YARMOUTH POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICY AND PROCEDURE

PARKING TICKET REGULATIONS AND PROCESSING
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Issuing Authority:

Chief Frank G. Frederickson

Policy

Parking regulations shall be enforced with reasonableness and impartiality in all areas of the community. Processing parking tickets shall be the responsibility of the Yarmouth Police Department Records Division and Plymouth County Parking Department.

Parking Regulations

Parking Regulations have been established PURSUANT TO M.G.L. c. 90 SECTIONS 20 ½, AND M.G.L. c. 40 SECTION 22A as adopted by Board of Selectmen September 24, 2019

THE YARMOUTH BOARD OF SELECTMEN HEREBY PROMULGATE THE FOLLOWING PARKING REGULATIONS:

1) The Chief of Police is hereby appointed as Parking Clerk pursuant to M.G.L. c. 90 Section 20A ½. Section 20A1/2. The parking clerk shall supervise and coordinate the processing of parking notices in Yarmouth. The parking clerk shall have the authority to hire and designate such personnel as may be necessary.

2) The following fines and violations shall apply to all roads and other areas specified in these regulations in the Town of Yarmouth except Beach Access Area fines and violations, which shall apply only in Beach Access Areas as defined below.

3) Fines for Handicapped Parking Violations under Yarmouth By-Law c 123 Sections 9-12 are set as follows:
   a) Unauthorized use of Handicapped Space- $100.
   b) Obstruction of handicap spaces or curb cuts- $100

4) The fines for illegal parking in Town of Yarmouth Beach Parking lots are set as follows:
   a) Unauthorized Parking in Beach or Trailer Lot- $35.
b) All night parking in Beach or Trailer Lot - $35.
c) Using More than one space in beach or trailer lot- $35.

5) The fine for Parking in a posted Bus Stop shall be $100.

6) Fines for the following parking violations are set as follows:

   a. Parking in or within 20’ of intersection- $20.
   b. Parking within 10’ of hydrant- $20.
   c. Restricted or Prohibited area- $20.
   e. Over 1’ From Curb- $20.
   f. Leaving less than 10’ wide unobstructed lane in each direction- $20.
   g. Blocking service or loading Zone- $20.
   h. Alongside or opposite Excavation- $20.
   i. Improper Angle parking- $20.
   j. On Bridge or approach thereto- $20.
   l. Blocking driveway or private way- $20.
   m. Parking on sidewalk- $20.

7) A “BEACH ACCESS AREA” is hereby established with fines as follows:

“BEACH ACCESS AREA” shall mean (1) all Town Beaches, Ways to Water, and boat launching ramps, including access ways and driveways leading to said Beaches, Ways to Water, and boat launching Ramps; (2) the following named roads: Seagull Beach Road, South Shore Drive, Judan Way, Beachwood Road, and the East side of Center Street from Grays Beach to Homer’s Dock road; and, (3) that portion of any other way which intersects with any of the foregoing named roads within 100 feet of said intersection.

In a Beach Access Area, the following parking fines shall apply:

   a. Parking in a prohibited or posted area - $35.
   b. Blocking a driveway or private way- $35.
   c. Leaving less than a 10’ wide unobstructed lane in each direction- $35.
   d. Parking within 20’ of intersection- $35.
   e. Parking on sidewalk- $35.
   f. Parking within 10’ of hydrant- $35.
Issuing Parking Tickets

Yarmouth Police Officers and Persons Designated under Town of Yarmouth Code Chapter 25-1 are authorized to issue parking tickets

- All parking tickets are turned into The Yarmouth Police Department Records Division to process.
- At or before the completion of each tour of duty, the officer shall submit to records, through his commanding officer, those copies of each notice of such violation taken cognizance of during such tour. The records division shall retain and safely preserve one of such copies and shall at a time no later than the beginning of the next business day of the city or town after receipt of such notice deliver another of such copies to the parking clerk before whom the offender has been notified to appear. The parking clerk shall maintain a docket of all such notices to appear.
- Parking tickets are then forwarded to Plymouth County Parking Clerk. Address: Plymouth County Treasurer 44 Obery St. Plymouth, MA 02360 508-830-9140
- All fines are collected by Plymouth County Parking Clerk.
- Plymouth County receives $1.50 per ticket and Yarmouth receives the remainder of the fines.
- Plymouth County Parking Clerk will forward a monthly check to the Town of Yarmouth.

Request for Appeals

- Plymouth County Parking Clerk receives all appeal requests.
- Plymouth County Parking Clerk will contact the Yarmouth Police Department Records Clerk to arrange a date and time for an appeals hearing and will forward a list of appeals to the Yarmouth Police Records Division.
- Appeals are conducted as needed.
- Failure to appear for an appeal will result in “NO SHOW” being noted on the ticket. The Plymouth County Parking Division will be notified of a “NO SHOW”.
- Plymouth County then notify the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) of “NO SHOWS”. The (RMV) will add fees and/or set drivers licenses to non-renewable status.
- A parking ticket will be voided prior to being sent to Plymouth County if it was issued in error.