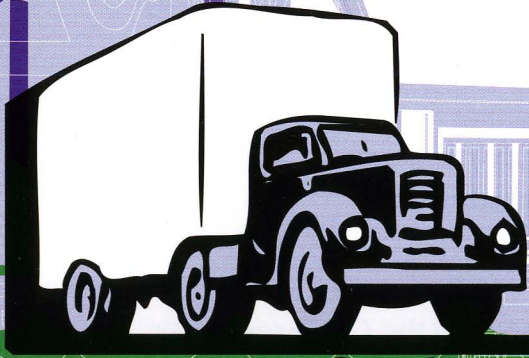


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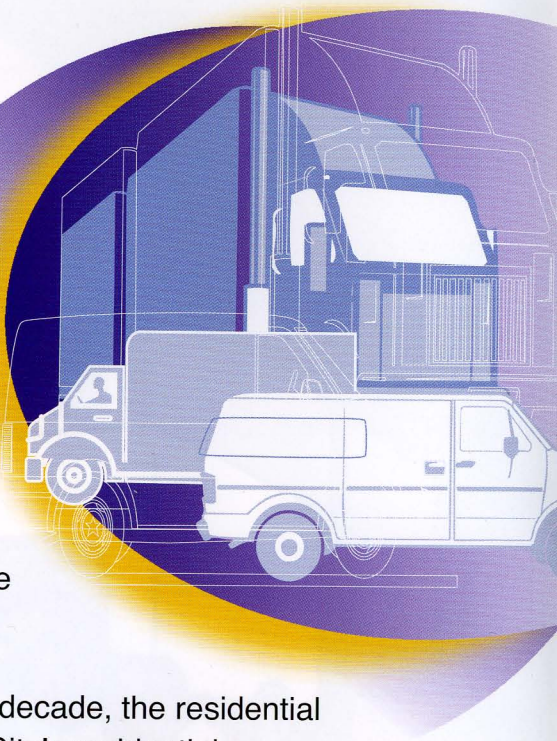


# ***Commercial Vehicle Regulations in Residential Neighborhoods***

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**F**or many years, the City's Municipal Code has banned "trucks" from being stored in residential neighborhoods in order to preserve the residential character of these neighborhoods.



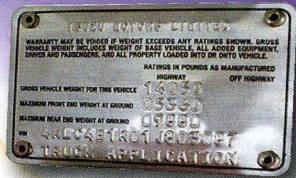
Over the last decade, the residential character of the City's residential neighborhoods has been threatened by an intrusion of large commercial vehicles. Some of these vehicles are "take home" company vehicles capable of being dispatched from residences during the night. Others are related to a now common business time-saving feature of allowing an employee to take home a company vehicle at the end of the work day so that the employee does not have to return to the place of employment the following morning, but can proceed directly to a job site.

Given these factors, City regulations were revised to define the types and kinds of commercial vehicles that are threatening the residential character of the City's residential neighborhoods.

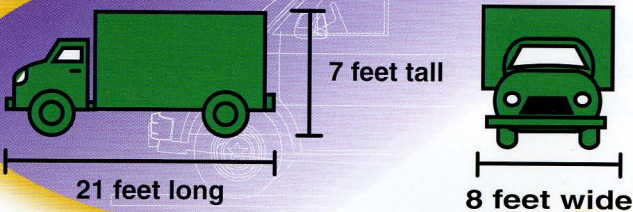
# A Commercial Vehicle May Not Be Stored on Residential Property If It Violates Any of The Following Three Regulations:

1. The Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of the commercial vehicle is in excess of 10,000 pounds. What is "Gross Vehicle Weight Rating?" It is set by the manufacturer as the total:

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Weight of the vehicle} \\ + \quad \quad \quad \text{All fluids} \\ + \text{The maximum load} \\ \hline \text{"G.V.W.R."} \end{array}$$



2. The size of the commercial vehicle is "outside the box" – it exceeds eight feet (8') in width or seven feet (7') in height, or twenty-one feet (21') in length.



3. The commercial vehicle is not kept or stored within a fully enclosed garage or screened by a wall or fence from visibility from the public right-of-way.

## Other Specific Prohibited Commercial Vehicles

1. A "tank vehicle"
2. A motor vehicle required to display placards due to the transport of hazardous materials.
3. A "general public paratransit vehicle"
4. A "paratransit vehicle"
5. A "transit bus"
6. A "school bus"
7. A "school pupil activity bus"
8. A "semitrailer"
9. A pickup truck with a "utility body"
10. A "stake bed truck"
11. A "utility trailer"
12. A "watering truck"
13. A "water tender vehicle"
14. "Special construction equipment" vehicles
15. A "tow truck"
16. A "tow dolly"
17. A "tour bus"
18. A "trailer bus"
19. A "truck tractor"
20. An "armored vehicle"
21. A "taxicab"



## The Ban on Commercial Vehicles in Residential Neighborhoods Does Not Apply to:

1. Vehicles making pickups or deliveries of goods, wares and merchandise from or to any building or structure; except when the building or structure is used as a home occupation as defined in SAMC 41-192.1.
2. Vehicles delivering materials to be used in a bonafide repair or construction of any building or structure.



### NOTE:

*Vans and unmodified pickup trucks are NOT defined as commercial vehicles. They may be parked on residential property if they do not violate the "GVWR" or size regulations.*

*Call **Community Preservation** at 667-2780 to report commercial vehicles illegally parked or stored on residential properties!*

# What About Commercial Vehicles Parking on Public Streets?

Vehicles over six feet (6') high (including any load thereon) may not be parked within one hundred feet (100') of any intersection that is posted with signs that prohibit their presence. Call Public Works at 647-5673 to request your street be evaluated for posting.

A vehicle with a GVWR over 10,000 pounds cannot be parked more than two (2) hours on a public street. **This ban does not apply to:**



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2. A vehicle delivering materials to be used in a bonafide repair or construction of any building or structure.

## NOTE:

***Mid-size school buses do NOT have a "GVWR" over 10,000 pounds! They may be parked on a residential street!***

***Call Santa Ana Police Department at 834-4211 to report commercial vehicle street parking violations!***