County Council of Howard County, Maryland

Resolution No. <u>67</u> -2022

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fines and penalties for violations of and administrative costs related to enforcement of Howard County's parking laws, including administrative handling fees for parking citations and citations under the automated red-light enforcement program.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2022.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2022.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted___, Adopted with amendments___, Failed___, Withdrawn___, by the County Council on _____, 2022.

Certified By _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1   **WHEREAS,** Section 21.202 of the Howard County Code requires that the County

2   Council adopt a schedule of fines for violations of county parking laws; and

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4   **WHEREAS,** Section 21.203 of the Howard County Code authorizes the County Council

5   to adopt penalties when an individual fails to pay a fine or fails to file notice of intention to stand

6   trial after receiving a parking citation or an automated red-light citation; and

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8   **WHEREAS**, these rates were last adopted by the passage of Council Resolution No. 76-

9   2021 and there are no changes proposed for Fiscal Year 2023.

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11   **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,

12   Maryland this _____ day of _____, 2022, that it adopts the attached schedules of fines

13   and penalties; and

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15   **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the schedules shall be effective July 1, 2022 and

16   shall continue in effect until changed or repealed by subsequent resolution of the County

17   Council.

SCHEDULE OF FINES FOR VIOLATIONS OF
HOWARD COUNTY PARKING LAWS

These fines are established in accordance with Section 21.202 of the Howard County Code, which requires the County Council to adopt a schedule of fines for violations of county parking laws.

VIOLATION	FINE*

Violations of Section 21.212. Stopping, standing or parking in spaces designated for individuals with disabilities.

(1)	Stopping, standing or parking in designated handicapped space	$348
(2)	Stopping, standing or parking at designated handicapped space when space is already occupied by another vehicle	$348
(3)	Unauthorized display of handicapped permit or use of handicapped space	$348

Violations of Section 21.220. General prohibitions; applicability to disabled vehicles.

Stopping, parking, or leaving vehicle standing, whether the vehicle is attended or unattended, on a highway	$33

Violations of Section 21.221. Stopping, standing or parking prohibited in specified places.

(1)	In front of driveway without owner's consent	$33
(2)	Within an intersection	$33
(3)	Within a tee or modified tee turnaround	$33
(4)	On a sidewalk or pathway	$33
(5)	On a pedestrian or school crosswalk	$33
(6)	Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb	$33
(7)	Alongside or opposite any street excavation	$33
(8)	On any bridge or other elevated structure	$33
(9)	Within a highway tunnel	$33
(10)	On a highway entrance or exit ramp	$33
(11)	On Board of Education property where marked	$33
(12)	Where prohibited by official sign or curb markings	$48
(13)	Within 30 feet of official signal, sign or traffic-control device	$48
(14)	On the roadway side of any stopped or parked vehicle	$33
(15)	On the traveled portion of any roadway	$33
(16)	Within 100 feet of an approach of an intersection	$33
(17)	In a no-parking or tow-away zone	$33
(18)	Adjacent to the center island of a cul-de-sac	$33
(19)	Except as specifically authorized by Section 21.207 of this Subtitle, in a space posted for a plug-in vehicle	$33
(20)	In a bike lane	$33

Violations of Section 21.222. Parking prohibited in specified places.
Parking a vehicle:
(1)	Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant	$48
(2)	Within 20 feet of a crosswalk	$33
(3)	Within 20 feet of the a fire station entrance or exit	$33
(4)	Within 75 feet opposite a fire station entrance or exit	$33
(5)	On a curve or brow of a hill in a no-passing zone	$33
(6)	Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing	$33
(7)	Outside painted lines designating a parking space	$33
(8)	That is untagged or disabled on a highway for more than 18 hours	$33

Violations of Section 21.223. Unattended motor vehicle.
(1)	Leaving vehicle with engine running or key in ignition	$33
(2)	Parking on grade without turning front wheels toward curb	$33

Violations of Section 21.224. Wheels parallel to curb.
(1)	Stopping or parking with right wheels not parallel to curb	$33
(2)	Stopping or parking farther than 12 inches from curb	$33

Violations of Section 21.225. Parking on one-way highway.
Stopping or parking farther than 12 inches from curb $33

Violations of Section 21.226. Curb loading zone.
(1)	Standing in passenger loading zone for more than 30 minutes	$38
(2)	Standing in freight loading zone for more than 30 minutes	$38

Violations of Section 21.227. Stopping, standing or parking of buses.
(1)	Parking or stopping bus on highway other than bus stand	$33
(2)	Parking or stopping bus farther than 18 inches from curb	$33

Violations of Section 21.228. Stopping, standing or parking of taxicabs.
Stopping, standing or parking on highway other than at taxicab stand $33

Violations of Section 21.229. Restricted use of bus and taxicab stands
by unauthorized vehicles.
Unauthorized stopping, standing or parking at bus or taxicab stand $33

Violations of Section 21.230. Parking time limit on certain streets.
Parking for longer than posted time limit $33

Violations of Section 21.231. Stopping, standing or parking in
special parking spaces.
Parking in space reserved for judge or county official $33

Violations of Section 21.232. Parking commercial motor vehicles
in residential zones.
Parking commercial motor vehicle in residential area for more than 6 hours $33

Violations of Section 21.233. Parking in alleys or narrow streets.
(1)   Parking in alley leaving less than 18 feet width for traffic $33
(2)   Stopping, standing or parking in alley, blocking adjacent driveway $33

Violations of Section 21.234. Parking on commercial private property.
Stopping, standing or parking on commercial property after warning $33

Violations of Section 21.235. Fire lanes.
Stopping, standing or parking in fire lane $148

Violations of Section 21.236. Parking meter violations; expired time.
(1)   Using more than one designated space $23
(2)   Expired meter or failure to pay meter $23
(3)   Parking for longer than posted time limit $33

Violations of Section 21.237. Angle parking.
Not parking at angle where required, or in violation of angle parking permit $33

Violations of Section 21.238. Parking detached trailers and
semi-trailers on highway or county property.
Parking detached trailer or semidetached trailer on highway or county property $33

* All fines are in addition to $2 in costs payable to the County in an uncontested parking or impounding case, in accordance with Section 7-301 of the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

ADMINISTRATIVE HANDLING FEE AND PENALTY
FOR UNPAID PARKING CITATIONS AND AUTOMATED
RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT CITATIONS

Section 21.203 of the County Code authorizes the County Council to establish an administrative handling fee charged to individuals who receive a parking citation or an automated red light enforcement citation and fail to pay the appropriate fine and fail to file an intention to stand trial, and a penalty in the event the MVA is notified of the failure.

Failure to pay fine.

$10.00 for each month or fraction of a month until the citation is satisfied.

Penalty in the event the Motor Vehicle Administration is notified of a person's failure either to pay a fine or to file a notice of intent to stand trial for a citation.

$10.00 per notification