Double Parking and Parking at Dropped Footways

Double Parking

You may not have realised but it is actually a contravention to double park (parked more than 50cm from the edge of the pavement, kerbline or edge of the road).

Therefore, any vehicle seen to be parked in this manner is liable to receive a penalty charge notice. Penalties for double parking are currently set at £70, which is reduced to £35 if paid within the discounted period.

Double parking applies when a vehicle is parked on any part of the carriageway and no part of the vehicle is within 50cm of the edge of the carriageway (kerbline) unless the vehicle is wholly within a marked parking bay.





Dropped Footway Parking

You may not have realised but it is actually a parking contravention to block or park across or next to a dropped kerb. Medway's Civil Enforcement Officers are therefore able to issue tickets to vehicles who park partly or completely over a dropped kerb.

Dropped kerbs are where the footpath has been lowered, to allow wheelchair and mobility scooter users, those with visual impairments, and pedestrians with trolleys and prams, to cross the road easily and safely. Dropped kerbs may also provide access to a property by enabling vehicles to cross the footpath into their private property.

Enforcement action will not be carried out where a vehicle is parked outside of a property with the occupier's consent. Anyone wishing to report a dropped kerb obstruction should contact Medway's Customer First team on 01634 333333. Please be aware that Civil Enforcement Officers do not have the power to remove any vehicle committing the offence.

There is no requirement for specific traffic signs or road markings to enforce this restriction.