



Welcome to the City of Steamboat Springs. Whether you are new to the Yampa Valley or have lived in town for a while, this quick reference guide will educate you and your guests on a number of important community ordinances.

While this is not a comprehensive list, the ordinances outlined in this guide are often misinterpreted or most commonly result in citations.

The City of Steamboat Springs is a thriving, authentic mountain community with a passion for the outdoors, its animals and environment.

With your understanding and assistance, everyone will have a more enjoyable and safer experience across the Yampa Valley, no matter the season.

This guide, while not all inclusive, is provided as a service by the City of Steamboat Springs. References are to the Municipal Code at steamboatsprings.net/code.

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PARKS

- **Glass Bottles:** Prohibited in any City park, parkway, recreation area, open space or trail. (Sec. 16-8)
- **Alcohol:** Open containers allowed only from 8am to 11pm in Howelsen Hill and Ski Town Sports Parks. (Sec. 10-201)
- **Fires:** Fires are permitted in parks in designated grills or areas for cooking only between 6am to 9pm. (Sec. 16-3)
- **Off-Leash Parks:** Rita Valentine Park and the lower pond area of Spring Creek Park are designated off-leash parks. Dogs may swim in the Yampa River as long as they do not interfere with other river users. (Sec. 4-10)

ANIMALS



- **License:** Dogs, cats, pigs & goats over 6 months must be licensed once owner lives in the City for 30 days. (Sec. 4-22)
- **Leash Law:** All dogs are required to be on a leash held by a person at all times. *Also see: Parks/Off-Leash Parks.* (Sec. 4-10)
- **Unattended Dogs:** Cannot be left unattended on public property, whether or not secured by leash. (Sec. 4-10.2)
- **Animal Protection:** Do not leave animals in a car or uncovered truck bed when the temperature is over 70°F/21°C. (Sec. 4-5)
- **Feeding Wildlife:** DO NOT feed wildlife—bears, deer, moose, elk, etc. (Sec. 4-3)

• Wildlife Containers: **Be Bear Aware!**

(Sec 19-101 thru 19-101.5)

- All commercial properties are required to use approved wildlife resistant containers at all times when outdoors.
- Residential requirements include storing refuse containers (unless wildlife resistant) indoors at all times except between the hours of 6am to 8pm on trash pick-up day.

OUTDOORS

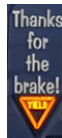


- **Noise Ordinance:** Unusually loud or excessive noise is prohibited. (Sec. 7-64)
- **Noise Exemptions:** City snowplows and removal equipment, street sweepers, emergency vehicles, commercial refuse haulers, parades, fireworks, and special activities. Additionally, construction noise is not subject to restrictions from 7am-7pm. (Sec. 7-62)
- **River:** No glass allowed on the river; no Styrofoam coolers; no alcohol; respect private property and other users. (Sec. 16-12)
- **Open Containers:** Not allowed except in licensed premises. (Sec. 10-201)
- **Marijuana:** Public use of marijuana is not permitted in any form. (Sec. 10-210)
- **Camping:** No camping or sleeping in public places or parks between 9pm-7am. No campfires permitted at any time. (Sec. 10-87)

ROADS & VEHICLES



- **Parking:** A map to City parking is available at steamboatsprings.net/parking
- It is unlawful to park:
 - more than 12 inches from curb
 - within 15 feet of a fire hydrant
 - on sidewalks
 - the wrong way on a street and in a back-in only diagonal parking space
 - where obstruct traffic
 - where official signs prohibit parking
- **Crosswalks:** All drivers must yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. (Colorado law)
- **Summer Parking:** *May 1-Oct. 31.* FREE 2-, 3- and 8-hour parking and five FREE public parking lots are available.
- **Winter Restrictions:** *Nov. 1-April 30.* In order to expedite snow removal, winter parking is prohibited on City streets and shoulders during the following hours:
 - Lincoln Avenue 3am-6am
 - Ski Time Square. 3am-6am
 - Anglers Drive 12am-8am
 - City limits south..... 12am-8am
 - All other areas..... 2am-8am
- **Yield to SST Buses:** Drivers must yield to Steamboat Springs Transit buses when *yield to bus* light is illuminated and flashing. (Colorado law)



SIDEWALKS & RIGHT-OF-WAY

- Signs, sandwich boards, outdoor seating & displays, bike & clothing racks and anything else in City or state right-of-way requires an annual revocable license. (Sec. 12.11)

VACATION HOME RENTALS

- A permit is required to rent out a single family home or duplex as a vacation rental. Permits must be renewed annually, and city sales tax must be collected. (Sec. 26.88)

RESOURCES

City of Steamboat Springs

City Hall	970-879-2060
Parks	970-879-4300
Planning.....	970-871-8258
Streets	970-879-1807

Police

Emergency	911
Non-Emergency	970-879-1144
Administration.....	970-879-4344
Animal Control.....	970-879-1144
Crime Stoppers	970-870-6226
Text a Tip.....	Text NABM, then tip to 274637

Fire

Emergency	911
Non-Emergency	970-879-7170

CDOT-Road Conditions

877-315-7623 | cotrip.org

Colorado Parks & Wildlife

970-870-2197 | cpw.state.co.us

Colorado State Patrol

970-824-6501 | colorado.csp.gov

Routt County Communications/Dispatch

970-879-1110 | co.routt.co.us

Routt County Motor Vehicle Registration

970-870-5557 | co.routt.co.us

Routt County Humane Society

970-879-7247 | routthumane.org

Steamboat Springs Chamber Resort Assoc.

970-879-0880 | steamboatchamber.com

US Forest Service-Routt

970-879-2299 | fs.usda.gov



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