

Stopping at or near a bus stop

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Penalty in excess of \$201

Stop at or near bus stop - School Zone

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**Penalty in excess of \$258
+ 2 Demerit Points**

Stop in a bus zone

A driver must not stop in a bus zone unless the driver is driving a public bus (except a public bus of a kind that is not permitted to stop in the bus zone by information on or with the bus zone sign applying to the bus zone) that is:

- (a) dropping off, or picking up, passengers, or
- (b) stopping for the purposes of a regular bus service.



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No Stopping

You must not stop on a length of road to which a No Stopping sign applies. This is for the safety of other vehicles.

Penalty in excess of \$201.00

Loading Zones

You cannot park or stop your vehicle (except authorised vehicles) in a loading zone. This is for the safety of other vehicles.

Penalty in excess of \$143.00

Taxi Zones

You must not stop on a length of road to which a Taxi Zone sign applies. This is for the safety of taxi passengers.

Penalty in excess of \$143.00

Mail Zones

You cannot stop or park your vehicle on a length of road to which a mail zone applies. This is for the safety of other vehicles.

Penalty in excess of \$86.00

Timed Parking

You must not exceed the time limit specified for a parking area. This is for the convenience of other vehicle owners.

Penalty in excess of \$86.00

Stopping on or near a pedestrian crossing (except at an intersection)

You must not stop on a pedestrian crossing that is not at an intersection, or on the road within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing. This is for pedestrian safety.

Penalty in excess of \$258.00



For further information about parking regulations in New South Wales and the Cessnock Local Government Area please contact the
Roads and Traffic Authority
on **13 2213**,
visit www.rta.nsw.gov.au
or contact Council's Ranger Team on 4993 4300.

Parking in

Cessnock LGA

A guide to common parking offences



**An initiative of Cessnock City Council
to promote safety in our community**



THINK ...

before you park in the

Cessnock LGA

Motor vehicles in New South Wales are regulated by the Australian Road Rules.

This provides for the effective movement and free flow of traffic in the state of New South Wales.

The Australian Road Rules provides a number of regulations for the parking of motor vehicles to assist with the safety of other road users, including pedestrians.

This guide will help you understand the road rules about parking and the possible penalties if you do not adhere to those road rules.

Penalties are correct at the time of printing (May 2011) but are subject to change.

Parking on footpaths and in or across driveways



You cannot park on a nature strip, even if two wheels are on the road and whether or not there is a footpath or kerb and guttering. This is for pedestrian access safety.

Penalty in excess of \$86.00



You cannot park on the road blocking a driveway or on the driveway (even your own) outside the property boundary. This is for pedestrian safety.

Penalty in excess of \$86.00

Parking parallel to road side

When you parallel park, you must park your vehicle pointing in the same direction as the flow of traffic closest to your vehicle. This is for traffic flow safety.

Penalty in excess of \$143.00

Parking on the footpath/footway

Under the Australian Road Rules 2008, a driver must not stop on a footpath or nature strip adjacent to a length of road. To do so is an offence.

Cessnock City Council has adopted a Parking Policy to address pedestrian safety and the needs of **all** footway and road users.

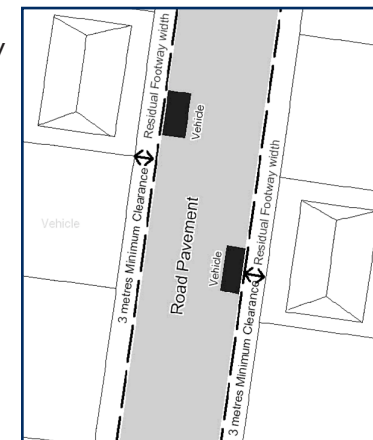
The following policy guideline has been produced to clarify parking on roads **where there is no kerb and guttering**.

1. Motor vehicles must park parallel to the road in the direction of travel.
2. Vehicles must not Double Park.
3. Sufficient residual footway width must be provided between the parked vehicle and the road boundary (front boundary of property) for footway use. A minimum of three (3) metres

must be provided between the property boundary and any vehicles parked parallel to the road.

4. Proposed residual footway widths must have full width clearance of three (3) metres for a minimum height of 2.0 metres at all times.

5. The entire width of residual footway (full three (3) metres) must be trafficable for all footway users under all normal circumstances. This width must not include areas that cannot be trafficked by footway users.



Double Parking

You cannot stop on a road next to other parked cars (even if you have your hazard lights on) unless you are about to park your vehicle. This is for traffic flow safety.

Penalty in excess of \$201.00



Disabled Parking

When the wheelchair logo is on a sign or on a roadway, only vehicles displaying a valid mobility parking scheme authority issued by the Roads and Traffic Authority may park on a length of road or in spaces indicated by the sign.

Penalty in excess of \$430.00

