

CODE OF ORDINANCES
City of SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

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(Supplement No. 68, Update 1)

Chapter 29 STREETS AND SIDEWALKS*

Sec. 29-11. Maintenance of sidewalks, parkways, curbs and driveways by abutting owners.

- (a)** It shall be the duty of any property owner, or person, firm or corporation making special use of any sidewalk, curb, parkway or driveway for purposes of ingress and/or egress, or regress for loading, unloading, loading elevators, downspout drains or any other specific use to keep the sidewalks, parkway, curb and driveway abutting said property in a good and safe condition and free from any defects and hazards.
- (b)** It shall be the duty of the owner of abutting property or any special user, upon receipt of written notification by the director of public works or any of his subordinates, of any defects or dangerous condition of any unsafe and dangerous defect in any sidewalk, curb, gutter, parkway or driveway to repair the same and put it in a safe condition, free from defect and hazard, within thirty (30) days from date of receipt of such notice.
- (c)** The abutting property owner or person enjoying the use of any property abutting upon any sidewalk, curb, parkway or driveway, or any abutting owner or person who is making special use of any sidewalk, curb, parkway or driveway which is or has become defective and has resulted in causing damage either to person or property or both as a result of such defective condition, shall be primarily liable and shall and will indemnify and save harmless the city from and against any and all actions, claims, damages, costs and expenses which may be suffered by the city all in such manner as to save the city whole and harmless from all such actions, claims, damages, costs and expense, and such primary liability and indemnity shall exist without regard to whether or not notice of injury, or of such defect has been given the city as provided by section 150 of article XII of the city charter.
- (d)** Any violation of this section or any provision hereof shall be deemed a misdemeanor and upon conviction, the person or persons found guilty shall be subject to the penalty prescribed in section 1-5.

(Code 1959, § 35-27.1)

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Chapter 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 1-5. General penalty; continuing violations.

Except for Chapters 5, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 19 and Articles III and IV of Chapter 34 and the Unified Development Code [Chapter 35], wherever in this Code or in any ordinance of the city an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or wherever in such Code or ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful, where no specific penalty is provided therefore, the violation of any such provision of this Code or any such ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00); however, violations of traffic laws codified in Chapter 19 of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Unless otherwise specified therein, violations established by ordinance and made part of the City Code under Chapters 5, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17 and Articles III and IV of Chapter 34 shall be punished by a fine not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00). Each day's violation of any ordinance or any provision of this City Code shall constitute a separate offense

Code 1959, § 1-5; Ord. No. 57452, § 2, 8-18-83; Ord. No. 66109, § 1, 11-19-87; Ord. No. 69740, §§ 1, 2, 6-29-89)

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Sec. 29-51. License required; application for license; numbering specifications; penalty.

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY*

***Editor's note:** Ord. No. 65513, § 2(d), adopted Aug. 13, 1987, provided in part for the deletion of former Div. 1, §§ 29-36--29-40 relative to general street numbering provisions. Former §§ 29-36--29-40 derived from Code 1950, §§ 52-2, 52-4--52-7; Code 1959, §§ 35-1--35-3.1, 35-4.3; Ord. No. 42254, §§ 1, 2, adopted May 24, 1973; and Ord. No. 57453, § 3, adopted Aug. 18, 1983

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DIVISION 2. STREET NUMBERERS

***Cross references:** Licenses and business regulations, Ch. 16; size and specifications for street numbers in subdivisions, § 35-4134.

Sec. 29-51. License required; application for license; numbering specifications; penalty.

- (a) License required. It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain, own or operate a business which engages in painting house or street numbers on curbs or driveway approaches for pay, or to paint house or street numbers on curbs or driveway approaches for pay, unless said person has been issued a license for such business from the city, or is an employee of such a licensed person.
- (b) Application for license, contents; fees; term, non-assignability.
 - (1) Application for such a license required by this division shall be made to the department of building inspections and shall contain the correct name and address of the applicant, including the office address and telephone number where the business may be contacted.
 - (2) The fee for the initial license shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)
 - (3) A license shall be good for one (1) year.
 - (4) A fee of twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) shall be charged for each annual renewal.
 - (5) No license issued pursuant to this division shall be assignable or transferable.

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DIVISION 2. STREET NUMBERERS (continued)

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(c) Street numbers. (continued)

(1) Numbering system. The numbering of all structures fronting on public streets shall be in conform with the following system:

- a.* Commerce Street, with its continuations to the city limits, shall divide the city north and south and the San Antonio River shall divide the city east and west. Each street crossing the established east and west base line (Commerce Street) shall have the word "north" or "south" prefixed to its name proper, according as the line of such street shall be north or south of such established east and west base line. Each street crossing the established north and south base line (San Antonio River) shall have the word "east" and "west" prefixed to its name proper, according as the line of such street shall be east or west of such established north and south base line
- b.* The odd numbers shall apply to the north and west sides of the streets, and the even numbers to the south and east sides of the streets. The first block will be numbered from 100 up, the second block from 200 up, the third block from 300 up, and so on.
- c.* Tracts of land longer than five hundred (500) feet that have not as yet been subdivided in blocks and streets will be allowed ten (10) numbers to approximately every two hundred fifty (250) feet.
- d.* The rectangular background shall be no more than twenty (20) inches in length.

(2) Conflicting street numbers. Any old number in conflict with the number given by the director of building inspections shall be removed and any person refusing or neglecting to remove the same shall be guilty of an offense.

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DIVISION 2. STREET NUMBERERS (continued)

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(c) Street numbers (continued);

(3) Where and by whom street numbers to be affixed.

- a.* To ensure uniformity and regularity in the numbering of structures, it shall be the responsibility of the owner of any structure fronting on a public street to place numbers on the structure in so conspicuous a manner that the number may be easily discernible from the opposite side of the street.
- b.* If any structure shall be located too far back from the street for a number on its front to be easily seen and read from the opposite side of the street, or the front of the structure is hidden, or the view obstructed by trees, plants, shrubbery or other objects, then the number of such structure and premises shall be placed on a plank or post in a conspicuous part of the premises whereon the structure is located.

(4) Size and specifications for street numbers.

- a.* Each street number shall be of any durable material.
- b.* All numbers painted on curbs or driveway approaches shall be black on a white rectangular background, or white on a black rectangular background, and of a durable and waterproof finish.
- c.* The numbers on curbs shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height, with the background at least one (1) inch higher than the digits, and extending at least one and one-half (1 1/2) inches beyond the digits on both ends. The width of the digits shall be in proportion to the height. A one (1) inch distance shall be maintained between figures.
- d.* The rectangular background shall be no more than twenty (20) inches in length.
- e.* The street numbers may be on the driveway approach or curb. If on the curbs, they shall be placed not more than two (2) feet from the driveway at the nearest point. If the lot has no front driveway, the numbers shall be centered on the lot.

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DIVISION 2. STREET NUMBERERS (continued)

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(c) Street numbers (continued);

(4) Size and specifications for street numbers (continued)

(d) Penalty for violation. It shall be unlawful for any person to paint or have an employee paint such numbers on curbs or driveway approaches without a license, or other than in accordance with this division. Upon conviction for violation hereof, a licensee shall be punished by fine of not less than one dollar (\$1.00) nor more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

Code 1959, §§ 35-4.1, 35-4.2; Ord. No. 57453, §§ 1--4, 8-18-83)

Editor's note: At the direction of the city, street numbering provisions as set out in Code §§ 35-4131--35-4134 (derived from Ord. No. 65513, § 2(i), adopted Aug. 13, 1987) have been transferred to Ch. 29, Art. II and at the discretion of the editor also set out within § 29-51©

Cross references: Similar provisions regarding subdivision street numbers, § 35-4131 et seq.

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