

# Accessible Parking Stalls



## Changing Your Parking Lot?

You do not need approvals to re-stripe an existing parking lot, if you are not going to change:

- The number of parking stalls;
- The location of parking stalls; or
- The width of the drive aisle.

If you need a new approval, visit: [www.cityofmadison.com/SPR](http://www.cityofmadison.com/SPR). Use the Site Plan Review Packet to get started.

## Stall Width

There are two types of accessible parking stalls, Van Accessible and Accessible.

All stalls must be at least eight feet wide.

If only one accessible stall is being provided, then it must be Van Accessible. If there are more than six accessible parking stalls, one of every six of those stalls must be Van Accessible.

You must mark these stalls “Van Accessible” as shown in the above photo.

Van Accessible stalls can be eight feet wide with an eight foot wide access aisle or 11 feet wide with a five foot wide access aisle. Two adjacent eight foot wide stalls may share the same eight foot wide access aisle. Van Accessible stalls need a clearance height of at least eight feet two inches.

**See illustrations on the back for examples of parking stall layouts.**

## Marking the Stall

All accessible parking stalls must have an accessible parking sign. You can find the requirements in the Wisconsin DOT Code – Trans 200.07.

Signs cannot be less than 12" x 18" in size and must contain the following:

- 12" x 18" White Rectangle;
- Green Message;
- “Green Arrow” or “This Space”; and
- Blue & White International Symbol for Barrier-Free Environments.

Signs shall also include the following words:

- “Reserved Parking”;
- “Vehicles with VET or DIS Plates or State Disabled Card”; and
- “Van Accessible” if applicable.

There should be at least 48 inches between the bottom of the sign and the ground.

Paint cross-hatching on the access aisle so people do not park in these areas.

**A painted accessible symbol on the pavement does not meet the above requirements.**

## Need Help?

Give us a call at 608-266-4551 ext. 2 to ask for help with accessible parking lots.



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## Number of Stalls

| Total Parking Stalls in Lot | Minimum Accessible Stalls Required* |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 – 25                      | 1                                   |
| 26 – 50                     | 2                                   |
| 51 – 75                     | 3                                   |
| 76 – 100                    | 4                                   |
| 101 – 150                   | 5                                   |
| 151 – 200                   | 6                                   |
| 201 – 300                   | 7                                   |
| 301 – 400                   | 8                                   |
| 401 – 500                   | 9                                   |
| 501 – 1000                  | 2% of total                         |
| 1000 and over               | (20 +1 for each 100 over 1000)      |

**\*The total does NOT include Van Accessible stalls. If only one accessible stall is being provided, then it must be Van Accessible. If there are more than six accessible parking stalls, one of every six of those stalls must be Van Accessible.**

For multi-family dwellings, 2% of the total number of stalls must be accessible.

## Accessible Route

The accessible route is the path that people with mobility restrictions take from the parking stall to the building. The accessible route must be at least three feet wide. Special requirements apply to curb ramps and sidewalks with a curb ramp built into them.

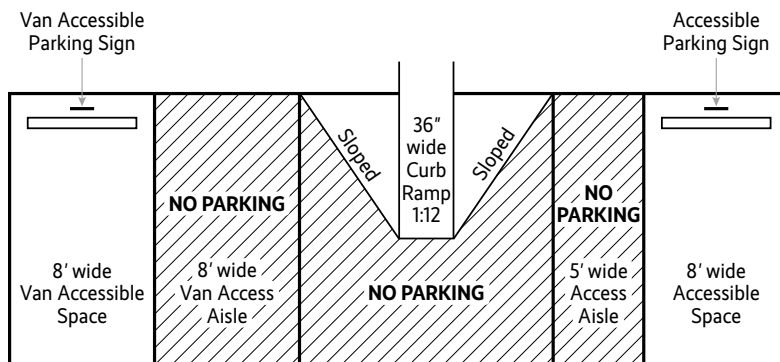
Accessible stalls must be the closest stalls to accessible building entrances.

## Slope

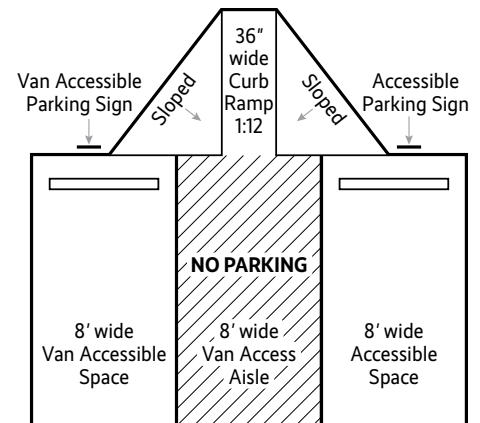
Parking stalls and access aisles must be level. This means a slope no greater than 1:48 in all directions.

Additionally, curb ramps should not exceed a 1:12 (8.34%) slope.

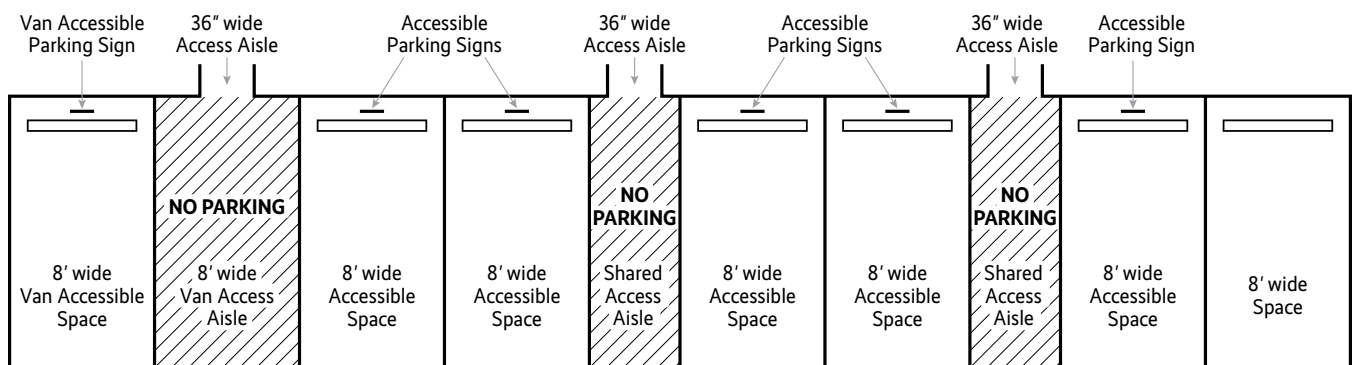
## Accessible Parking Stall Configurations



Stall design with built-up curb ramp



Stalls with curb ramp outside of accessible parking



Multi-stall design