

TITLE 9: VEHICLE CODE
DIVISION 5: RULES OF THE ROAD

§ 5657. Removal of Unauthorized Vehicles From Parking Areas Designated for Persons With Disabilities; Designation of Parking Areas.

(a) Businesses or privately owned facilities that provide goods or services to the public and government agencies shall provide accessible parking spaces as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards for Accessible Designs (28 CFR Part 36).

(b) Any parking space designated in accordance with [9 CMC § 5671\(a\)\(5\)](#) shall be for the exclusive use of individuals in possession of a special license plate or placard issued pursuant to [9 CMC § 5653](#).

(c) Accessible parking spaces for cars shall be identified by a sign with the international symbol of accessibility mounted high enough so it can be seen while a vehicle is parked in the space.

(d) Van-accessible parking spaces shall be identified by a sign with “van-accessible” and the international symbol of accessibility mounted high enough so the sign can be seen when a vehicle is parked in the space.

(e) Accessible parking spaces shall be painted or marked the color of blue.

(f) Any business or privately owned facility that provides goods or services to the public that fails to designate the required accessible parking spaces within 90 days of the effective date of [Public Law 17-65](#) [Dec. 20, 2011] shall pay a civil fine of \$100 per day until the required accessible parking spaces are designated in accordance with this statute. The Office of the Attorney General shall bring such necessary actions in the name of the Commonwealth to enforce this section and collect these fines, and the Commonwealth Superior Court shall have jurisdiction over such civil actions.

(g) The Department of Public Safety shall regularly patrol parking areas in which parking spaces for persons with disabilities are designated or required to be designated for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this article.

(h) The Department of Public Safety shall cause the removal of a vehicle from a designated accessible parking space unless a special identification placard issued pursuant to [9 CMC § 5653](#), or its foreign equivalent, is displayed on the vehicle.

(i) This section shall not restrict the privilege granted to persons with disabilities by [9 CMC § 5652](#).

Source: [PL 8-35](#), § 5 (§ 5656), modified; repealed and reenacted by [PL 17-65](#) § 2(c) (Dec. 20, 2011), modified; amended by [PL 19-79](#) § 7 (Jan. 16, 2017), modified.

Commission Comment: The Commission inserted the bracketed information and replaced “this Act” with [PL 17-65](#) in subsection (f) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(d\)](#).

In codifying [PL 19-79](#), the Commission changed “Section 5(a) (5)” to “9 CMC § 5671(a)(5)” in (b) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(a\), \(g\)](#).