



# A resident's guide to driveway regulations



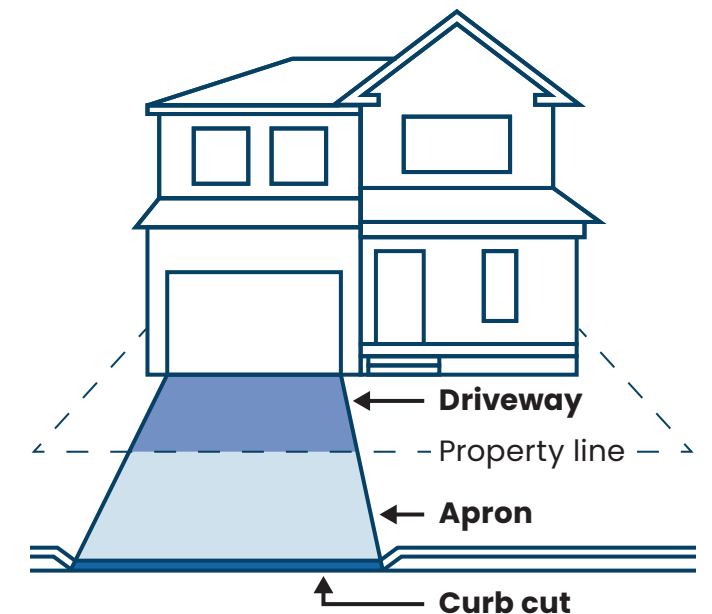
## What is a driveway?

A driveway is an asphalt, concrete or other approved hard surface that provides space to park vehicles on private property. It consists of three components:

- Driveway – located on private property
- Apron – Town-owned
- Curb cut – Town-owned

Driveway alterations are subject to Zoning bylaw standards. Apron alterations and curb cuts are subject to standards in both the Zoning bylaw and the Road Occupancy bylaw.

A walkway may be constructed beside a driveway leading from the curb or sidewalk to the front of a building. Walkways are not to be used for parking vehicles. Driveways and walkways should be kept in good condition to ensure everyone's safety.



## Questions?

### Contact the Town's Planning division

planning@orangeville.ca  
519-941-0440

### Regulation resources

- Orangeville Zoning By-law (1990-022)
- Road Occupancy By-law (2013-012)
- Traffic By-law (2005-078)
- Property Standards By-law (2022-021)
- Development and Municipal Servicing Standards



## What can I park in my driveway?

- A car or motorcycle
- A truck or bus (max. 7 metres long and 3.6 metres high)
- A recreation vehicle (RV) or snow vehicle
- A utility trailer or boat with accessory trailer

### Did you know?

Parking on driveway aprons is permitted, as long as the vehicle does not extend over the sidewalk, boulevard, or the road.

[orangeville.ca/Parking](https://orangeville.ca/Parking)

## Additional regulations

- One RV can be parked in your backyard or side yard.
- A maximum of two RVs or utility trailers combined, can be parked on a residential property.
- RVs and trailers must be parked at least 2 metres from the road (0.5 metres from a lane).
- RVs and trailers can be a maximum 3.6 metres in height, excluding additions like antennas.
- A commercial truck can only be parked for a maximum of 48-hours in any two-week period.
- Vehicles cannot be used as living accommodations.



# Making changes to your Residential Driveway

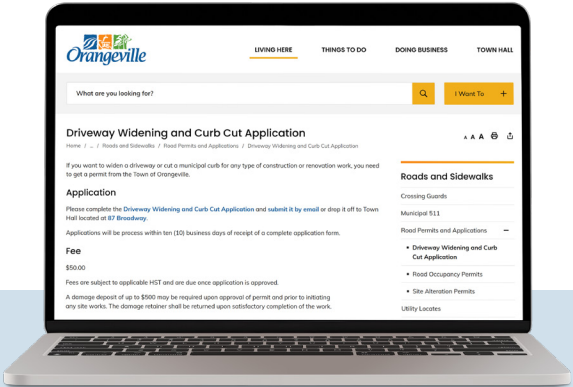
Expanding driveways creates more hard surfaces on the ground. Hard surfaces affect how rainwater drains and the amount of water that soaks into the ground, which may impact our drinking water supply. Wider driveways also make streets look crowded with parked cars and limits space for:

- fire hydrants
- street trees
- on-street parking
- snow storage

The requirements for making changes to your driveway depend on which part you want to change.

- A permit is required for changes to the area owned by the Town.
- The application for a driveway widening or curb cutting permit can be found at: [orangeville.ca/Driveways](http://orangeville.ca/Driveways)
- A permit is not required for changes on private property.

All driveway changes must not exceed the maximum allowable width permitted in the Zoning bylaw.



## Did you know?

- Driveways should always maintain a 2-metre clearance from any boulevard trees and utilities.
- Altering your driveway without following Town regulations can result in fines and/or the requirement to restore the area to an approved condition.

# Zoning bylaw requirements for driveways

One driveway is permitted in the front yard of a lot. The maximum allowable width depends on the frontage (or width) of the lot, as shown in Figure 2.

Lot frontage	Maximum width
Less than 6.7 metres	3.8 metres or 60% of lot frontage, whichever is less
6.8 to 8.9 metres	4 metres
9 to 12 metres	5.2 metres
12.1 to 15 metres	6 metres
Greater than 15 metres	8.5 metres or 50% of lot frontage, whichever is less

## Additional regulations

- A driveway with a maximum width of 6 metres may be permitted in the side or rear yard of a corner lot. If the driveway is connecting to a garage or carport, the width of the driveway can increase to match a wider garage or carport opening.
- Circular driveways are permitted on lots with a minimum lot frontage of 20 metres. The maximum width of the principal driveway is in accordance with Figure 2, the maximum width of the connecting arm is 4 metres.

## Did you know?

Residential properties are developed to provide a certain amount of parking as required by the Zoning bylaw. Parking spaces must be at least 2.7 metres wide by 5.5 metres deep. Spaces for Additional Residential Units (ARUs) can be slightly smaller at 2.6 metres wide. Driveway width rules still apply.

Figure 2: Lot frontage and maximum driveway widths

