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Overnight Parking Prohibited in Belmont

Occasional Consideration Possible

Belmont, MA-- Overnight parking is prohibited on all of Belmont's public and private ways. Belmont General By-Laws Article 21.2(g) states, "Parking for over one hour between the hours of 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. is prohibited."

Residents are reminded that municipal parking lots in Waverley Square, Cushing Square, and Belmont Center may be used for overnight parking provided vehicles are removed before 7 a.m. Parking lots for the Belmont Public Schools are also available for overnight parking, but vehicles must be removed from these lots before 7 a.m. The lot at the Chenery Middle School may not be used for this purpose until after 9 p.m.

Though the by-law provides no exceptions from the overnight parking ban, as a matter of discretion police officers will take into consideration cases where there has been a death in the family or other emergency, or if the driveway is being paved. To ask for consideration, a person should contact the officer-in-charge at the police station on the evening when overnight street parking is needed. The telephone number for the officer-in-charge is 617-484-1215, ext. 105.

In addition to the overnight parking ban, residents must remember during the winter that vehicles may be towed if they obstruct snow plowing or snow and ice removal on the streets or in the town's public or school parking lots.