

**City of Los Angeles  
Summary of Parking Regulations**

	<b>Use of Building (or portions of)</b>	<b>Commercial uses</b>	<b>Ratio (spaces/sq. ft.)</b>
<b>Regular Provisions Sec. 12.21A4</b>	1.	Health or Athletic Club, Bath House, Dance Hall/Studio, Gymnasium, or similar (e.g. amusement)	1 per 100
	2.	Restaurant, Café, Coffee Shop, Bar, Night Club, or similar	1 per 100
	3.	Small Restaurant, Café, or Coffee Shop (1000sq. Ft. or less)	1 per 200
	4.	Take-out Restaurant (no eating on the premises)	1 per 250
	5.	Retail or Discount Wholesalers	1 per 250
	6.	Retail Furniture, Major Appliances, or similar	1 per 500
	7.	Auditoriums: Church, High School, College, Stadium, Theater, and similar assembly	1 per 35 or 1 per 5 fixed seats
	8.	Elementary School, Child Care	1 per classroom or minimum 1per 500
	9.	Commercial School: Trade, Music, Professional, or similar	////////////////////////////////////
	a)	Classrooms and assembly areas	1 per 50 or 1 per 5 fixed seats whichever is greater
	b)	Classrooms with heavy equipment	1 per 500
	10.	Philanthropic Institution, Government Office, or similar	1 per 500
	11.	Commercial or Business Office	1 per 500
	12.	Medical Office, Clinic, or Medical Service Facility	1 per 200
	13.	Hospital	2 per bed
	14.	Sanitarium or Convalescent Home	1 per 500 or min 0.2 per bed
15.	Warehouse or Storage (for Household Goods) - first 10,000 sq. ft. - beyond 10,000 sq. ft.	1 per 500 (plus) 1 per 5000	
16.	Other Business or Commercial (not listed above)	1 per 500	
<b>Special Provisions</b>	17.	Auto Dismantling Yard, Junk Yard or Open Storage in the M2 or M3 zones [Sec. 12.19A4 (b)(4)]	6 for the first acre, 1 per 12,000 sq. ft. for the second acre and 1 for each acre over two.

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Regular Provisions Sec. 12.21A4	Use of Building (or portions of)	Residential uses	Ratio (spaces/unit)
	1. Single-Family Dwelling (SFD)		2
	2. Two-Family Dwelling or Apartment		////////////////////
		units > 3 habitable rooms (such as a typical 2 bedroom unit)	2
		units = 3 habitable rooms (such as a typical 1 bedroom unit)	1.5
		units < 3 habitable rooms (such as a typical Single unit)	1
	3. Hotel, Motel, Boarding House or Dormitory		////////////////////
		first 30 guestrooms	1
		next 30 guestrooms	½
		remaining guestrooms	1/3
4. Condominiums		As required by City Planning	

### EXCEPTIONS TO COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS

1. **Historical Buildings (ZI 145's)** - no change in parking in connection with a change of use within existing area.
2. **Downtown Parking District (DPD)** - the following uses need only provide parking at the following ratios in lieu of the parking required by the General Provisions of section 12.21.A4:
  - (a) Auditoriums and similar places of assembly - 1 per 10 fixed seats or 1 per 100 sq. ft. of floor area if no fixed seating
  - (b) Hospitals, Philanthropic Institutions, Government Offices or similar uses - 1 per 1000 sq. ft.
  - (c) Business, Commercial or Industrial - 1 per 1000 sq. ft. for buildings 7500 s. ft. or more, NO parking required if less than 7500 sq. ft.
  - (d) Warehouse - 1 per 1000 sq. ft. for the first 10,000 and 1 per 5,000 sq. ft. for over 10,000
3. **Community Redevelopment Areas (CRA) not in DPD (ZI 940, ZI 1048, ZI 1084, ZI 1352)** - commercial office, business, retail, restaurant, bar and related uses, trade schools, or research and development buildings need only provide 2 parking spaces for every 1000 sq. ft. of floor area.
4. **Enterprise Zones not in DPD (ZI 1643, ZI 1644, ZI 1645, ZI 1652, ZI1653)** - commercial office, business, retail, restaurant, bar and related uses, trade schools, or research and development building need only provide 2 parking spaces for every 1000 sq. ft. of floor area.

### EXCEPTIONS TO RESIDENTIAL REGULATIONS

1. **SFD in "hillside areas"** (as defined in the Zoning Code) which front on a substandard street and exceed 2400 sq. ft. of combined floor area require one additional parking space for each 1000 sq. ft. or fraction thereof for a maximum of 5 total spaces. A "substandard street" is one which does not have a minimum dedicated width of 36 ft. and a roadway of 28 ft.
2. Notwithstanding the above requirements, residential buildings in the **Central City Parking District (CCPD)** need only provide parking as follows:
  - (a) Dwellings: 1 per dwelling unit, except where more than 6 dwelling units of more than 3 habitable rooms. Ratio for all such units of at least 1-1/4 for each dwelling of more than 3 habitable rooms.
  - (b) Guestrooms: 1 for first 20, 1/4 for next 20, 1/6 for remaining.
3. **One SFD on a narrow lot (40 ft. or less)**, not abutting an alley, requires only 1 parking space. This does not apply to lots in Hillside Areas (defined in Zoning Code) in A1, A2, A, RE, RS, R1 and RD zones fronting on a substandard street.
4. **Affordable Housing Incentives** - Lowered parking requirements for "restricted affordable units" per Ordinance No. 170, 764.

**Areas located within Specific Plans, Interim Control Ordinances, or special districts may have different parking requirements.**