

Be a Good Neighbor

Skateboarders can preserve their right to skateboard on city streets by being a good neighbor.

Be thoughtful and courteous to your fellow citizens whether they are on foot, on a bike or in a car.

Be cognizant of being too loud and rambunctious when in a residential neighborhood.

By adopting this type of attitude you will be helping to create a “share the road” mentality with everyone.

This in turn will help to preserve skateboarding on the streets of Laguna Beach for generations to come!

Report Criminal Behavior

Although skateboarding regulation has been a controversial topic in our community, you should not be the subject of physical or verbal attacks.

Attempting to drive into a skateboarder is illegal. Incidents between drivers and skateboarders should be immediately reported to the police. Don't wait until you get home.

Criminal behavior will be thoroughly investigated.

Safe Skateboarding

Skateboarding can be an enjoyable physical activity, but can also be dangerous without proper protection. Skateboarders are required to wear approved helmets and are encouraged to wear knee pads, elbow pads, wrist guards and other appropriate equipment to prevent scrapes and injuries.

Do I have to wear a helmet?

Yes! Helmets are required for both adults and kids anytime and anyplace in Laguna Beach. A helmet similar to a bicycle or snowboarding helmet will meet the legal requirements and most importantly, keep you safe should you be involved in an accident!



For additional information or if you have questions about skateboarding, feel free to contact us at the

Laguna Beach Police Department

505 Forest Avenue

Laguna Beach, California 92651

(949) 497-0701 and press “1”

Or email us at

pdinfo@lagunabeachcity.net

The Laguna Beach Police Department

Local regulations and information concerning...

Skateboarding in Laguna Beach



Where and When is Skateboarding Allowed?

You can skateboard between one hour after sunrise until sunset. Skateboarding at night is prohibited.

There are a few streets where skateboarding is not allowed at any time due to poor visibility, steep grade, or excessive side streets and driveways. Those streets include:

- Third Street Hill (Park to Mermaid)
- Diamond Street above Carmelita
- Crestview Drive
- Temple Hills Drive
- Bluebird Canyon from Cress Street to Morningside
- Morningside from Bluebird Canyon to Rancho Laguna
- Summit Drive between Katella and Bluebird Canyon
- Alta Vista Way from Bonita Way to Solana Way
- Entire length of Skyline Drive

Skateboarding is not a crime!

Aside from the above streets and the sidewalks listed to the right, skateboarding is permitted everywhere else in Laguna Beach.

We want you to have fun but be careful and responsible as you do so.

Sidewalks and Parks

You should be extremely cautious about skateboarding on the sidewalk. Pedestrians and persons in wheelchairs have the right-of-way. In fact, it is illegal to skateboard within five feet of a pedestrian or person in a wheelchair.

Skateboarding on sidewalks is illegal in certain areas: downtown area between Aster and Legion from Main Beach to the Festivals; all sidewalks along Coast Highway; sidewalks along Glenneyre from Forest to Calliope; and sidewalks along Cliff Drive from the Art Museum to Beverly St.

It is also illegal to skateboard in City parks.

Skateboarding on the Street

- Obey basic traffic laws.
- Stop for stop signs.
- Slow to under 10 mph when riding through a blind intersection.
- Never skateboard over 25 mph.
- Stay to the right side of the center line of the roadway when skateboarding. If there is no center line, stay to the right of the center of the street.
- If a vehicle approaches from the rear, you must pull as close to the right side of the roadway as is practical.
- Do not pull skateboarders with your vehicle and do not hang onto a vehicle or attach yourself to a vehicle in any way.

Other Rules

- Jumps, acrobatics, hand stands, stunts, spins or other tricks are not permitted on public streets, sidewalks or other public property. In fact, you are required to skateboard standing up.
- Prone, luge, kneeling, or sitting is prohibited. You are a lot harder to see by drivers when you are in any position other than standing up.
- Do not put cones, ramps, trash cans, or other objects in the roadway to skateboard on, over, or around. Keep these items off the street!
- Skateboarding on railings, planters, retaining walls, other walls, or other structural features is illegal on public property and on private property without the permission of the owner.
- Remember to carry identification in the event you are involved in an accident. This will assist us in contacting your family.

If you have additional questions

If you do not understand the regulations or need more information, feel free to email us at:

pdinfo@lagunabeachcity.net

We would be happy to answer your questions or concerns.