California's new "daylighting" law

Assembly Bill (AB) 413

This law prohibits stopping or parking within 20 feet of a marked or unmarked crosswalk (even if a red curb is not present) or 15 feet of any crosswalk with a curb extension.



NO PARKING

Leave 20 feet between your vehicle & any crosswalk



Watch for updated curb markings and signs, avoid parking within the restricted zones, and spread the word to neighbors, friends, and visitors







The goal is to prevent traffic crashes and save lives by improving visibility at intersections for both pedestrians and drivers.



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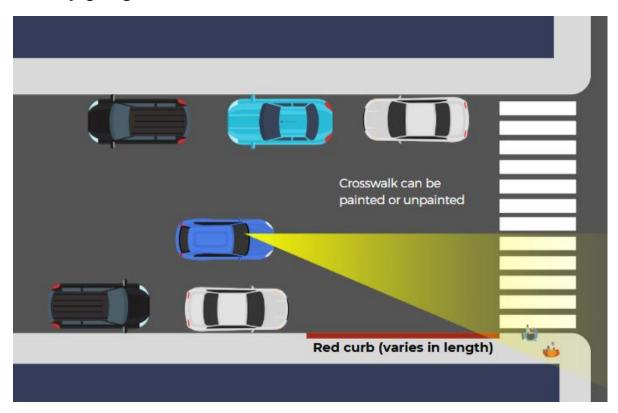
Starting January 1, 2025, it will be illegal in California to park within 20 feet of the vehicle approach of any marked or unmarked crosswalk, even if a red curb is not present, or 15 feet of any crosswalk where a curb extension is present.

California Assembly Bill 413 was signed into law in October 2023. Specifically, the law:

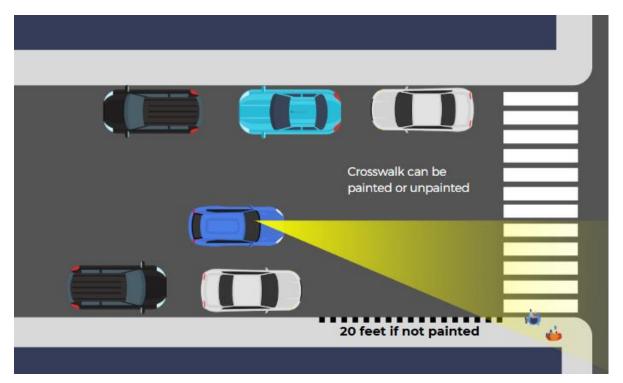
- Creates a new section of the <u>Vehicle Code</u>, <u>CVC 22500(n)</u>, which prohibits the stopping, standing, or parking of a vehicle within 20 feet of the vehicle approach side of any unmarked or marked crosswalk or 15 feet of any crosswalk with a curb extension anywhere in California.
- On a two-way street, only the space on the right-side approaching a crosswalk as one is driving is affected. However, on a one-way street, both the left and the right curb areas 20 feet from the crosswalk are no parking zones.
- Allows local jurisdictions to paint zones that are longer or shorter than 20 feet. If there is no red curb paint, the 20 feet distance still applies. 20 feet is about the length of a standard parking space or one large car-length.
- Prior to January 1, 2025, local jurisdictions may only issue warnings for violations, and may not issue citations unless the violation occurs in an area marked using paint or a sign.
- Starting January 1, 2025, local jurisdictions may begin issuing citations, whether or not signs or paint are present.

For more information on Assembly Bill 413, visit the California Legislature website.

How Daylighting Works



Daylighting with a red curb before the crosswalk



Daylighting with no red curb