

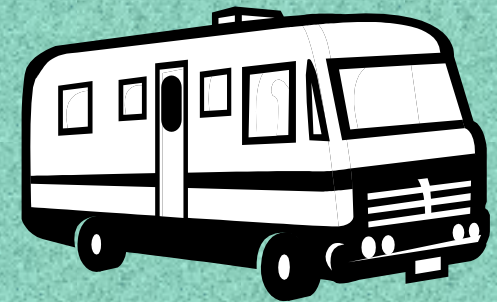
Setback- the distance required by law between the edge of a building and the property line.

For further information, please contact the City of Fort Smith Neighborhood Services Department.

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- By email at [NeighborhoodServices@FortSmithar.gov](mailto:NeighborhoodServices@FortSmithar.gov)
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# Recreational and Utility Vehicle Parking



A guide to the parking of recreational and utility vehicles on residential streets and properties.

**Effective October 1, 2008 all recreational and utility vehicles will be subject to parking regulations.**

The Fort Smith Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2002 by the Fort Smith Board of Directors provides goals, policies, and land planning principles for guiding the future of Fort Smith.

One of the main goals of the Comprehensive Plan is to protect neighborhoods by implementing development ordinances.

In July 2008 the Board of Directors adopted an ordinance regarding the parking of recreational and utility vehicles on residential property and streets.

The new parking ordinance is an extension of the Fort Smith Comprehensive Plan developed to protect existing neighborhoods and create strong new ones.

The Ordinance prohibits parking or leaving unattended any recreational or utility vehicle on:

- Any residential street or right-of-way
- Front or exterior side yard setback areas of property

**All vehicles parked properly shall be maintained in a clean, well-kept state which does not detract from the appearance of the surrounding area.**

**Applies to:**

**Travel trailers, folding tent trailers, motor homes, truck campers, horse trailers, boat trailers with or without boats, and utility trailers.**

**Variance Procedures**

- Property owners can appeal for a variance to the Property Owners appeal board.
- Property owner must show hardship.

**Exemptions:**

Recreational and Utility Vehicles:

- May be temporarily parked in building setbacks or street right-of-way for no more than four days.
- May be parked under a carport or structure approved by the Board of Zoning Adjustment or that exists as a non-conforming structure.
- Guests may reside in a recreational and utility vehicle on the host's premises for a period not longer than two weeks in any ninety day period. During this period the recreational and utility vehicle can be parked in the building's setback areas.