

Get Into Downtown!

Travel Options & Resources



Carpool/RideShare

Commuter Help Desk and carpool partner matching (831) 429-POOL or www.commutesolutions.org



Emergency Ride Home Safety Net: (831) 426-5925 x134 or www.rideurance.org



Bus Service:

Metro Trip Planning (831) 425-8600 or www.scmttd.com/googletransit



Employer Sustainable Transportation Services (831) 426-5925 x127 or www.ecoact.org/Programs/Transportation/Membership_Services/index.htm



Car Share:

Zipcar (866) 4ZIPCAR or www.zipcar.com/ucsc



Bicycle Resources

Santa Cruz ParkCard for secure bicycle parking in lockers (831) 420-6100 or www.cityofsantacruz.com



Bike maps (831) 460-3200 or www.sccrtc.org

Important Phone Numbers

City Source 420-5134
Parking Office 420-6100
Parking Maintenance 420-5552
City Website www.cityofsantacruz.com

Disabled Persons Parking

Disabled person's parking placard or license plate holders may park for free at any parking meter, residential permit parking areas, and time-limited parking lots. Van-accessible spaces are clearly signed and marked along Pacific Avenue and in the off-street lots and garages.

Disabled person's placards or plates do not exempt you from the parking restrictions at white, yellow, and red zones. Parking fees are required at attended facilities, and pay-by-space lots and pay-n-display lots.

Parking Citations

If you receive a parking citation and believe it was issued in error, submit or mail a written explanation of why you feel you were cited in error to:

City of Santa Cruz Parking Office
124 Locust Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060
(831) 420-6100

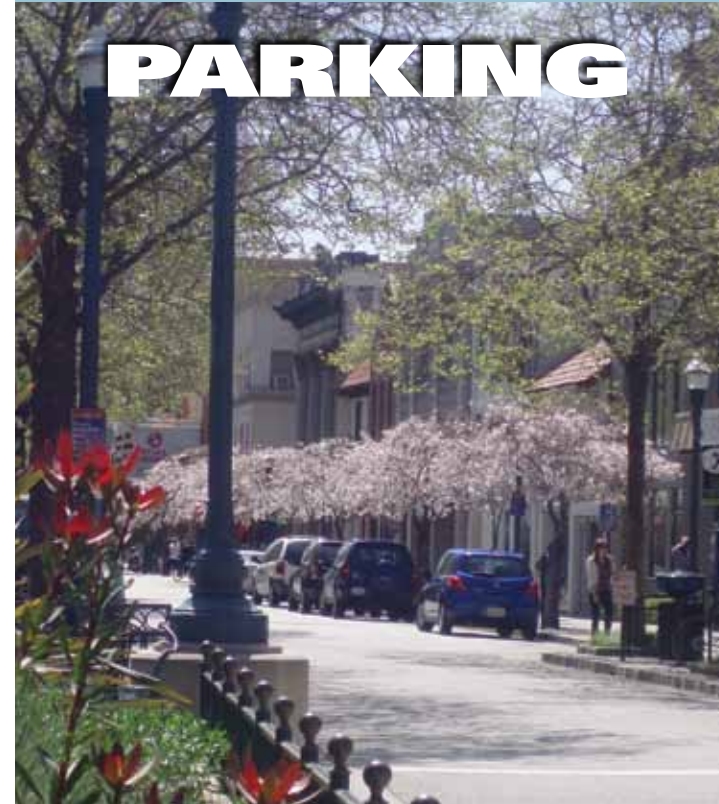
You must submit the citation for payment or request an administrative review within 21 days of receiving the citation or additional fines will be assessed.

Parking citations may also be paid online at www.cityofsantacruz.com.



Parking Maintenance

Report maintenance problems with a parking meter, pay station, change machine, bicycle locker, parking garage or surface lot to 420-5552.



PARKING





Free-Short Term Parking:

Available in designated downtown public parking lots.

2- or 3-hour time limits are enforced Monday through Saturday 8 AM to 6 PM and are not enforced on Sundays and City Holidays.

Pay Parking:

To park longer than 2–3 hours, park at one of our pay-by-space lots, pay-n-display lots, or an attended parking facility (Locust Garage, Soquel/Front Garage, or Santa Cruz Wharf).

Downtown pay-by-space pay stations accept credit cards, City of Santa Cruz ParkCards, or cash.

Beach area pay-n-display pay stations accept ParkCards and cash only.

Permit Parking

Permit Parking is available to downtown residents and employees throughout the City.

Contact the Parking Office at 420-6100 or visit the City’s website, Parking Services page: www.cityofsantacruz.com

Change Machines

Parking meter change is available at change machines located on Pacific Ave. in the Downtown area and at many locations in the Beach area (see map).

City of Santa Cruz ParkCard

ParkCards work in parking meters, pay stations, and bike lockers. Buy one at the Locust Garage Parking Office.

ParkCards allow you to pay for only the time that you use to park your vehicle. **Unused time is refunded to the card at parking meters and bike lockers!**

Metered Parking

Meters in the Downtown area operate everyday 9 AM to 8 PM. Beach area meters operate everyday 10 AM to 8 PM.

Meter time limits are color coded by the colored label on the meter housing or by the pole color.

Blue: Long-term meters with either a 10-hour or 12-hour time limit.

Gray: 6-hour time limit

Orange: 2-hour time limit

Brown: 1-hour time limit

Green: 20-, 24- or 30-minute time limit

City of Santa Cruz ParkCards are accepted at all Santa Cruz parking meters.

Downtown metered parking is free on the following City Holidays:

New Year’s Day, Martin Luther King’s Birthday, President’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veteran’s Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

Smart Bicycle Lockers

A Smart Bicycle Locker is a bike locker in downtown Santa Cruz that can be accessed by using a ParkCard.

For 3 cents per hour your bicycle will be safe and secure as you work, shop, and enjoy beautiful Downtown Santa Cruz. There are over 100 bicycle lockers available.

Loading Zones

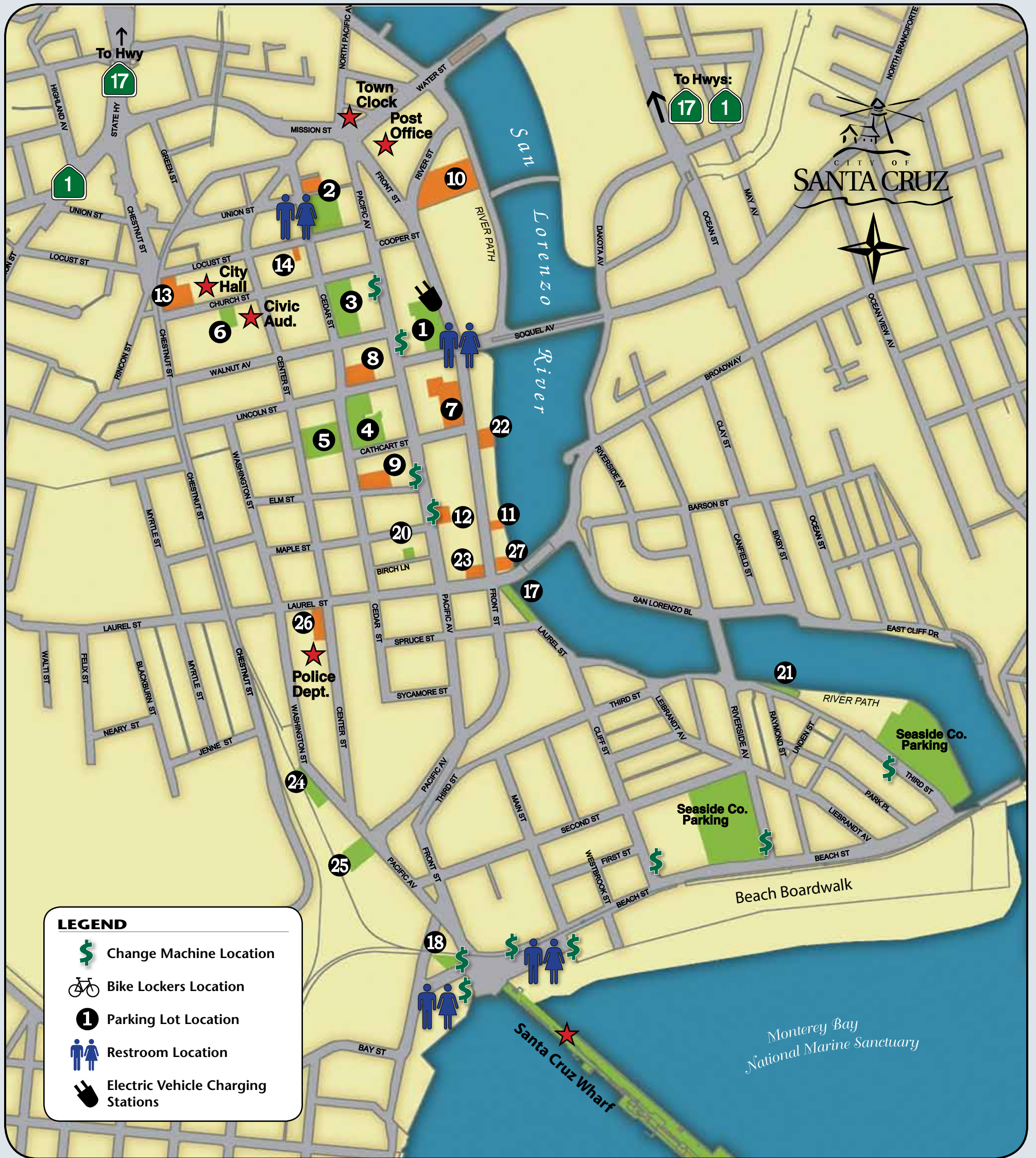
Passenger loading zones (white zones) are for passenger loading and unloading only for a maximum of 3 minutes, unless marked for longer stays.

Commercial loading zones (yellow zones) provide free parking of commercially plated vehicles making deliveries between 7 AM and 6 PM (except Sundays and City Holidays) for no longer than 20 minutes.

Dual use commercial loading zones combine a yellow zone with a 20-minute to 2-hour meter. Commercial vehicles may park for free to make deliveries between 7 AM and 1 PM (except Sundays and City Holidays) for no longer than 20 minutes.

After 1 PM the spaces are controlled by parking meters and both commercial and non-commercial vehicles may use the space and pay the meter fees.





FREE TIME-LIMITED PARKING



- 2 The Walnut Tree Parking Lot
- 7 Front/Cathcart Parking Lot
- 8 Pearl Alley Parking Lot
- 9 Elm/Cedar Parking Lot
- 10 River/Front Parking Garage
- 11 Front Street South Parking Lot
- 12 South Pacific Parking Lot
- 13 City Hall Parking Lot
- 14 Library Parking Lot
- 22 NIAC Parking Lot
- 23 Front/Laurel Parking Lot
- 26 Police Department Parking Lot
- 27 Laurel/Front Parking Lot

PAY PARKING



- Santa Cruz Wharf
- 1 Soquel/Front Parking Garage
- 2 Locust Parking Garage
- 3 Cedar/Church Parking Lot, **Pay-by-Space**
- 4 Cedar/Cathcart Parking Garage, **Pay-by-Space**
- 5 Calvary Church Parking Lot, **Pay-by-Space**
- 17 South of Laurel Parking Lot, **Permit Only**
- 20 Birch Lane Parking Lot
- 24 Depot Park North, **Pay-n-Display**
- 25 Depot Park South, **Pay-n-Display**
- Parking Lots with Metered Parking:**
- 6 Civic Auditorium Parking Lot
- 18 Beach Hill Parking Lot
- 21 Third and Raymond Streets Parking Lot