Keep it Neighborly

CLEAR THE WALKWAY!

Help keep the sidewalk clear of vehicles, trash cans, and recycling bins for you and your neighbors:

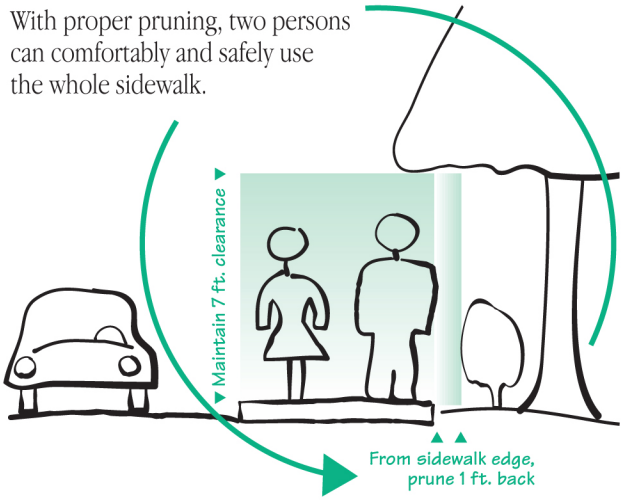
- Blocked sidewalks increase the likelihood of accidents, especially when vehicles and other obstructions force children, seniors, and less mobile residents into the street.
- Even partially obstructed sidewalks increase the likelihood of accidents. Vehicles jutting out of driveways limit sight distances and decrease room to squeeze by.
- Sidewalks can crack from the weight of parked vehicles, leading to expensive repairs. Also, oil leaks make for slippery sidewalks!

Help your neighbors and the City - don't park on the sidewalk. It's the law (RCW 46.61.570).

For information about keeping your sidewalk clear, call the Bellevue Transportation Department at (425) 452-6856.

To report parking violations, call the Bellevue Police Department at (425) 452-6917.

With proper pruning, two persons can comfortably and safely use the whole sidewalk.



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In our northwest climate, trees and shrubs grow quickly. Overgrown plants and low hanging branches can lead to head and eye injuries, or can force pedestrians to sidestep into oncoming traffic. To improve the safety of your sidewalk, be sure to:

- Prune trees to a seven foot vertical clearance.
- Prune one foot back from the edge of the sidewalk. The extra space allows your neighbors to use all of the sidewalk space more effectively and safely.
- Sweep away fallen leaves and other debris.
- Trim vegetation obstructing driveways or intersections to increase visibility of pedestrians and street signs.

Be neighborly - keep your sidewalk clear (BCC 14.06.010).

For more information, call the City of Bellevue Transportation Department at (425) 452-6856.

For technical information on how to properly prune, contact Bellevue's Parks and Community Services Department, Resource Management Division at (425) 452-6855.

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