

HEAVY VEHICLE REGULATIONS AND ADVICE

PARKING OF HEAVY VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Parking regulations for heavy vehicles in residential areas are in place to make our suburban streets a safer and more amenable place. Heavy vehicle drivers should be aware that the police or authorised council rangers may issue infringements for illegal parking in these areas, which carries a maximum penalty of \$2,200.

THE REGULATIONS

Rule 200 of the [Australian Road Rules](#) Part 12 Division 6 states:

The driver of a heavy vehicle, or long vehicle, must not stop on a length of road for longer than one hour, unless the driver is permitted to stop on the length of road for longer than one hour by information on or with a traffic control device, or under another law of this jurisdiction.

In this rule:

Heavy vehicle means a vehicle with a gross vehicle mass of 4.5 tonnes or more.

Long vehicle means a vehicle that, together with any load or projection is 7.5m or longer.

PATHS, NATURE STRIPS AND RESERVES

RULE 197 of the [Australian Road Rules](#) states:

A driver must not stop on a bicycle path, footpath, shared path, or dividing strip adjacent to a length of road in a built up area unless:

- (a) the driver stops at a place on a length of road, or in an area, to which a parking control sign applies and the driver is permitted to stop at that place under the Australian Road Rules, or
- (b) the driver is permitted to stop under another law of this jurisdiction.

WHO ENFORCES HEAVY VEHICLE REGULATIONS?

The police or authorised Council Rangers may issue fines for offences under the Australian Road Rules.

The penalty for parking on a foot path or nature strip exceeds \$257 and increases to \$330 plus two (2) demerit points within a school zone.

For further information about parking restrictions, heavy vehicle regulations and advice, contact Council's Rangers on (02) 4732 7543.