# Appeals Tip Sheet by Violation Code

# (REASONS NOT CONSIDERED GROUNDS FOR AN APPEAL)

101-Handicapped Parking Restricted to vehicles with a current and readable HP plate or placard

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) makes it clear that the vehicle shouldn't have been parked there; HP plate or placard is expired; Didn't display placard so it was readable; No HP permit or plate; Forgot to display the placard; Didn't see the HP sign/symbol; Handicapped placard is not an official one (it is a copy)

(Exception: Citation will be voided <u>once</u> if a valid placard for the vehicle is produced or if an expired placard is turned in to Park Plymouth)

declared snow emergencies for blocking the roadway against

plowing/sanding. Not able to appeal this.

103-Overnight Parking Issued by the PPD for overnight parking where signage

indicates "No Overnight Parking". Not able to appeal this.

104-Double Parked Issued by the PPD for parking in the street next to a vehicle in a

parking space. Not able to appeal this.

105-Within 10' of Fire Hydrant Town regulations require a distance of at least 10' so the Fire

Department can get to the hydrant

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) shows that the vehicle was less than 10' away from the fire hydrant; Says they did not see the fire hydrant.

106-Wrong Direction Town regulations prohibit parallel parking on the side facing

the direction of travel

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) shows that the vehicle was parked in the wrong direction; Claims there is no law that it isn't allowed; Says that other cars were doing it; Says there is no sign prohibiting it

107-Obstructing Sidewalk/Crosswalk

Town regulations prohibit parking with any portion of the vehicle extending onto a sidewalk or into a crosswalk

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) shows that part of the vehicle is over a sidewalk or into a crosswalk; Says the vehicle was only partly on the sidewalk; Says they did not see the lines for the crosswalk

#### 109-Restricted or Prohibited Area

Any hashed marked area such as a loading zone, a sidewalk, grass area, lawn. State Boat ramp area without a trailer. Drew Rd & Rocky Pond Rd are noted as Conservation area(s).

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) makes it clear that the vehicle is parked into a hashed marked area, on a grass area, or has no trailer where a trailer is required; Claims there was no sign prohibiting it; says they have a beach sticker; Says they are not a local, so they did not know; Says they didn't see that it was an EV station. Parked in a loading zone and NOT actively loading.

#### 110-Within 20' of Intersection

Any intersection of one or more ways, any intersection of ways with a railroad, and any place along any way at which drivers are to be controlled by traffic control signals. Boundaries shall be the same as for an intersecting way.

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) makes it clear that that the vehicle was less than 20' from an intersection; Says there was enough room for vehicles to get around them;

## 111-Overtime Parking

There are 4-hour, 2-hour, 20-minute and 15-minute timed zones. MEO notes the space and the stem placement of a tire. The MEO returns regularly to review the noted times and stem placements and locations of all vehicles.

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) shows the stem placement and the location of the vehicle and documents that the time limit had been exceeded by more than 5 minutes; Says they moved but came back to the same space; Claims they were only a few minutes over: Says they got stuck at work.

#### 112-Over 1' from Curb

On the roadway in a business or residential district where parking is permitted both wheels on the right side of the vehicle must be within twelve (12) inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except where angle parking is required.

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) shows that the vehicle was over 1' from the curb; Claims the vehicle MUST be so far away from curb that it impedes the flow of approaching traffic: Says they thought they were over enough for cars to pass.

#### 113-Bus Stop or Taxi Zone

Issued mainly by the Plymouth Police for parking where signage indicates "Bus Stop/Taxi Zone." Not able to appeal this.

Bus Stop is an area in the roadway set aside for the berthing and parking of buses and shuttles.

Taxicab stand is an area in the roadway in which certain taxicabs are required to park while waiting to be engaged.

# 115-Meter Violation-Overtime

Paid Parking is 7 days a week including holidays, April 1<sup>st</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-7pm. A Parking Meter means any device or App used for regulating parking in Plymouth on a public way or in an off-street parking area used for public parking. Each parking meter installed shall indicate by proper legend the legal parking time permitted and at the expiration of such period shall indicate illegal or overtime parking.

Appeal denied if: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) documents the violation; Says the meter wouldn't take their card; Says the App wasn't working; Used the wrong App; They just ran in for a second; Didn't think I had to pay; Message from app was "Parking Restricted"; This is my first violation; Says they didn't see the meter; I didn't think you charged on Sunday's; there were plenty open spaces, so I didn't think I had to pay; The vehicle near me didn't get one, but I did; The meter was only expired by two minutes; I am a delivery driver, so I am exempt from paying; I didn't know it was pre-pay; I thought paid parking stops after Labor Day; I didn't see where to pay; I gave the meter all my change; there was a sun glare, so I couldn't read the meter screen; There was no place to insert coins; The whale watch/fishing trip took longer than expected. The sign says parking is free for the first 2/4 hours.

## 116-Improper Use of Marked Space

Issued for not parking a vehicle within the lines on a road surface or other markings intended to identify spaces for parking.

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) makes it clear that the vehicle was in two or more parking spaces; says the lines are faded; Didn't know they were parked in two spaces.

## 117-Meter Violation-Fee Unpaid

Paid Parking is 7 days a week including holidays, April 1<sup>st</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-7pm. A Parking Meter means any device or App used for regulating parking in Plymouth on a public way or in an off-street parking area used for public parking. Each parking meter installed shall indicate by proper legend the legal parking time permitted and at the expiration of such period shall indicate illegal or overtime parking.

Appeal denied if: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) makes it clear that the meter was unpaid; Says the meter or pay station wasn't there; Says there is no or not enough signage; Says there are no numbers in the spaces; Says the app wasn't working; Used the wrong App; Claims the machine wouldn't take my card; Just ran in for a second, Didn't think I had to pay; This is my first violation; I was parked in the restaurant's parking space; I didn't think you charged on Sunday's; There were plenty open spaces, so I didn't think I had to pay; The vehicle near me didn't get one, but I did; Meter was only expired by two minutes; I am a delivery driver, so I am exempt from paying; I didn't know it was pre-pay; I thought paid parking stops after Labor Day; I didn't see where to pay; I thought paid parking stops after Labor Day; I didn't see where to pay; I was told I could park here; The machine would only take 4 hours; The whale watch/fishing trip took longer than expected; the machine was black, so I thought it was not working. Says the sign states that the first 2/4 hours is free.

## 118-Fire Lane Violation

A Fire Lane is either marked with zebra stripes, signage, or both. This is for emergency vehicles only.

**Appeal denied if**: Photo taken by Meter Enforcement Officer (MEO) shows that the vehicle was parked in a fire lane; Says they didn't see a sign; Claims they were only there for a few minutes; Says the lines were faded.

# 119-Other

-Parked in the State Boat ramp without a trailer. -Obstructing a driveway.

- -Not in a marked space -Permit # & License plate do not match. -Obstructing Emergency vehicles