**Parking**

**Overnight Street Parking**
Alternate side parking is in effect 2:30 AM - 6:00 AM on most City streets. Special restrictions apply in the Downtown Business District. Alternate side parking regulations do not replace more restrictive parking regulations. Visit StevensPoint.com/parking for more information.

**City Ordinance** 9.05(1)  Fine $25

**Parking Too Close to Fire Hydrant**
no person shall stop or leave any vehicle standing within 10 feet of a fire hydrant

**State Statute** 346.53(3)  Fine $15

**Parking Too Close to Driveway**
parking is prohibited within 4 feet of the entrance to an alley or a private road or driveway. Drivers must pay special attention especially after a snowfall when the driveways are not as easily identified.

**State Statute** 346.53(4)  Fine $15

**Parking Too Close to a Crosswalk**
parking is prohibited within 15 feet to the near limits of a crosswalk.

**State Statute** 346.53(5)  Fine $15

**Parked on Private Property**
no person may leave or park any motor vehicle on private property without the consent of the owner or lessee of the property.

**State Statute** 346.55(3)  Fine $15

**Parking On Property**
Vehicles must be parked on solid surface driveways. You must have the entire vehicle parked on the solid surface and not touching your lawn area or parked in front of a house/residence.

**City Ordinance** 21.03(13)a  Fine $15

*Contact the Community Development Department at (715) 346-1567 with questions or concerns.

**Bicycles**

**Licenses**
All bicycles operated on city streets need to be registered at the Police Department. Cost is $6 for a lifetime registration. The licenses assist Police in recovering lost or stolen bicycles and returning the bicycles to the owner.

**City Ordinance** 9.12(c)  Fine $73.60

**Responsibilities of Bicycles**
While operating on the roadway, bicycles have the same responsibility to follow all traffic laws as vehicles. For example:

**State Statute** 346.46(1) Fail to stop for stop sign  $150.10
**State Statute** 346.805 Fail to yield to pedestrians  $150.10
**Parties**

Suggestions to keep the Police Department from coming to your party:

#1 Be considerate of your neighbors
Talk with them before you host a party

Not everyone shares the same interest in music or activities. Keep the noise to a reasonable level. What might constitute a reasonable volume of acceptable noise is determined by conditions such as the type of neighborhood, time of day and day of week.

Keep the size of your gathering reasonable and controlled. It is often the behavior of unruly guests that causes a visit from the police. If guests are disruptive, you should ask them to leave. We can assist you if they refuse.

Know who your guests are. Opening your gathering to the public, or to people you don’t know, may allow the presence of some who don’t have your best interest in mind.

If you serve alcohol, be certain that your guests are of the legal drinking age. You are responsible and will be held civilly liable and criminally accountable if a problem occurs.

Selling alcoholic beverages, cups for beverages, or asking for a “donation” means that you are operating as a bar. You must be licensed to do so. Fines for violations are substantial.

Don’t encourage or allow your guests to become intoxicated or to leave your residence with alcoholic beverages. You may be held civilly responsible for any injury they incur or cause, and their presence outside with alcohol is a violation of city ordinance.

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**Typical Violations**

**Occupant Permitting Loud Noise**
*City Ord. 21.03(4) (14)* No owner or occupant of a building or premise shall permit, or allow any noise tending to unreasonably disturb the peace and quiet of persons in the vicinity. This includes, but is not limited to voices, music, engines, etc. **Fine $111.40**

**Provide Alcohol to Underage Person**
*City Ord. 12.14(1)* No one shall Procure for, Sell, Dispense, Give or otherwise provide alcohol beverages to a person under the age of 21 **Fine $313**

**Underage Alcohol Possession or Consumption**
*City Ord. 12.14(1)* No one under the age of 21 shall possess or consume alcohol beverages unless accompanied by parent or within scope of employment **Fine $187.00**

**Disorderly Conduct**
*City Ord. 24.01* In a public or private place, engages in violent, abusive, indecent, profane, boisterous, unreasonably loud, or otherwise disorderly conduct. **Fines $124–$250**

**Open Intoxicant on Public Way**
*City Ord. 24.03* No person may have in his or her possession any open can, bottle, or other vessel containing malt beverages or intoxicating liquor. **Fine $187**

**Urinating / Defecating in Public**
*City Ord. 24.35* It is illegal to urinate or defecate on any public way or on any private property without consent of the owner or occupant. **Fine $98.80**

**Littering**
*City Ord. 24.06* It is illegal to deposit any solid waste public or private property. **Fine $124**

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**Social Hosting**

*City Ord. 24.53* To discourage underage possession and consumption of alcohol, The City of Stevens Point holds persons civilly responsible who host events or gatherings, even if done within the confines of a private residence, where persons under 21 years of age possess or consume alcohol regardless of whether the person hosting the event or gathering supplied the alcohol. **Fine $439**

**Chronic Nuisance**

*City Ord. 24.51* Whenever the Police need to respond to a residence 3 or more separate times within a 60 day period for most nuisance activities, the owner of the property will be contacted and be required to make efforts to remedy the nuisance issues. If not resolved the property can be designated a chronic nuisance premises and owner can be issued a fine up to $2000

Nuisance activities include: Drug and Alcohol offenses, Excessive Noise violations, Harassment, Littering, etc

**NOTE** See Ordinances for full description. Fine Amounts subject to change and increase with additional offenses.

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