# **2021 Virginia Construction Code**

**CHAPTER 11 ACCESSIBILITY** 

# SECTION 1106 PARKING AND PASSENGER LOADING FACILITIES

#### 1106.1 General.

Parking shall comply with Sections 1106.2 through 1106.8. Passenger loading zones shall comply with Section 1106.9.

#### 1106.2 Required.

Where parking is provided, accessible parking spaces shall be provided in compliance with Tables 1106.2(1) and 1106.2(2), as applicable, except as required by Sections 1106.3 through 1106.5. Where more than one parking facility is provided on a site, the number of parking spaces required to be accessible shall be calculated separately for each parking facility.

**Exception:** This section does not apply to parking spaces used exclusively for buses, trucks, other delivery vehicles, law-enforcement vehicles, or vehicular impound and motor pools where lots accessed by the public are provided with an accessible passenger loading zone.

TABLE 1106.2(1)
ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES FOR GROUPS A, B, M, R-1, R-2, and I<sup>a</sup>

TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED	REQUIRED MINIMUM NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE SPACES
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 125	5
126 to 150	6
151 to 200	7
201 to 30	8
301 to 400	9
401 to 500	10
501 to 1,000	2.33% of total
1,001 and over	23, plus one for each 100, or fraction thereof, over 1,000

a. Condominium parking in Group R-2 occupancies where parking is part of the unit purchase shall be in accordance with Table 1106.2(2).

TABLE 1106.2(2)
ACCESSIBLE PARKIN SPACES FOR GROUPS F, S, H, R-3, R-4, and U

TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED	REQUIRED MINIMUM NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE SPACES
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	2.0% of total
1,001 and over	20, plus one for each 100, 0r fraction thereof, over 1,000

1106.3 Groups I-1, R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4.

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Accessible parking spaces shall be provided in Group I-1, R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies in accordance with Items 1 through 4 as applicable.

- 1. In Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies that are required to have Accessible, Type A or *Type B dwelling units* or *sleeping units*, at least 2 percent, but not less than one, of each type of parking space provided shall be accessible.
- 2. In Group I-1 and R-1 occupancies, accessible parking shall be provided in accordance with Table 1106.2.
- 3. Where at least one parking space is provided for each *dwelling unit* or *sleeping unit*, at least one *accessible* parking space shall be provided for each *Accessible* and *Type A unit*.
- 4. Where parking is provided within or beneath a building, *accessible* parking spaces shall be provided within or beneath the building.

#### 1106.4 Hospital outpatient facilities.

At least 10 percent, but not less than one, of care recipient and visitor parking spaces provided to serve *hospital* outpatient facilities shall be *accessible*.

## 1106.5 Rehabilitation facilities and outpatient physical therapy facilities.

At least 20 percent, but not less than one, of the portion of care recipient and visitor parking spaces serving rehabilitation facilities specializing in treating conditions that affect mobility and outpatient physical therapy facilities shall be accessible.

#### **1106.6** Van spaces.

For every six or fraction of six accessible parking spaces, at least one shall be a van-accessible parking space.

**Exception:** In Group U *private garages* that serve Group R-2 and R-3 occupancies, van-accessible spaces shall be permitted to have vehicular routes, entrances, parking spaces and access aisles with a minimum vertical clearance of 7 feet (2134 mm).

#### 1106.7 Location.

Accessible parking spaces shall be located on the shortest accessible route of travel from adjacent parking to an accessible building entrance. In parking facilities that do not serve a particular building, accessible parking spaces shall be located on the shortest route to an accessible pedestrian entrance to the parking facility. Where buildings have multiple accessible entrances with adjacent parking, *accessible* parking spaces shall be dispersed and located near the accessible entrances.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. In multilevel parking structures, van-accessible parking spaces are permitted on one level.
- 2. Accessible parking spaces shall be permitted to be located in different parking facilities if substantially equivalent or greater accessibility is provided in terms of distance from an accessible entrance or entrances, parking fee and user convenience.

# 1106.8 Parking meters and pay stations.

Where parking meters and pay stations serve accessible parking spaces, such parking meters and pay stations shall be accessible.

# 1106.9 Passenger loading zones.

Passenger loading zones shall be accessible.

## 1106.9.1 Continuous loading zones.

Where passenger loading zones are provided, one passenger loading zone in every continuous 100 linear feet (30.4 m) maximum of loading zone space shall be *accessible*.

## 1106.9.2 Medical facilities.

A passenger loading zone shall be provided at an accessible entrance to licensed medical and long-term care facilities where people receive physical or medical treatment or care and where the period of stay exceeds 24 hours.

# 1106.9.3 Valet parking.

A passenger loading zone shall be provided at valet parking services.

# 1106.9.4 Mechanical access parking garages.

Mechanical access parking garages shall provide at least one passenger loading zone at vehicle drop-off and vehicle pickup areas.

### 1106.10 Identification of accessible parking spaces.

In addition to complying with applicable provisions of this chapter, all accessible parking spaces shall be identified by above grade signs. A sign or symbol painted or otherwise displayed on the pavement of a parking space shall not constitute an above grade sign. All above grade parking space signs shall have the bottom edge of the sign no lower than

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