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Any facility offering parking for employees or visitors must provide accessible parking for people with disabilities. An accessible parking space consists of a vehicle space and a striped access aisle. The entire space must be kept clear of obstructions at all times, including ice, snow, shopping carts, trash cans, seasonal garden displays and bicycle racks.

### SPACE REQUIREMENTS

To comply with Illinois law, a minimum number of accessible parking spaces must be provided.

Total Off Street Parking Spaces Provided	Number of Accessible Parking Spaces Required
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 150	5
151 to 200	6
201 to 300	7
301 to 400	8
401 to 500	9
501 to 1,000	2% of total number
Over 1,000	20 plus 1 for each 100 over 1,000

### EXCEPTIONS

- Medical facilities specializing in treatment 20% of total number of parking spaces
- Outpatient medical facilities 10% of total number

### LOCATION

Accessible parking spaces must be placed on level pavement on the shortest accessible route to an accessible entrance. If a curb ramp already exists, the accessible space may be placed near the ramp, even if it means placing the space further from the accessible entrance. If a curb ramp is new, both the curb ramp and the accessible parking space must be placed closest to the accessible entrance. A curb ramp must never be built into the diagonally-striped access aisle of an accessible parking space.

### SIZE AND MARKINGS

Each accessible parking space, except on-street spaces, shall be 16 feet wide, with either an eight-foot wide or five-foot wide diagonally striped access aisle. A high quality yellow paint, manufactured especially for pavement striping, must be used. Adjacent accessible parking spaces can share a common access aisle.

### SIGNS

A U.S. Department of Transportation R7-8 (Reserved Parking) and a R7-1101 (\$250 fine) sign must be mounted on a permanent post no lower than five feet from the pavement. The post must be mounted in the center of the 16-foot wide accessible parking space, no more than five feet from the front of the parking space. Municipalities may impose a larger fine (up to \$350) through the adoption of a local ordinance.