

## **Plug-In Electric Vehicle Parking Code Example**

**Snapshot:** The California Vehicle Code (CVC) provides local governments the authority to place traffic control devices in their jurisdictions (including county highways) to guide, warn and regulate traffic as necessary to carry out the provisions of the CVC and local traffic ordinances. [Traffic Operations Policy Directive 13-01](#) includes several plug-in electrical vehicle signs and pavement markings for communities. These signs that restrict parking to PEVs, or limit the amount of time a vehicle can be parked, must be supported by local codes to become legally enforceable. The following example is adapted from the City of Santa Monica's [Municipal Code](#).

### **Parking Code Template**

The local government of \_\_\_\_\_, or designee, is authorized to designate parking spaces or stalls in an off-street parking facility owned and operated by \_\_\_\_\_ or the Parking Authority of the \_\_\_\_\_ for the exclusive purpose of charging and parking a vehicle that is connected for electric charging purposes.

When a sign provides notice that a parking space is a publicly designated electric vehicle charging station, no person shall park or stand any nonelectric vehicle in a designated electric vehicle charging station space. Further, no person shall park or stand an electric vehicle in a publicly designated electric vehicle charging station space when not electrically charging or parked beyond the days and hours designated on the regulatory signs posted. For purposes of this subsection, charging means an electric vehicle is parked at an electric vehicle charging station and is connected to the charging station equipment.