such proof, provided the most recent permit number for the vehicle is provided in the new permit application.

(B) The registrant must furnish to the Commissioner, vehicle measurements consisting of:

(a) Trailer length; and
(b) Number of axles; and
(c) Axle spacing; and
(d) Manufacturer's recommended gross vehicle weight; and
(e) Total wheelbase measurement (including tractor/steering axle); and
(f) Tire size and number of tires of each axle; and
(g) Manufacturer's maximum axle weight rating.

(6) Fees.

(i) The following fees shall be charged and collected by the Commissioner for obtaining an annual overweight load permit. Fees shall be paid by money order, certified check, bank check, check drawn on a New York State bank, or a negotiable instrument acceptable to and made payable to the "New York City Department of Transportation." Fees must accompany each permit application. Improperly filed permit applications shall be subject to an administrative fee of $25.00.

(ii) The fee for an annual overweight load permit shall be $600 if for a period of six months or more. The fee for an annual overweight load permit shall be $300 if for a period of less than six months.

(iii) If a check delivered to the Commissioner or his agent as payment of any fee for the registration of any vehicle or combination of vehicles is dishonored for insufficient funds, all permits issued in the name of that registrant shall be suspended and no other permit shall be issued to such person until full satisfaction of the fee is made and an additional fee of $25.00 is paid to the Commissioner. No such suspension shall be issued until thirty days after notification is mailed to the registrant at the address given on the application for the permit. If satisfaction is made within thirty days from the date of mailing of such notification, no suspension shall be issued and no additional fee shall be charged.

(g) Crane Permits.

(1) Upon application in writing, the Commissioner may issue a special hauling permit to move certain mobile hoisting machines, also known as self-propelled cranes, the weight and dimensions of which exceed the limitations provided herein, upon any highway under his/her jurisdiction. Such hoisting machines shall be considered to constitute a nondivisible load.
(2) The special hauling permit, which shall expire on the 31st day of December next succeeding the date of issuance, may designate the route to be traversed and contain any other restrictions deemed appropriate by the Commissioner.

(3) The permittee shall be required to secure and maintain owners' protective liability and property damage insurance coverage in such amounts and upon such terms as deemed appropriate by the Commissioner.

(4) The fee for the issuance of such annual special hauling permit or renewal thereof shall be $100.00.

(h) Vehicular weights on F.D.R. Drive. No person shall operate or cause to be operated any vehicle in excess of 8000 lbs. (4 tons), including the weight of passengers and cargo, on the F.D.R. Drive northbound from 23rd Street to 63rd Street and the F.D.R. Drive southbound from 63rd Street to 23rd Street. These vehicles include, but shall not be limited to trucks, vans, government-owned vehicles, stretch limousines and buses. For the purposes of enforcement, signs need not be posted for this rule to be in effect.

(i) Overdimensional and/or Overweight Vehicle Bulk Milk Permit.

(1) Permits Generally.

(i) Except where inconsistent with any federal or state law, rule or regulation, the Commissioner may issue a permit, as provided for in paragraph (c) of subdivision fifteen of section three hundred eighty-five of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, to operate or move a combination of vehicles, which for the purpose of this rule shall be limited to one power unit and one trailer except as provided in subparagraph (viii) of paragraph (3) of this subdivision, designed and constructed to carry milk in bulk, the lengths and/or weights of which exceed the limitations provided in subdivision b of this section.

(ii) The permit shall authorize only the transportation of bulk milk within the City of New York to a milk processing facility located within the City of New York or the transportation by such a combination of vehicles out of the City of New York empty or carrying bulk cream, at weights not to exceed the limitations provided in subdivision b of this section, from the milk processing facility.

(iii) A permit issued pursuant to this subdivision shall designate a route approved by the Commissioner. A combination of vehicles operating under a permit issued pursuant to this subdivision may only travel along the route designated on the permit. There shall be one permit per combination of vehicles allowing the combination of vehicles to enter the City of New York and a separate permit allowing the combination of vehicles to leave the City of New York.

(iv) Combinations of vehicles designed and constructed to carry milk in bulk that exceed allowable lengths and/or weights pursuant to law are required to obtain a permit from the Commissioner pursuant to this subdivision in order to operate on those highways under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner.

(v) No permit shall be issued for a combination of vehicles that exceeds 99,000 pounds.

(vi) Permits shall be issued on a quarterly basis.

(2) Permit Application.

(i) Generally.

(A) A permit issued pursuant to this subdivision is not valid unless the combination of vehicles is operated and maintained in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision and with any other special requirements indicated on the permit.

(B) The applicant shall be the registrant of the combination of vehicles except, in the case of a combination of vehicles leased pursuant to an exclusive leasing arrangement that exceeds thirty days, the applicant shall be the lessee. The applicant shall supply his/her Federal Tax ID number.
(C) The permit application and the procedures for granting permits shall be made available to an applicant upon request at the Department of Transportation, Division of Bridges, Truck Permit Unit, by mail, email or in person, and shall be completed in all respects by the applicant or his/her legal representative.

(D) All applications shall be on the forms prescribed by and available from the Commissioner.

(ii) Identification of vehicle and load. The power unit and trailer(s) shall be identified on the application by make, year of manufacture and license plate numbers and State.

(iii) Vehicle Measurements. Applicants shall furnish to the Commissioner all of the following vehicle measurements:

(A) Trailer length;
(B) Number of axles, including axle spacing and axle weights;
(C) Total wheelbase measurement (including tractor/steering axle);
(D) Overall width;
(E) Overall length;
(F) Overall height; and
(G) Total gross vehicle weight including load (tractor, trailer and load).

(iv) Attestation. Applicants shall furnish to the Commissioner a sworn and notarized statement attesting that the vehicles for which a permit application has been submitted will be used solely for the transport of bulk milk or cream.

(v) Procedure. The applicant shall complete the required application information and submit the required number of copies of such application, together with the required permit fee(s), as well as any required documentation, to the Commissioner by mail or in person. All applications shall be signed by the applicant or his/her legal representative.

(vi) Reapplication Fee. When a reapplication is made for a permit under this subdivision for the same combination of vehicles that has been denied a permit, the initial permit fee shall be increased by an administrative fee of $25 in accordance with subparagraph (vii) of paragraph (3) of this subdivision.

(vii) No refund after granting of permit. No refund shall be made once an application for a permit under this subdivision has been filed and a permit granted by the Commissioner.

(viii) False information voids permit. Permits that have been issued on the basis of falsely-stated information shall be null and void.

(ix) New owners shall obtain new permits. If the ownership of a combination of vehicles, or the identity of the lessee in the case of a combination of vehicles leased pursuant to an exclusive leasing arrangement that exceeds thirty days, changes after a permit under this subdivision has been issued, the new owner(s) or lessee(s) shall obtain a modified permit and shall pay the applicable quarterly fee specified in paragraph (3) of this subdivision.

(3) Permit Fees.

(i) The following fees shall be charged and collected by the Commissioner for obtaining a permit or modified permit, issued on a quarterly basis, pursuant to this subdivision. Fees shall be paid by money order, certified check, bank check, check drawn on a New York State bank, or a negotiable instrument acceptable to and made payable to the “New York City Department of Transportation.” Fees shall accompany each permit application. The fee for a permit issued pursuant to this subdivision shall be $650 per combination of vehicles, except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph (3).

(ii) At the beginning of the third year following the effective date of this Rule:

(a) If the total number of permits pursuant to this subdivision issued to the applicant in the second year following the effective date of this Rule is at least 25% less than the total number of permits issued to the applicant in the first year following the effective date of this Rule, the permit fee shall be reduced by $250. The permit fee shall be increased by $250 if the number of permits issued in the second year is at least 25% greater than the number of permits issued in the first year.

(b) If the total number of permits issued in the second year is between 75% and 125% of the number of permits issued in the first year, the permit fee shall remain unchanged.

(c) If the total number of permits issued in the second year is less than 75% of the number of permits issued in the first year, the permit fee shall be reduced by $500.

(d) If the total number of permits issued in the second year is greater than 125% of the number of permits issued in the first year, the permit fee shall be increased by $500.

(e) The permit fee shall be adjusted for inflation in accordance with state law.

(f) The permit fee shall be reviewed every three years after the effective date of this Rule and adjusted as necessary to reflect changes in the cost of providing the permit service.
date of this Rule ("the base-line year amount"), then the fee for a permit shall be $650 per combination of vehicles.

(b) Otherwise, the fee for a permit shall be $715 per combination of vehicles.

(iii) At the beginning of the fourth year following the effective date of this Rule:

(a) If the total number of permits pursuant to this subdivision issued to the applicant in the third year following the effective date of this Rule is at least 50% less than the base-line year amount, then the fee for a permit shall be $650 per combination of vehicles.

(b) Otherwise, the fee for a permit shall be $780 per combination of vehicles.

(iv) At the beginning of the fifth year following the effective date of this Rule:

(a) If the total number of permits pursuant to this subdivision issued to the applicant in the fourth year following the effective date of this Rule is at least 75% less than the base-line year amount, then the fee for a permit shall be $650 per combination of vehicles.

(b) Otherwise, the fee for a permit shall be $812.50 per combination of vehicles.

(v) At the beginning of the sixth year following the effective date of this Rule:

(a) If the total number of permits pursuant to this subdivision issued to the applicant in the fifth year following the effective date of this Rule is 100% less than the base-line year amount, the fee for a permit shall be $650 per combination of vehicles.

(b) Otherwise, the fee for a permit shall be $845 per combination of vehicles.

(vi) Permit fees specified in this paragraph shall apply separately to permits to enter the City of New York and permits to leave the City of New York.

(vii) Reaplication for a permit that has been denied shall be subject to an administrative fee of $25.

(viii) The permit fees provided in subparagraphs (i) through (v) of this paragraph shall apply to permits for one specific power unit and one specific trailer. Applicants may apply for a quarterly permit under this subdivision to attach up to four additional specific trailers to one specific power unit, provided that only one trailer may be used with such power unit at any given time. The fee for a multiple trailer-single power unit combination permit shall be $100 per quarter more than the permits fees provided in subparagraphs (i) through (v) of this paragraph.

(ix) If a check delivered to the Commissioner or his/her agent as payment of any fee for the permitting of any combination of vehicles is dishonored for insufficient funds, all permits issued in the name of that applicant shall be suspended and no other permit shall be issued to such person until full satisfaction of the fee is made and an additional fee of $25 is paid to the Commissioner. No such suspension shall be issued until thirty days after notification is mailed to the applicant at the address given on the application for the permit. If satisfaction is made within thirty days of mailing such notification, no suspension shall be issued and no additional fee shall be charged.

(4) Expiration of Permit Program. After the sixth year following the effective date of this Rule, no permit shall be issued.
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