Summary of City of Oakland Regulations about Truck Routes and Truck Parking

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What are Truck Routes and Prohibited Streets?
Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 10.52 specifies where commercial vehicles (meaning trucks used to transport goods) can drive and where they are prohibited from driving.

A. Truck Routes
   Section 10.52.070: Through-Truck Route
   Section 10.52.120: Local Truck Routes
   • Covers truck travel between the Bay Bridge and the Oakland-San Leandro border.
   • Specifies certain streets and freeways which must be used by trucks over 20’ in length intended for the transportation of property, including tractor-trucks and trailers, when such trucks are driving within or across the city of Oakland.
   • These routes include specified city streets and freeways.
   • Signs authorizing the use of these streets as truck routes must be in place.
   • These through-truck and local truck routes are shown on the map on page 3 of this summary in BLUE.

B. Prohibited Streets
   Section 10.52.060: Trucks prohibited to use certain streets
   • Commercial trucks over 4.5 tons (which includes most commercial trucks larger than an SUV) are prohibited on the specified streets except for the purpose of loading and unloading. This must be properly sign posted on such streets. This means that such trucks are prohibited from using these specified streets unless they are loading or unloading their truck at a destination located on such a street.
   • The prohibited streets are shown on the map on page 3 of this summary in RED.

C. When can trucks leave the Truck Routes?
   Section 10.52.110: Deviations from through-truck routes
   Section 10.52.120: Deviations from local truck routes
   • Trucks are allowed to deviate from the truck routes provided that:
     - The purpose is to load or unload at their destination
     - Such deviation from the truck route is reasonably necessary
     - Such deviation must be done to have the minimum distance off the truck route.

Where is Truck Parking Prohibited?
Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 10.28 specifies where parking of both cars and trucks is allowed and where it is prohibited.

A. Trucks cannot park in residential districts
   Section 10.28.120: No commercial trucks can park in residential districts
• No truck, tractor, trailer or other commercial vehicle over 10,000 pounds shall park on a public street in a residential district. **This means that commercial trucks of a size larger than an SUV cannot park in a residential district, regardless of no signs be posted stating this.** Signs are NOT required when it’s a residential district.

B. **No parking of unattached trailers in locations where signs are posted**  
Section 10.28.160: Unattached trailer parking can be prohibited.  
• Parking of unattached trailers **CAN** be prohibited if the City Engineer determined that such parking is creating a nuisance, blight or a hazard.  
• Official signs must be posted prohibiting such parking.

C. **No parking of trucks in certain areas when designated by City Council**  
Section 10.28.140: No parking of commercial vehicles in certain areas  
• No truck, tractor, trailer or other commercial vehicle for more than five hours on a public street if the City Council determines by resolution that such parking is not allowed.  
• Official signs must be posted prohibiting such parking.

D. **No parking of cars or trucks on any city street for more than 72 hours**  
Section 10.28.030: Using streets to store cars or truck is prohibited.  
• No vehicle can park for more than 72 consecutive hours on any public street in Oakland.
Truck Routes and Prohibited Streets
In and around West Oakland
Refer to Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 10.52

Blue = truck routes which must be used by through-trucks
Red = prohibited to commercial trucks except when loading/unloading
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