

BY LAW

Mutare (Municipal Traffic Laws) Offences and Fixed Penalties (Amendment Regulations (1999))

The complete description and details of the above By-law can be found at City Council in the Rates hall under the traffic department. However we have tried to give you a basic understanding of the law and why there is an increase of clamping, fining and vehicle removals in the city.

Most of the areas in the Central Business District are “clamping zones”. Thus a pre-paid disk is required. It is necessary for every vehicle being parked in the City Centre and surrounding to have a PARKING DISC. Discs cost \$ 10 for a 20 page booklet with each disc valued for ½ an hour (30 mins). For 1.00 you can purchase 2 discs valued at ½ an hour each disc, giving you an hour worth of parking.

Discs, single and booklets can be purchased from the following outlets namely:- City Council rates hall; D90 downtown; Pitamber; Vendors outside Spar; Vendors outside TM Supermarket; Electrical shop next to CW Electrical; Fazona shop; MFS and AA of Zimbabwe.

The major clamping zone's are 2nd Street, “C” and “B” Avenues, both to the Eastern and Western area of the Roads.

Clamping and Fines

The minimum fine for parking or other violation is \$ 30 and the maximum fine is \$ 200. Basically the description of your offense will determine the cost of the fine. Please note if you are clamped, there's a clamping fee and then a fine on top of that.

Heavy Vehicles

Heavy vehicles are prohibited from entering the CBD thus relevant signage for prohibition have been erected upon entering the city.

- Vehicles coming from Harare, upon entering the Christmas pass must turn right into Simon Mazorodze Road (a fire bridge) and then into Railway street (near coca cola company).
- Vehicles from Mozambique or Chimanimani should use Beira bridge road and turn into Railway street then Railway Avenue and into Simon Mazorodze road.
- Commuter Omnibuses
- Can only [park in designated ranking areas with ranking discs.

Area to purchase pre-pad discs

- Civic Centre
- D90 – Herbert Chitepo
- Bhadella Wool shop Herbert Chitepo street
- Valentina Shop Herbert Chitepo street
- Favourdale enterprises Herbert Chitepo street
- Mutare Farm supplies next to NMB
- Burger Bar second street
- Clear White shop second street

Stella – A vendor (newspaper) between Spar and Meikles.

State Lottery – next to TM vegetable vendors

Electrical shop opposite Bakers Inn

Prepaid Fees
50c – 30min
\$1 – hours

Any vehicles found breaking this law, will be prosecuted.

Corrupt Officials

If in the event the officer serving you asks for or indicates for a bribe, it would be in your best interest to take his name and officer number and make an immediate report to his superior on number 020 64412 ext 249.

REMEMBER – It is better to be found on the right side of the Law, when the Law comes calling.

FRONTPAGE

ARTICLE 5

Rates Charges

We have had an overwhelming influx of people requesting information on how rates are charged. We will try and give you the resident understanding on this matter. Please note that this is basic, for more information or for individual complaints, please contact the City Council Rates Hall 02 64412 ext 316-318.

We have had some discrepancies in areas such as the New Fairbridge Park extension, due to the fact that the area should be billed as Florida and not Fair bridge, depending on which side of the zone the units fall under. However we are dealing with each issue as it comes up. We also have queries from one or two residents in Murambi and Tiger Kloof, which is mostly due to which side of the Zone they fall under. As with Fair bridge Park, we are dealing with each situation as it arises.

Domestic

Minimum stand size for each zone.

Domestic rate able areas are based on the size of the stands. These vary from suburb to suburb.

LOW DENSITY

ZONE	CHARGE	AREA	MINIMUM STAND SIZE
ZONE A	\$ 25	Murambi	1 598
ZONE B	\$ 22.50	Borderville, Part Morningside	1151
ZONE C	\$ 22.50	Fair Bridge Park	1 550
ZONE D	\$ 20	Hospital Hill, Part Morning side	1 233
ZONE E	\$ 17.50	Greenside, Palmerstone	1030
ZONE F	\$ 22.50	Part Avenues	1663
ZONE G	\$17.50	Darlington	1492
ZONE H	\$ 15.00	Part Avenues	595
ZONE I	\$ 12	Westlea, Florida, Part Yeovil	612
ZONE J	\$17.50	Part Yeovil, Light industry Residential	1736
ZONE K	\$15	Weirmouth, Fern Valley	10 000

HIGH DENSITY

ZONE	CHARGE	AREA	MINIMUM STAND SIZE
ZONE 1A	\$ 6	Chikanga	300square metres
ZONE 2A	\$ 3.50	Dangamvura	300
ZONE 3A	\$ 3.50	Hobhouse	150
ZONE 4B	\$ 3.00	Sakubva	140
ZONE 4A	\$ 3.00	Sakubva	200

Commercial and Industrial

The values in the current roll plus the unit multiplier could not give the desired rate value, so estimation on the values had to be done with the minimum being \$ 150. Council is currently working on the value on the existing roll. The changes are aimed at lining up with all our existing by-laws with regards to how rates are being charged. Corner shops are also billed as commercial, but have been reviewed, to a more acceptable rate based on the fact that they are a small business.

Industrial service stands are also small, but have also been billed under commercial. However they too have been given rates that are affordable. So in essence, we have departed from the original Roll for 2001, which falls short of the new developments in the city.

City councils Challenges

We will in the near future have to re-look at the new roll, so that it is consistent with the current Master Plan project.