

**DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT 3/14/2023**

**“OPERATION NIGHT TOW”**

In response to citizen’s complaints, the Guadalupe Department of Public Safety will conduct enforcement action to address vehicles parked over 72 hours upon a highway and large vehicles and/or utility trailers parked upon a highway for more than 72 hours.

The enforcement action will consist of three separate phases;

Phase 1 Education of Violators

- a. Officers and Fire personnel will canvas the city over a two-weekend period to locate and identify violators.
- b. Violations will be photographed and recorded.
- c. Owners will be provided with written information regarding the law and how to correct the violation.

Phase 2 Warning of Violators

- a. After the two-week grace period, the identified violations / violators will be issued a Written Warning regarding their vehicle and/or trailer.

Phase 3 Citation and Towing of Violators

- a. Within the following period, the violations will be enforced and vehicles and or trailers will be towed.

**California Vehicle Code**

**Sec. 22651 Parking vehicle upon a highway for 72 hours.**

A peace officer, as defined in Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 830) of Title 3 of Part 2 of the Penal Code, or a regularly employed and salaried employee, who is engaged in directing traffic or enforcing parking laws and regulations, of a city, county, or jurisdiction of a state agency in which a vehicle is located, may remove a vehicle located within the territorial limits in which the officer or employee may act, under the following circumstances:

**(K)** When a vehicle is parked or left standing upon a highway for ***72 or more consecutive hours*** in violation of a local ordinance authorizing removal.

**Guadalupe Municipal Code**

#### **10.24.190 Parking of large vehicles or utility trailers limited.**

A. No person shall park or let stand any large vehicle, whether or not attached to a trailer or other device, or any utility trailer, on a public street in a residential district for *more than 72 hours except while loading or unloading property*, unless additional time is reasonably necessary to complete such work; or when such large vehicle or utility trailer is parked in connection with or in aid of the performance of a service to or on property in the block in which such large vehicle or utility trailer is parked, and additional time is reasonably necessary to complete such service. *A permit for the parking of a large vehicle or utility trailer may be issued by the Chief of Police as set forth in Section [10.24.200](#).*

B. For the purposes of this section, a “large vehicle” is defined as any motor vehicle, house car, or recreational vehicle, which exceeds 8 feet in width or 8 feet in height or 23 feet in length. Such measurement shall include all fixtures, accessories or property, with the exception of single-post radio antennas and side mirrors. For the purposes of this section a “utility trailer” is defined as a nonmotorized vehicle of any length or height designed to carry persons, property, boats or other watercraft, animals, waste, materials, or any other items on its own structure and to be drawn by another motor vehicle.

C. For the purposes of this section, “residential district” shall mean any area within the city which is zoned as residential and specified for residential use.

D. Any person guilty of violating any of the provisions of this section or performing any act declared by such section to be unlawful, shall be deemed guilty of an infraction, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine in accordance with the general penalty provision then in effect in the City pursuant to Chapter [1.08](#) of this code, as amended.

E. Vehicles found in violation of this section may be cited or removed or both cited and removed in accordance with other provisions of this code. (Ord. 2011-404 §1)

#### **10.24.200 Parking of large vehicles or utility trailers—Permit.**

A. A permit for the parking of large vehicles or utility trailers during the time prohibited under Section [10.24.190](#) may be issued by the Chief of Police or the Chief’s representative upon application thereof. Each application shall be filed with the Chief of Police or the Chief’s representative upon a form to be furnished by the City and shall contain the following:

1. The name, residence, and phone number of the applicant;
2. The license number, make, model and type of vehicle or trailer for which the permit is requested;
3. The name and current address of the registered owner of said vehicle or trailer;
4. The dates for which the permit is requested. Such dates shall consist of up to two 24-hour periods, to commence in all cases at 6:00 p.m. and to end in all cases at 6:00 p.m. the following day;
5. The application shall be accompanied by a fee established by resolution of the City Council, which fee shall be nonrefundable;
6. Such additional information as the Chief of Police or the Chief’s representative may require;
7. The application shall be signed by the applicant under penalty of perjury.

B. The Chief of Police or the Chief’s representative shall issue a permit hereunder if upon investigation the Chief of Police determines that the health, safety, and general welfare of

the neighborhood will not be adversely affected thereby. Such permit shall be displayed on the vehicle in such a manner as to be clearly visible to traffic enforcement officers.

C. In no event may a permit be issued under this chapter more than once a month for the parking of the same vehicle. (Ord. 2013-414 §19; Ord. 2011-404 §1)



City of Guadalupe  
Public Safety Department  
4490 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Guadalupe, CA 93434

Permit # \_\_\_\_\_

City of Guadalupe  
**48 Hr. PARKING PERMIT APPLICATION**  
**10.214.200 GMC (Large Vehicle or Utility Trailers)**  
Public Safety Department  
4490 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Guadalupe, CA 93434  
Phone: (805) 343-2112 Fax (805) 343-1965

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Type Vehicle / Trailer: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Register Owner Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Permit Request: \_\_\_\_\_

(Up to two 24-hour periods) (6:00 pm to 6:00 pm following day)

**Fee: \$32.00 (Nonrefundable)      Deposit: \$20 (Refunded with return of permit)**

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Applicant Signature

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Approved By Chief of Police