

**CANDLEWOOD SHORES TAX DISTRICT  
ORDINANCE 1988-4  
CONCERNS VEHICLES WITHIN THE CANDLEWOOD SHORES TAX DISTRICT**

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The purpose of this ordinance is to ensure the safe use of roads, parking areas, and boat ramps within Candlewood Shores Tax District by property owners, residents, and operators of personal and commercial vehicles. Provision may be made by a vote of the majority of the Board of Directors to specify limitations on access to or use of roads, parking areas, and boat ramps for limited periods of time when safety is at issue.

**Section 1 - SPEED LIMIT:**

A. The speed limit established and enforced by the Town of Brookfield Police Department is 25 M.P.H. and should be observed at all times.

**Section 2 - REGISTRATION:**

- A. A valid state registration is required for all boats, vehicles and trailers belonging to residents and used on Candlewood Shores Tax District roads and its right of way.
- B. All resident's vehicles must be registered with the CSTD and display a CSTD permit to park on any CSTD property or right of way. No vehicle is allowed to park overnight on CSTD property or right of way without the proper permit. Any vehicle in violation of this ordinance will be subjected to a fine or towing.

**Section 3 - PARKING RESTRICTIONS:**

- A. No unregistered vehicle, boat trailer or RV, etc. shall be parked on Tax District property. All vehicles owned and operated by residents must be listed with CSTD and bear CSTD identification.
- B. No vehicle, boat trailer or RV, etc. shall be stored on Tax District property for more than thirty days per year unless it is a registered vehicle of a resident or authorized by the Candlewood Shores Tax District office. No person shall park any vehicle where parking is prohibited as indicated by appropriate signs and/or markings.

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- C. No person shall park any vehicle within twenty-five (25) feet of any fire hydrant.
- D. No person shall park any vehicle within twenty-five (25) feet of an intersection or stop sign.
- E. No person shall park any vehicle within the limits of any street in such a manner as to constitute a traffic hazard or to obstruct the free movement of traffic thereon. No person shall double-park any vehicle next to another vehicle, trailer, or boat that is on the Candlewood Shores right of way.
- F. No trailer or trailed equipment, RV or non-moveable device or object will be parked on any travel portion of Candlewood Shores Tax District roadways from 6 PM to 6 AM without the permission of the CSTD Board.
- G. No nonresident shall park any vehicle on any Tax District Road for a period of time longer than one hour between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. This section shall not apply to a professional call or to the operators of police, fire or other emergency vehicles.
- H. All commercially owned or operated vehicles used by residents to conduct business shall be parked/stored in the resident's driveway. No commercial vehicle shall be parked on Tax District Roads, rights of way or easements. The resident which has such vehicle at their residence shall be the owner of or employee of the commercial company. The resident is limited to one commercial vehicle.
- I. All property shall have a clear means for a resident to pull into, or exit their driveway. No parking is permitted on another resident's dwellings without the expressed permission of that property owner. No parking is permitted directly across the street from a resident's driveway if it blocks ingress or egress.
- J. There is no parking permitted on Candlewood Shores Road in the designated area of the causeway (CSTD main entrance) and flag pole on either side of the road.

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K. No vehicles are allowed to be parked on the grass of any residence or CSTD public spaces. Hardscapes are the only parking areas permissible.

L. Every Tax District road shall have a clear lane to allow for emergency vehicle and school bus access.

**Section 4- BOAT RAMP, BOAT RAMP LOADING AREA AND RIGHT SIDE OF BEACH ACCESS ROAD**

A. The boat ramp is for the exclusive use of CSTD property owners, and Pine Island property owners. It is not open to the public or to guests of residents.

The boat ramp is to be used to put in boats or jet skis. Once such vehicle is in or out of water, the area should be cleared for next resident to use.

Access to the ramp shall be with a key. A key can be obtained by a CSTD resident from the CSTD office and is only to be used by the CSTD or Pine Island resident.

Any nonresident found using a boat ramp key will be required to relinquish the key, and leave ramp area. The CSTD resident who is the rightful owner of the key will lose their ramp privileges.

All CSTD property owners who use the boat ramp must register their boat(s) trailer(s) Jet skis and trailer(s) at the CSTD office every year. Each boat, Jet skis and trailer will receive a sticker with a number that must be displayed for the season to use the boat ramp.

Stickers are not transferable and may not be attached to any other boat, Jet ski or trailer.

All keys and passes are property of CSTD and must be surrendered if the Board deems the resident has acted in violation of any related ordinances.

If a key has been lost, the person can request a Board hearing within 10 days to protest the penalty.

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B. The boat ramp loading area driveway is to be used to drive, push or pull a boat or Jet skis on a trailer in or out of the lake. There is no parking of vehicles on the ramp area. Any vehicle or trailer left parked in this area will be towed and the owner will be liable for towing fees.

This area should be kept clear for emergency vehicles.

Parking for vehicles and trailers is permitted in designated areas at the ball field with a CSTD parking pass.

C. The access road to the north of the beach shall be kept locked and clear of any vehicles blocking it. The road shall only be used for CSTD maintenance vehicle's and emergency vehicles.

Vehicles blocking the access road will be towed.

**Section 5 - BEACH PARKING:**

- A. All vehicles parked at the CSTD beach shall have a current parking sticker. Each resident is responsible to pick up their parking stickers at the CSTD office at the beginning of each season.
- B. The only unregistered vehicles that may be parked at the beach are golf carts. The golf carts must be parked only in designated areas.
- C. Each parking sticker will be numbered and the resident is responsible for their proper use. Parking stickers are not transferable.
- D. Any vehicle parked at CSTD beach without the current season pass will have their vehicle towed and the owner will be liable for towing fees.
- E. A limited number of guest parking passes will be available at the CSTD office. Requests for guest parking passes must be made in advance. These passes will be valid for stated periods of time. Any resident giving passes to nonresidents will lose beach parking privileges. The person can request a Board hearing within 10 days to protest the penalty.

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**Section 6 – NO PARKING/ NO STANDING ZONES:**

CSTD has established no parking/ no standing zones where parking or standing is strictly prohibited. The only exceptions would be moving trucks, septic trucks, or any emergency vehicle that has to be at the site. Landscapers and other contractors must unload and park on a side street or another parking area. Vehicles in these zones must put out traffic cones in the front and rear of the vehicles. The following areas are designated as no parking/ no standing zones:

The full length of Candlewood Shores Road

South Lake Shore Drive from #5 to #11

North Lake Shore Drive from #113 to Clearview Drive

The penalty for violation shall be a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day and/ or towing of the vehicle.

**Section 7 - PARKING DURING STORMS:**

A. Speedy and efficient removal of snow from the streets is hereby declared to be vital to the public health and safety of all Candlewood Shores Tax District residents and guests.

B. No person shall park any vehicle within the limits of any street during the time of falling snow, sleet or freezing rain or so as to obstruct or interfere with snow removal and/or sanding. This restriction applies until four (4) hours after the storm has ended.

**Section 8 - UNREGISTERED VEHICLES ON CANDLEWOOD SHORES TAX DISTRICT ROADWAYS**

A. With the exception of handicapped scooters, all unregistered vehicles including but not limited to any utility vehicle, golf cart, ATV must be operated by a driver with a valid motor vehicle operator's license.

B. The vehicle operation is limited to daylight hours.

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C. The vehicle must be equipped with an operable horn and flag that is positioned to assist operators of motor vehicles in observing the location and operation of said unregistered vehicle.

D. The vehicle may not transport more passengers than is recommended by the vehicle manufacturer at any given time.

E. All ATV, golf carts and utility vehicles must obey all traffic laws.

F. No person can ride on the lap of the driver or any passenger of such vehicle.

G. All golf carts, ATVs, scooters and utility vehicles shall be registered at the CSTD office and get an identification number every year. The sticker/tag must be on the vehicle at all times.

H. All owners of such vehicles must show proof of liability insurance to the Office Manager.

I. All vehicles shall have required lighting and reflective markers.

J. No advertising shall be allowed on any of these vehicles.

**Section 9 - HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES**

A. Such spaces must be designated by signs whose design and content is specified by Connecticut State Law. When a sign is replaced, repaired, or erected, it must indicate the minimum fine for a violation.

B. Vehicles displaying a special license plate or a placard are allowed to park in an area where parking is legally permissible, for an unlimited period of time without penalty, regardless of the time indicated by a sign, provided the operator of, or a passenger in, the vehicle is a blind person or a person with a disability.

C. A placard must not be displayed on a motor vehicle unless it is being operated by, or carrying as a passenger, the individual to whom it has been issued by the DMV. The law specifies that it does not allow a state resident who is blind or has a disability to park in a public or private area reserved for

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the exclusive use of handicapped people if he or she does not display the special plate or placard on or in his vehicle.

D. The placard must be hung from the front windshield rearview mirror when using a parking space reserved for people with disabilities. If there is no rearview mirror, the placard must be placed in clear view on the dashboard.

E. Vehicles bearing a special license plate may not use a handicapped parking space when the vehicle is not being driven by, or carrying as a passenger, the person to whom DMV issued the special plate.

**Section 10 – IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Any individual using the facilities of CSTD may be required to present valid photo identification to an authorized agent of CSTD or to the Brookfield Police Department.

**Section 11 - VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES:**

**The person can request a Board hearing within 10 days to protest the penalty.**

A. The penalty for violation of any provision of this Ordinance, except speed limit violations and illegal parking during a storm, shall be a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day commencing 24 hours after the initial notification from CSTD.

B. The penalty for violation of the prohibition against parking on streets during storms shall be a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day.

C. Whenever any vehicle is found parked in violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance, a Candlewood Shores Tax District agent shall attach a notice on the vehicle stating that such vehicle has been parked unlawfully, and giving notice of fines and/or other consequences.

D. The owner of the Candlewood Shores Tax District residence shall be responsible for the parking violations of nonresident guests and or tenants.

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E. There shall be a prima facie presumption that the owner of such vehicle was the person who parked such vehicle at the place where such violation occurred.

F. A separate offense shall be deemed committed upon each day during or which the violation occurs and continues.

G. A first violation of the handicapped parking law is punishable by a one hundred fifty-dollar (\$150.00) fine; second and subsequent violations are punishable by a two hundred fifty-dollar (\$250.00) fine.

H. All fines imposed shall:

Be collectible by the District by any method available for collecting a delinquent real property tax under the laws of the State of Connecticut

Accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% for each whole or part month they remain unpaid, which interest shall be waived on amounts paid within thirty days of the original due date

Be deemed increased by all of the District's collection expenses and attorney's fees

**Section 12 - TOWING POLICIES:**

A. Vehicles parked within the Candlewood Shores right of way during winter storms will be subjected to immediate towing.

B. Vehicles parked at the beach and the ball field area will be subjected to immediate towing after the first warning. Such warning will be a notification placed on the vehicle.

C. Unregistered vehicles parked on the Candlewood Shores right of way will result in a notification of intent to tow. The owner of the vehicle will have 21 days to register or remove the vehicle. Notification will be delivered by a registered letter to the property owner.



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