

PARKING A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE BUS, TRAILER, BOAT OR CARAVAN

Here are answers to some common questions received by our Shire Rangers regarding parking on verges. We hope you find this information of assistance.

Please be aware a commercial vehicle, bus or a trailer, boat or caravan unattached to a motor vehicle cannot be parked on a verge, whether the driver of the vehicle is the occupier of the property or not.

Can I store/keep my commercial vehicle, bus, trailer, boat or caravan on the road or on my verge/nature strip?

No, you are not able to park a boat/caravan/trailer on any portion of the road or verge/nature strip while it is unattached to a motor vehicle, unless it is being loaded or unloaded within a reasonable timeframe with goods or merchandise collected from or delivered to the premises.

'VERGE' means the portion of a thoroughfare which lies between the boundary of a road and the adjacent property line but does not include a footpath.

Can I park a trailer, boat or caravan on the road/carriageway adjacent to my home?

If the road/carriageway adjacent to your home is not subject to sign posted parking control signs (Eg. "No Parking" or "No Standing") then you can park as long as it is attached to a registered vehicle and the vehicle and trailer combination are moved/driven from the parked location every 24 hours.

This is to ensure government and corporate entities have access to the road surface.

Why do Councils impose such Parking Local Laws?

These local laws exist to protect the safety of residents as well as visitors to and users of our roads and footpaths.

The laws assist with:

- Access – So that everyone who needs to walk, ride, cycle or traverse the verge can do so;
- Visibility - So that residents can see when exiting adjacent driveways or properties;
- Safety – For the resident, those using the vehicle and for other users of the area.

How will I know if my vehicle/verge is affected?

Residents will be advised in writing if they need to make alternative arrangements for the storage of these items. There will be a period of two (2) weeks for residents to remove these from their verges and if this doesn't occur, infringements may be issued or the vehicle impounded.

What will happen if I do not remove my untethered vehicle?

Council Rangers/authorised Council Officers may issue infringement notices with a \$55 daily penalty. Failure to move untethered vehicles will lead to potential impoundment and disposal.

You can view our Parking & Parking Facilities Local Law 2009 via the Shire of Dardanup website – <https://www.dardanup.wa.gov.au/council/local-laws/>