

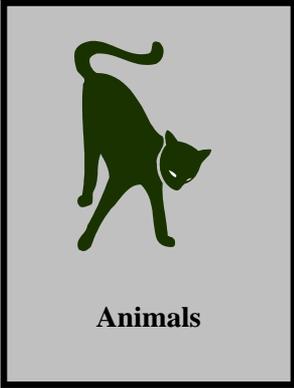
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## Helpful Telephone Numbers

Emergency Calls (Police, Fire Ambulance).....	911
Office of Constituent Services (all matters).....	(617) 376-1500
Quincy Police Department (main).....	(617) 479-1212
Quincy Fire Department (main).....	(617) 376-1040
Animal Control.....	(617) 376-1349
Building Department .....	(617) 376-1450
City Clerk/Licensing.....	(617) 376-1134
Office of the City Council.....	(617) 376-1340
Council on Aging.....	(617)376-1240
Emergency Management.....	(617) 376-1105
Office of Mayor William J. Phelan.....	(617) 376-1990
Park and Forestry Department.....	(617) 376-1251
Public Works Department.....	(617) 376-1900
Sewer and Water Division (emergency help line)	(617) 376-1910
Recreation Department.....	(617) 376-1395
Department of Veterans' Services.....	(617) 376-1190
<b>City web-site .....</b>	<b>.....www.ci.quincy.ma.us</b>



## **ANIMALS**

*Avoid Pet Peeves from your neighbors. Please keep your animals on your property or in your sight at all times.*

### *Licensing Dogs*

All dog owners within the city shall obtain a dog license from the office of the City Clerk. The fee for a license is currently ten dollars.

### *Keeping of Domestic Animals*

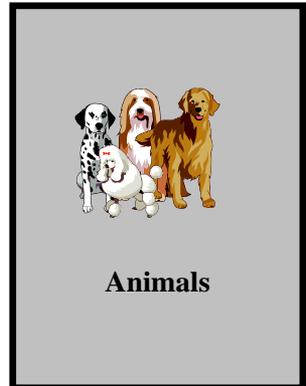
An owner or keeper of any animal shall not permit such animal to go unleashed in the city or to disturb the quiet of any person by barking, biting, howling or other manner.

### *Removing Dog Waste*

An owner or keeper of an animal shall remove and dispose of any feces left by such animal on any sidewalk, street, park or other public area, or on any private property, which is not owned or occupied by such owner. If an animal defecates on property other than that of the owner or keeper, the owner or keeper of the animal is responsible for the immediate removal of the feces.

### *Control of Nuisance Animals*

If any person shall make a complaint in writing to the Chief of Police that any dog owned within the city is a nuisance by reason of vicious disposition or excessive barking or other disturbance, the Chief of Police shall investigate such a complaint and may order the restraint or disposal of the dog as may be deemed necessary.





### *Feeding Waterfowl*

No person, except the Director of Fisheries and Wildlife shall feed or bait any waterfowl including, but not restricted to, ducks, geese, and swans at any place within the City of Quincy, where it is so posted.

## **BUILDING REGULATIONS**

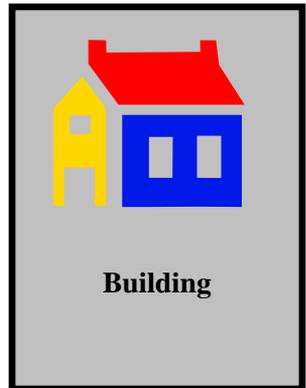
*Looking to build good relations with your neighbors and city officials? Please follow Quincy's building and zoning ordinances. Listed below are a few of these ordinances. For more information please call the city's Building and Zoning Departments at (617) 376-1450.*

### *Building Permits*

No building or structure shall be erected, added to or structurally altered until the Director of Inspections has issued a permit.

### *Minimum Size of House and Building Numbers or Letters*

The owner and occupant of every tenement and building situated on any street in the city shall cause to be placed and maintained on or over the outside doors fronting the street, or on front corners of every tenement or building having their entrances on the side thereof, such number or numbers, letter or letters as may be assigned thereto by the Commissioner of Public Works under any of the provisions of this chapter, such number or letter not to be less than two inches in height, and to be so placed to be easily observed from the street in front of the premises.





### *Wetland Protection*

Except as permitted by the Conservation Commission, no person shall remove, fill, dredge, build upon or alter the following resources or land under said resources or land within one hundred feet of said resources: any freshwater wetland including any marsh, wet meadow, bog or swamp; any saltwater wetland; any lake, river, pond, stream, drainageway, canal, estuary or the ocean; any bank, beach, dune or flat bordering on said water or wetlands; or any land subject to

flooding or inundation by groundwater, surface water, tidal action or coastal storm flowage.

## **CHARITABLE SOLICITATION REGULATIONS**

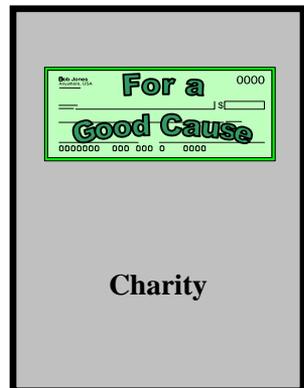
*Be generous with your time and follow these simple rules, when soliciting for charities.*

### *Canning*

All organizations must have a license issued from the City of Quincy Board of License and written permission from the store managers. All cans must be marked with the name of the Quincy organization. No canning is allowed at intersections.

### *Halls and Buildings*

No hall or building in the city shall be used for public entertainment, such as concerts, dancing parties or moving picture shows until the owner or lessee of such building has obtained from the Board of License Commissioners a license that will expire one year from date of issue.





### *Charitable Solicitation*

A solicitor or canvasser is defined as any person who from place to place takes orders for the retail sale of goods, wares, merchandise or services. It shall be unlawful for any solicitor or canvasser to engage in such business without first obtaining a license from the city. This provision shall not apply to any person engaged in pursuit of soliciting for charitable, benevolent, fraternal, religious or political activities.

## **DRIVING**

*Stop driving everyone crazy! Follow these common sense rules of the road for driving a motor vehicle.*

### *Speed Limits*

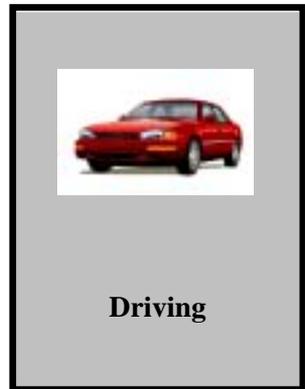
Please obey posted speed limits on all city streets. Speeding tickets result in insurance surcharges for the driver of the vehicle.

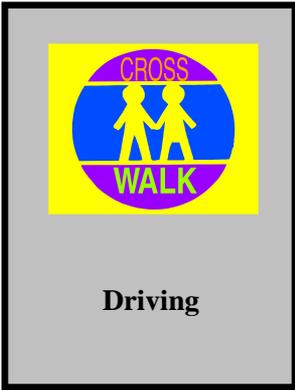
### *Driving on Sidewalks*

The driver of a vehicle shall not drive upon any sidewalk except at a permanent or temporary driveway.

### *Obstructing Traffic*

No person shall drive in such a manner as to obstruct unnecessarily the normal movement of traffic upon any street or highway.





### *Crosswalks*

Whenever any vehicle has stopped at a marked crosswalk, or at any intersection, to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, no operator of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.

### *Public Land*

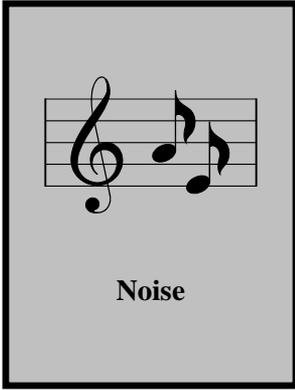
No person shall operate any motor vehicle, including but not limited to, automobiles, dune buggies, motorcycles, dirt bikes, motor scooters or any other motorized vehicle on any publicly owned lands within the city which have not been laid out as a way or designated by the park and recreation board for the use by such vehicles.

## **GOOD NEIGHBORS LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER**

### **Report Suspicious Situations To The Police**

- ◆ The stranger entering your neighbor's house when it is unoccupied may be a burglar.
- ◆ A scream heard anywhere might mean robbery, rape or a person in need of help.
- ◆ Anyone peering into parked cars may be looking for a car to steal or for valuables displayed in the car.
- ◆ People entering or leaving a place of business after hours may be burglars.
- ◆ The sound of breaking glass or other loud explosive noises could mean an accident, house breaking or vandalism.
- ◆ People who do not live in your area or strange vehicles around the neighborhood may mean trouble.





## **NOISE**

*Shhhhhh! Please keep the noise down.*

### **Construction**

No person is allowed to operate a plant or machinery in the city where the operation of such is excessively noisy and disturbing to the reasonable peace and quiet of the neighborhood. It shall not be operated before 7<sup>am</sup> or after the hour of 6<sup>pm</sup> of any day without a permit obtained from the Chief of Police.

### **Sounding of Horn**

No person shall sound any automobile horn between the hours of 11<sup>pm</sup> and 7<sup>am</sup> anywhere in the city except in cases of extreme emergencies.

### **Radios**

It shall be unlawful for any persons to operate any radio device or mechanical musical instrument where such device is operated so that the sound can be heard to the annoyance or inconvenience of travelers upon any street or public place in the city.

## **PARKING**

*Want to avoid unwanted parking tickets and help keep our city's streets obstruction free? Follow these parking ordinances or pay the \$ price.*

### **All-Night Parking**

No vehicle may be parked on any public street and property between the hours of 1<sup>am</sup> to 7<sup>am</sup>. All Quincy residents may apply for an overnight parking permit by contacting the Quincy Police Department Traffic Division at (617) 479-1212.





### *No Parking Anytime*

No person shall allow any vehicle registered in his name to stand or park in any street, way, highway, road or parkway under the control of the city in violation of any provisions including: within an intersection, upon any sidewalk, upon any street within ten feet from a fire hydrant, or in front of any private road or driveway.

### *Abandoned Motor Vehicle in the Street*

No person shall leave any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked or junked vehicle on any street or highway within the city.

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE SIDEWALK – IT’S ILLEGAL!**

## **PUBLIC PEACE AND WELFARE**

*Follow these simple rules and you will not only be a good neighbor but stay out of trouble as well.*

### *Alcoholic Beverages*

No person while in, within, on or upon any public building, public park or public playground shall have in his possession any alcoholic beverage.

### *Tobacco Sales*

All clerks selling cigarettes or tobacco products will positively establish the purchaser as eighteen. A written note or telephone communication from a parent will not be sufficient to allow a person under age eighteen to purchase a tobacco product.

### *Smoking*

Smoking is prohibited in common work areas, hallways, conference and meeting rooms, offices, employee lounges, restrooms and





staircases; auditoriums, theatres, concert halls and convention centers; museums, libraries, schools, colleges, and classrooms; restaurants, bars, taverns, food courts and supermarkets; medical facilities, health facilities, child care centers, camps or in any type of public transportation.

### *Disorderly Conduct*

No person shall behave himself in a rude or disorderly manner, nor use indecent, offensive, loud, boisterous or abusive language in any street, public place or public building in the city that may cause the annoyance or disturbance of any person.

### *Loitering*

No person shall accost or annoy persons, or disturb the peace, or loiter or address another person with profane or obscene language in any public park, public reservation or city-owned land in the city.

### *Throwing Objects*

No person shall throw stones, snowballs or other missiles in or across any street or public grounds in the city.

### *Air Guns, Bow and Arrows, and Sling Shots*

No person shall shoot with or use an air gun, bow and arrow or sling shot in the city.

## **SMOKE DETECTORS AND FIRE ALARMS IN BUILDINGS AND HOMES**

*No need to get alarmed. Here are some helpful hints and regulations to ensure safe residences and buildings.*





**Smoke  
Detectors  
Fire Alarms**

*Smoke Detectors*

All buildings that are required to be equipped with a fire alarm system as determined and described by the Massachusetts State Building Code regulations, Massachusetts Fire Prevention Regulations or City of Quincy ordinance, shall have all fire alarm system devices tested no less than two times each calendar year by a qualified fire alarm service company. Carbon monoxide detectors must also be in place in your home.

*Fire Alarm Repair*

Should a fire alarm system require maintenance or repair, it is the responsibility of the owner or his representative that such system be repaired and placed back into service within twenty-four hours of the discovery. Notification of such fault to the owner or his representative may be written or verbal.

*Changing Batteries*

The NFPA recommends changing the batteries in smoke detectors in your home twice a year. They suggest changing them when turning our clocks ahead in the spring and back in the fall.

**SNOW EMERGENCY PARKING REGULATIONS  
October 15 to April 15**

- ◆ Parking on emergency arteries during a snow emergency is prohibited. All main streets in the City are posted with signs identifying them as emergency arteries.
- ◆ Parking is allowed during a snow emergency on NON-EMERGENCY streets only.



**Snow  
Emergency**

- ◆ Each year between October 15 and April 15, emergency parking regulations are implemented. Parking is allowed on either the ODD numbered or the EVEN numbered side of non-emergency streets during a declared Snow Emergency depending upon whether it is an ODD or EVEN year on October 15<sup>th</sup>. (Example: October 15, 2005 = ODD side of the street. October 15, 2006 = EVEN side of the street)
- ◆ The side of the street remains the same October through April.
- ◆ Your car will be towed if it is in violation of any of these winter parking rules, or if it interferes in any way with plowing operations. The average tow and storage is \$125.00 or more.
- ◆ If bad weather is expected, call (617) 770-SNOW or listen to the TV or radio. If you have any problems or questions related to snow removal, call the snow hotlines at (617) 376-1943.

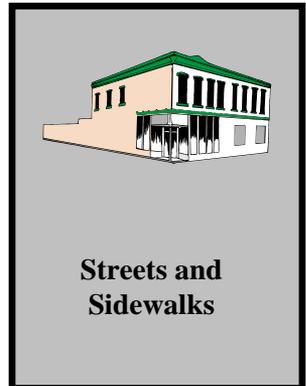


## **STREETS & SIDEWALKS FOR HOME AND BUSINESS**

*Let us all work together to keep our city streets and sidewalks safe, passable and profitable.*

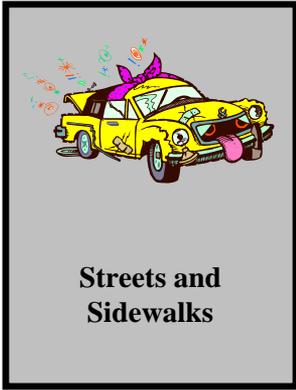
### *Snow Removal from Sidewalks*

The tenant, occupant, and, in case there shall be no tenant, the owner of any store bordering on any sidewalk, shall, after the fall of any snow, if in the daytime within five hours, and if in the nighttime before 1<sup>pm</sup> of the succeeding day, remove the snow.



### *Digging In Public Way*

No entity (person, business, utility, and government agency) shall dig into or break-up any public street in the city without first



having obtained a permit from the Commissioner of Public Works.

### *Obstructing Free Passage*

No person shall stand in any street, or over any footway or sidewalk of this city, in such a manner as to obstruct a free passage for passengers therein, or over any footway or sidewalk.

### *Material Falling Onto Public Ways*

No person shall permit any piece of stone of granite, or other article of such a size or character as may endanger public travel, to drop or fall upon any way or highway of the city.

### *Abandoned Motor Vehicles*

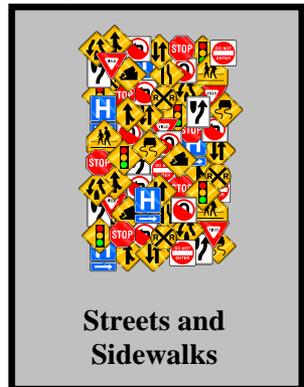
No person shall abandon any vehicle within the city and no person shall leave any vehicle at any place within the city for such time and under such circumstances as to cause such vehicle reasonably to appear to have been abandoned.

### *Water Running From Building*

No person shall suffer his building to shed water upon any street in this city to the injury or inconvenience of passengers.

### *Digging Near Streets*

If any person shall dig a cellar or other cavity in the ground near to or adjoining any street, he shall keep a railing or fence on or near the line of such street sufficient to protect travelers from falling into the place so dug or being injured.





### *Shopping Carts*

The presence of abandoned shopping carts constitutes a public nuisance to the city, and thus it shall be unlawful for any person permit any shopping cart to be abandoned on or upon any property other than that of the owner of the cart. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove a cart from the premises of the owner. All businesses utilizing shopping carts shall install and maintain a system to retain such carts within property boundaries.

## **WASTE COLLECTIONS**

*Don't trash our beautiful City! Help keep our city and your neighborhood safe and clean. Please comply with these City of Quincy Ordinances regarding trash disposal.*

### *Pickup Regulations*

No person shall place rubbish or other debris for collection by the city within ten feet of any abutters' property; or in any way interfere with abutters' access to his property; or with access to a public sidewalk. No rubbish or other debris may be placed out for collection more than one day prior to scheduled pickup and empty containers shall be removed within one day of pickup.

Please keep rubbish to the rear of your property and out of sight from the street.

### *Depositing Trash*

No person shall deposit upon any street or other public place in this city merchandise, ashes, house dirt, filth, or rubbish which shall in any way obstruct and disfigure the city. And no person shall deposit any newspaper or wastepaper of any kind upon any street or other public place in this city. And no person shall saw or split wood, or pile the same on





any sidewalk; provided, that ashes or rubbish in suitable containers may be placed in the streets for collection, in such manner and on such days as the Commissioner of Public Works may direct.

### *Dumpsters*

No dumpster shall be emptied before seven a.m. Only within the commercial business area of Quincy Center is emptying dumpsters prior to 7<sup>am</sup> permitted.

The contractor is responsible for preventing spillage of the contents during the emptying and transporting process.

It is the responsibility of the owner to maintain the Dumpster and surrounding area so that it is free of odors, rodents, flies, insects, scattered debris and any overflow on the boundaries of the owner's property lines.

### *Waste Accumulation*

No person shall suffer or allow the use of his property as a gathering place for waste material or debris such as papers, rags, boxes, branches, cans, broken glass, broken boards, discarded furniture or abandoned or unusable motor vehicles for more than seven days after having received written notice from the Chief of Police or the Commissioner of Public Health to remove said material.

### *Out of Town Trash*

No person shall bring any trash, rubbish, refuse or any other material whatsoever from without the city limits into the city for the purpose of depositing it for public or private collection.





Driveway  
Paving

### *Driveway Paving*

Driveways/parking facilities shall not exceed, in Residence A and Residence B districts, thirty percent (30%) of the front yard setback, and in no event shall exceed twenty (20) feet in width. Parking facilities in said districts shall not exceed forty percent (40%) of the rear yard.

### *Paving Permit*

No part of any yard or premises shall be paved or repaved for parking facilities unless a paving permit is first issued by the Director of Inspectional Services.

# Elected Officials

## Office of the Mayor

(617) 376-1990

The Honorable William J. Phelan

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## Office of the City Council

(617) 376-1341

Joseph G. Finn .....	At Large
John F. Keenan.....	At Large
Michael E. McFarland.....	At Large
Leo J. Kelly .....	Ward 1
Daniel G. Raymond .....	Ward 2
Kevin F. Coughlin.....	Ward 3
James H. Davis III.....	Ward 4
Douglas S. Gutro, President.....	Ward 5
Brian F. McNamee.....	Ward 6

## School Committee

(617) 984-8700

The Honorable William J. Phelan, Chair

Elaine Dwyer, Vice Chair

Anne Mahoney

David McCarthy

Kevin Mulvey

Linda K. Stice

James Timmons



## *The Seal of the City and Town of Quincy*

*Passed and Approved on March 8, 1889*

- 1625 Settlement at Mount Wollaston
- 1640 Separation from Boston “to be a town called Braintree”
- 1792 Incorporation of the north precinct of Braintree as the town of Quincy, named after Colonel John Quincy
- 1888 Incorporation of the town of Quincy as the City of Quincy

**MANET Latin word of “It remains”**

The hill remains, connecting the present with the past.

The city remains, continuous in its history and development.

The free spirit of it remains.

The fame of it remains, and will remain forever.

### **Design History of the Seal’s Symbols:**

The Seal recalls our City’s early settlement. Seven years before the acceptance of our current seal, a committee member suggested “Mount Wollaston, with the single bent cedar would be appropriate and picturesque.” From an 1832 sketch of Mount Wollaston was taken the important feature of the hill with its lone cedar and the sea beyond. To this was added the historical dates of the town and the Latin word “Manet”. This landscape feature remained until it was blown down in November 1898. In 1957, a part of the huge trunk was still listed as being located at the Quincy Historical Society.