

# **FAQs: Permits for RV and Trailer Parking**

## **How can I apply for an on-street parking permit for an RV?**

You can apply for a permit on-line at [www.lakewoodcity.org/parking](http://www.lakewoodcity.org/parking) and by phone by calling 562-866-9771 or in person at the cashier's counter at city hall during business hours. Permits are also issued at the Sheriff's Community Safety Center in the Lakewood Center mall.

Typically, an RV or trailer owner will need two permits for each trip: one while setting up and a second permit while preparing the vehicle for storage at the end of the trip.

## **How many days can I park my RV?**

The total number of permitted days for any one vehicle is 52 in a calendar year.

The total number of permitted days for any one address where multiple RVs or trailers are registered is 104.

Permits can be consecutive for a maximum of three days, which must be followed by one "gap" day before another permit can be issued.

The on-line system keeps track of the total number of permits issued to each registered RV or trailer and to each residential address.

## **Do I need a permit just to unload?**

No permit is needed for the immediate loading and unloading of your RV. Apply for a permit if you expect to leave your RV parked and unattended for an extended period.

## **Is there a tag or sticker or other registration I have to put on my RV?**

There is no tag or decal. However, your vehicle must have current California DMV tags and be registered to a Lakewood address.

## **Who do I call for help with questions about my permit?**

Assistance from Lakewood Customer Service staff member during city hall business hours is available by calling 866-9771. Call CityLine any time at 925-4357, extension 906 to listen to a recorded message about obtaining a permit.

### **When can I apply for a permit?**

Lakewood RV and trailer owners can apply online for a free permit at any time. Permits are issued online 24/7. RV and trailer owners can set up a personal account, obtain permits then or later, add or cancel a permit, and change permit dates. The automated system will confirm your permit via e-mail.

Permits also can be obtained by phone or in person at city hall or the Community Safety Center in the Target wing of Lakewood Center mall.

### **When do I need an on-street permit?**

You'll need a permit for your RV or trailer when you park it on the street.

Even with an on-street parking permit, however, RV and trailer owners are required to adhere to all other parking regulations, including no-parking during street sweeping hours.

### **Are slide-in truck campers "recreational vehicles" requiring a permit?**

Truck campers with "cab over" layouts are recreational vehicles and need to have a permit to park on city streets.

To request a permit, go to [www.lakewoodcity.org/parking](http://www.lakewoodcity.org/parking) or call 562-866-9771, extension 2140.

### **Do I need to register the RV or trailer that I am temporarily renting?**

Yes, the recreational vehicle or trailer that you rent will need a parking permit if you plan to park it on the street.

When registering the vehicle online, select the "Yes" option on the pull down menu when asked if the vehicle is registered to a Lakewood address.

### **I own more than one RV. Can I get more than one permit?**

Only two permits will be issued for any one address at any one time, but you can get permits for all your vehicles so long as only two are parked on the street at the same time.

If you need to park an RV that is towing a trailer, you'll need two permits: one for the RV and one for the trailer.

**What is the fee?**

The permits are free.

**How long is a permit for?**

Your permit is for one day, but you can combine up to three permits for a maximum of three consecutive days of permitted on-street parking.

**Can the permits be consecutive?**

The maximum number of consecutive one-day permits is three.

To prevent consecutive permits from turning into on-street storage, at least one day must separate the last day of three consecutive days of permitted parking and the first day of the next permit.

**How many of my RVs and trailers can get permits?**

The system will allow you to get permits for a maximum of two vehicles (for an RV and the boat trailer it tows, for example) at the same address.

Only two permits will be issued for one address, but owners of multiple RVs or trailers can park any of them with a valid permit as long as no more than two are parked at one time.

Also, you can register as many vehicles as you like, but only two can be permitted on street at your address at any one time.

**Can time unused on a permit be transferred to another vehicle?**

Time remaining on a permit cannot be transferred from one vehicle to another.

**What's the penalty for parking without a valid permit?**

RVs and trailers parked on city streets will be cited if their owner does not have a valid on-street parking permit. The citation for parking without a permit is \$48 per day.

**How is the RV parking restriction enforced?**

On-street RV and trailer parking enforcement will be enforced primarily – but not exclusively – on a “complaint basis.”

**Do parking permit rules apply to RVs and trailers not registered to a Lakewood address?**

The city previously banned – with very few exceptions – the on-street parking of non-Lakewood registered RVs and trailers. For more information about non-Lakewood registered RV and trailer parking, call 866-9771 during city hall business hours.