



# Felder's Tips For Avoiding Parking Tickets

New York City issues approximately 11.5 million parking tickets a year. That is upwards of 31,000 parking tickets a day, or 3 tickets every second. Here's what you need to know to avoid those vexing tickets.

**Q:** I parked and ran into a store to pick up an order that was ready to go. It took less than three minutes for that ticket to appear on my windshield! Don't I have a five-minute grace period?

**A:** I sponsored the 5-minute grace period bill and guided it into law, so I am happy to explain it to you. The 5-minute grace period gives drivers who are parked legally an extra 5 minutes past the expiration time on their parking meter receipt (or other posted time regulations, like Alternate Side Parking). To park legally, you have to pay and display the muni-meter receipt. You can use the grace period as a defense if you get a ticket

within five minutes of the expiration time.

**Q:** I parked in a School Zone while schools were closed for remote learning. If there are no students in school, why did I get a ticket for No Standing in a School Zone?

**A:** You are allowed to park in a school zone when school is in recess. However, a school may be open for staff or school activities during holidays, summer recess or remote learning. During those times, parking restrictions remain in effect, even if students are not attending. Always verify school closures at 311.

**Q:** What is the difference between NO STOPPING, NO STANDING and NO PARKING signs?

	NO STOPPING	NO STANDING	NO PARKING
Can I stop to drop off or pick up passengers?	No	Yes	Yes
Can I stop to load or unload a package or merchandise at curbside?	No	No	Yes
Is waiting allowed?	No	No	No

## Remember:

- One authorized sign anywhere on a block, no matter how far away, is sufficient notice of the restriction(s) in effect on that block.
- Any temporary sign posted by an authorized agency supersedes all other posted rules.
- All of NYC is a designated tow-away zone. If you don't find your car where you parked it, call 311 or the local NYPD precinct to check if it was towed.

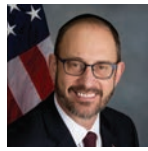


For years, unsuspecting New Yorkers were arrested for driving with a suspended license due to unpaid fines and a maze of bureaucracy. I am pleased to have co-sponsored a bill that ended that practice by law!

Under the new law, this is no longer an arrestable offense. It does away

with the exorbitant suspension lift fees that had to be paid on every suspension in order to restore driving privileges. It also gives the courts appropriate leeway to reduce or waive the remaining fines and fees. Additionally, the Department of Motor Vehicles is now required to send court date reminders and offer affordable payment plans, limited to two percent of monthly net income.

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## FREE SHREDDING EVENT

**Wednesday,  
March 17**

### FLATBUSH

10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Avenue I and East 15th (Dead End)

### BORO PARK

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
48th St. and 19th Ave. (Dead End)

Masks and social distancing required.



## 2021 New York City Parking Calendar

**March 28-29 - Sunday-Monday**  
Passover – 1st Day and 2nd Day  
Alternate Side Suspended

**April 1 - Thursday**  
Holy Thursday  
Alternate Side Suspended

**April 2 - Friday**  
Good Friday  
Alternate Side Suspended

**April 3-4 - Saturday-Sunday**  
Passover – 7th Day and 8th Day  
Alternate Side Suspended

**April 29 - Thursday**  
Holy Thursday (Orthodox)  
Alternate Side Suspended

**April 30 - Friday**  
Good Friday (Orthodox)  
Alternate Side Suspended

**May 13 - Thursday**  
Solemnity of the Ascension  
Alternate Side Suspended

**May 13-15 - Thursday-Saturday**  
Idul-Fitr (Eid Al-Fitr)  
Alternate Side Suspended

**May 17-18 - Monday-Tuesday**  
Shavuot – (2 Days)  
Alternate Side Suspended

**May 31 - Monday**  
Memorial Day\*  
Major Legal Holiday Rules in Effect

**June 19 - Saturday**  
Juneteenth  
Alternate Side Suspended

**July 4-5 - Sunday-Monday**  
Independence Day\*  
Major Legal Holiday Rules in Effect

**July 19-21 - Monday-Wednesday**  
Idul-Adha (Eid Al-Adha)  
Alternate Side Suspended

**August 15 - Sunday**  
Feast of the Assumption  
Alternate Side Suspended

**September 6 - Monday**  
Labor Day\*  
Major Legal Holiday Rules in Effect

**September 7-8 - Tuesday-Wednesday**  
Rosh Hashanah  
Alternate Side Suspended

**September 16 - Thursday**  
Yom Kippur  
Alternate Side Suspended

**September 21-22 - Tuesday-Wednesday**  
Succoth – (2 Days)  
Alternate Side Suspended

**September 28 - Tuesday**  
Shemini Atzereth  
Alternate Side Suspended

**September 29 - Wednesday**  
Simchas Torah  
Alternate Side Suspended

**October 11 - Monday**  
Columbus Day  
Alternate Side Suspended

**November 1 - Monday**  
All Saints' Day  
Alternate Side Suspended

**November 2 - Tuesday**  
Election Day  
Alternate Side Suspended

**November 4 - Thursday**  
Diwali  
Alternate Side Suspended

**November 11 - Thursday**  
Veterans Day  
Alternate Side Suspended

**November 25 - Thursday**  
Thanksgiving\*  
Major Legal Holiday Rules in Effect

**December 8 - Wednesday**  
Immaculate Conception  
Alternate Side Suspended

**December 24 - 25**  
Friday-Saturday  
Christmas Day (Observed)\*  
Major Legal Holiday Rules in Effect

**December 31 - Friday**  
New Year's Day '22 (Observed)\*  
Major Legal Holiday Rules in Effect

Alternate Side Parking or ASP (Street Cleaning Rules): Most Alternate Side Parking signs are clearly marked with the "P" symbol with the broom through it. Some signs are the traditional 3-hour ones, but others can vary considerably. Some metered parking zones have Alternate Side Parking rules. When Alternate Side Parking is suspended for a holiday or other reason, the parking meters remain in effect.

\*Major Legal Holiday Rules: The city suspends ASP rules on the legal and religious holidays listed in this brochure. No Stopping, No Standing and No Parking regulations are also suspended, except where those regulations are normally in effect seven days a week (for example: "No Standing Anytime"). Parking meter regulations are also suspended. On all other holidays, only street cleaning rules are suspended.  
Email Alerts and Twitter: Sign up at [custserv@dot.nyc.gov](mailto:custserv@dot.nyc.gov) for email alerts or to follow on Twitter,

go to <https://twitter.com/NYCASP> or you can follow NYC DOT on Facebook. You can also call 311 for the current alternate side parking status.

**Parking Tickets:** Parking tickets may be paid online at [www1.nyc.gov/site/finance/pay-now/pay](http://www1.nyc.gov/site/finance/pay-now/pay). page or they may be paid by mail or in person. Parking tickets can no longer be paid by phone, but if you need phone assistance, call 311.

**Reminder:** Parking meters are not in effect Sundays. Alternate Side Parking regulations may be suspended from time to time because of snow emergencies, inclement weather conditions or other emergencies. Visit [nyc.gov/dot](http://nyc.gov/dot) or dial 311 for further information or log on to [www1.nyc.gov/311](http://www1.nyc.gov/311). TTY deaf or hearing-impaired, dial 212-504-4115.  
Coronavirus (COVID-19) Alert <https://portal311.nyc.gov/article/?kanumber=KA-01026>