



# TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING DIVISION

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#### **What is considered a Commercial Vehicle?**

A commercial vehicle “means a motor vehicle or combination of motor vehicle and trailer maintained or used primarily for the furtherance of a commercial enterprise” (LVMC 11.02.070). Simply put, any vehicle that is not primarily used for personal use is considered a commercial vehicle. Commercial vehicles include buses, delivery trucks, and service vehicles, but are not necessarily defined by vehicle type, number of wheels, or size.

#### **Why are trucks driving on my street when it is posted no trucks, and can they be completely banned?**

Streets posted with the no trucks or no commercial vehicle signs (as shown above right) only prohibit commercial vehicles from using that street as a cut-through route. Commercial vehicles can use the street if it is the shortest route from a non-posted street to the delivery/pickup location. If all commercial vehicles were banned, then you could not get your mail or packages delivered or even have your garbage picked up. The city of Las Vegas evaluates and posts no trucks restrictions on a case-by-case basis.

#### **Can you park a commercial vehicle in a residential area?**

Yes and no. Per LVMC 11.52.305, a commercial vehicle can be parked in front of residential property “from which or to which goods or passengers are being picked up or delivered, but only for that period of time during which goods or passengers are being expeditiously loaded or unloaded” or when such vehicle is “being used in conjunction with the performance of service, repair, construction or similar essential use within the immediate neighborhood.” You cannot park a commercial vehicle, recreational vehicle(RV), or trailer on any street adjacent to a residence district, public school or park for overnight storage or visiting. A residential district is defined in LVMC 11.52.305 as “territory contiguous to a street, not comprising a business district, in which the parcels abutting such street for a distance of 300 feet or more” are mainly occupied for residential use. The city does issue permits for exceptions to allow limited RV parking in residential areas. More information can be found at: <https://www.lasvegasnevada.gov/parking>.

#### **Who regulates oversized and overweight commercial vehicles?**

Vehicles that are oversized and overweight are regulated by the Nevada Department of Transportation. These vehicles are required to get special permits to operate on public roads. More information on this issue can be found by calling 1-800-552-2127 or at <http://www.nevadadot.com/business/trucker/>.

#### **Want More Information?**

This flyer is for general purposes only. For more information, please contact the city of Las Vegas Department of Public Works, Transportation Engineering Division at (702) 229-6331 or <https://seeclix.com/las-vegas>

**NOTE:** The **Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)** is used throughout the country as the standard by which traffic control decisions are made. Nevada Revised Statute 484A.430 requires its use for placement of all traffic control devices. Find the **complete MUTCD** at <https://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/> or scan the QR code.



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