

SIDEWALK & STREET REGULATIONS

Village of Stamford

Local Law # 1 of 2025

For the Public Safety, be it enacted by the Board of Trustees in the Village of Stamford as follows:

Section 1- Purpose.

The Village of Stamford boasts of being a walkable Village. Streets and sidewalks are the key to this valuable attribute. To promote this, the Village of Stamford Board of Trustees enacts this Local Law providing for the regulation and control of the sidewalks and streets of the Village of Stamford to ensure the safety, general welfare and health of persons working, living and visiting in the Village of Stamford.

Section 2- Obstruction of Sidewalks.

- 1- No person shall place or leave any obstruction on, or block in any way, any sidewalk of the Village of Stamford.
- 2- Each property owner(s) is responsible for preventing vegetation on their property from overgrowing/overhanging and obstructing/preventing safe passage of Village sidewalks.
 - a) If a property is found to be causing an issue with safe passage IAW this Section, a warning/request to correct, either verbal or written, shall be made to the Owner(s), or their Agent(s), by an authorized representative of the Village of Stamford.
 - b) If the property Owner(s), or their Agent(s) fail to cure or correct such a situation within seven (7) days of notification, then:
 - i- The issue will be remedied by the Village of Stamford Department of Public Works, i.e. the Village Crew.
 - ii- The property owner will be considered in violation of this law, and an Appearance Ticket will be issued to the Owner(s), or their Agent(s).
 - iii- If found guilty, the Owners(s) will then be responsible to reimburse the Village of Stamford for the costs of remediation, plus any penalty imposed under Section 7 of this law.
- 3- While the Village Department of Public Works (DPW) normally clears Village sidewalks during the season of ice, frost & snow, as a courtesy to the residents of the Village. It is ultimately the responsibility of each property owner(s) or their agent(s), to ensure that:
 - a) Ice, snow & frost are cleared from the sidewalks directly in front of their g their respective property.
 - b) See Village of Stamford **Snow Removal Law** for details

Section 3- Obstruction of Crosswalks

- 1- No person shall stop or stand with a vehicle in their care or control on any crosswalk in the Village of Stamford.
- 2- No person shall place or leave any obstruction on, or block in any way, any cross walk of the Village of Stamford.

Section 4- Parking/Standing on Sidewalks.

No person shall at any time park or stand any vehicle, on the sidewalks of the Village of Stamford. except expressly for the purpose of loading or unloading such vehicle; this activity is permitted for no more than fifteen (15) minutes.

Section 5 – Parking in or Obstructing Handicapped Parking Spaces

- 1- No person shall park a vehicle in their care or control in any marked handicap accessible parking space of the Village of Stamford without a legal permit to do so.
- 2- No person shall obstruct, or block in any way, any marked handicap accessible parking space of the Village of Stamford.

Section 6- Parking on Village Streets & Parking Lots

While more specifically covered under separate Village Law, in general

- 1- Parking is permitted only in designated locations of the Village Streets.
- 2- No person, shall park in any location specifically marked as no parking
- 3- No person shall block or obstruct, for any reason other than with the permission of the Village of Stamford, any parking location on the streets or parking lots of the Village of Stamford.

Section 7- Enforcement & Penalties for Offenses.

The Code Enforcement Officer has authority and responsibility for enforcement of this Law and its provisions; and has the authority to issue appearance tickets for violations of this Law.

In addition to any costs levied under Section 2, Any person or persons who shall be found guilty of violation of any provisions of this Law shall be subject to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than two-hundred and fifty (\$250.00). Each day of a violation of any section of this Law shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 10- Separability.

Each separate provision of this Local Law shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein, and if any provisions shall be deemed invalid, all other provisions hereof shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 11- Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.