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When any building or structure is hereafter erected or structurally altered to the extent of increasing the floor area by 50 percent or more, or a building or use is changed or enlarged in floor area, number of employees, number of dwelling units, seating capacity or otherwise, to create a need for an increase of 10 percent or more in the number of existing parking spaces, or any building or structure hereafter erected is converted for the uses listed in Column 1 of the chart below in any zoning district, accessory off-street parking spaces shall be provided as required in Column 2 or Column 3 or as required in subsequent sections of this Article or these Regulations.

<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>	<b>Column 3</b>
<b>USE OR USE CATEGORY</b>	<b>SPACES REQUIRED PER BASIC MEASURING UNIT</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS</b>
One-family and two- family dwellings	2 per dwelling unit	
Apartments	2 per dwelling unit or 1.5 per efficiency unit	
Church, temple or similar place of assembly	1 per 5 seats or bench seat spaces (Seats in main auditorium only)	
College or high school	1 per 5 seats in main auditorium or 8 per classroom whichever is greater	
Elementary or nursery school	1 per 10 seats - main assembly room or 1 per classroom whichever is greater	

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Country club or golf club	To be determined by the Planning Commission and Governing Body	
Public library, museum art gallery, or community center	5 per building	Plus 1 additional each 300 sq. ft. of floor area in excess of 1,000 square feet
Private clubs- fraternities, sororities	2 per 3 beds or 1 per active member, whichever is greater	
Sanitarium - nursing or convalescent home – home institution for the aged or similar	1 per 5 patient beds	
Hotel	1 per guest room or suite	1 per 2 employees or staff members per shift
Tourist court - motel motor hotel - motor lodge	1 per sleeping room or suite	1 per 2 employees or staff members per shift
Rooming, boarding, lodging house or group home	2 per 3 beds	
Hospital	1 per 3 patient beds	1 per 2 employees or staff members per shift
Office or office building studio, or clinic	1 per 300 square feet of floor area	3 spaces minimum
Funeral home	1 per 5 seats in auditorium or chapel	

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Restaurant, tavern, drinking establishment or other establishment for consumption of food or beverage on the premises	1 per 3 seats or seating capacity	
Retail store or personal service establishment and banks	1 per 200 square feet of floor area	Retail stores over 4,000 sq. ft., 1 per 150 sq. ft. of floor area
Furniture or appliance machinery, equipment, and auto and/or boat sales and service	1 per 300 square feet of floor area	2 spaces minimum store, Auto and/or boat sales & service -10 minimum
Auditorium, theater, gymnasium, stadium, arena or convention hall	1 per 4 seats or seating spaces	
Bowling alley	5 per 1,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area	
Food storage locker	1 per 200 sq. ft. customer service area	
Amusement place, dance hall, skating rink, swimming pool, auditorium, or exhibition hall without fixed seats	1 per 100 sq. ft. of floor area	Does not apply to accessory uses
General service or repair establishment, printing, publishing, plumbing, heating	1 per 300 sq. ft. of floor area	

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Manufacturing or industrial establishment, research or testing lab, wholesale warehouse or similar establishment	2 per 1,000 square feet of floor area	

**23-102 INTERPRETATION OF THE CHART:**

1. The use regulations for each District are not affected by arrangement of uses in the chart.
2. The parking requirements in this Article do not limit other requirements in these Regulations for parking contained in the district regulations.
3. The parking requirements in this Article do not limit special requirements which may be imposed in connection with Conditional Uses, Article 28.
4. Floor area, as used in the chart, shall be as defined in Article 1, Definitions.
5. Where fractional spaces result, the parking spaces required shall be construed to be the next highest whole number.
6. The parking spaces required for a use not specifically listed in the chart shall be the same as for a listed use of similar characteristics with similar demands for parking as determined by the Zoning Administrator.
7. In the case of mixed uses (uses with different parking requirements occupying the same building or premises) or in the case of joint use of a building or premises by more than one use having the same parking requirements, the parking spaces required shall equal the sum of the requirements of the various uses computed separately.

**23-103 JOINT USE AND OFF-SITE FACILITIES**

All parking spaces required herein shall be located on the same lot with the building or use served, except that where an increase in the number of spaces is required by a change or enlargement of use or where such spaces are provided collectively or used jointly by two or more buildings or establishments, the required spaces may be located and maintained not to exceed 300 feet from the building served.

1. Up to 50 percent of the parking spaces required for (a) theaters, night clubs or cafes, and up to 100 percent of the parking spaces required for a church auditorium may be provided and used jointly by (b) banks, offices, retail stores, repair shops, service establishments and similar uses not normally open, used or operated during the same hours as those listed in (a); provided, however, that a written agreement is properly executed and filed as specified below.
2. In any case where the required parking spaces are not located on the same lot with the building or use served, or where such spaces are collectively or jointly provided and used, a written agreement thereby assuring their retention for such purposes shall be properly drawn and executed by the parties concerned, approved as to form by the appropriate County or City Attorney and shall be filed with the Zoning Administrator.

**23-104 DESIGN STANDARDS:**

1. An off-street parking space is an area not in a street or alley, being a minimum of 9 feet by 19 feet, exclusive of driveways or access drives, permanently reserved for the temporary storage of one motor vehicle and connected with a street or alley by an all-weather surfaced driveway which affords satisfactory ingress and egress for motor vehicles.
2. Entrances or exits for all parking facilities shall comply with the requirements of the appropriate County or City Engineer.
3. Screening shall be erected along any property line adjacent to or adjoining any single-family residence, two-family residence or multi-family residence to eliminate the passage of light from vehicles. Screening along side yards shall not extend nearer to the street than the front yard setback line.

**23-105 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS:**

1. All off-street parking spaces, and their access drives required for all commercial and industrial uses shall be paved with an asphalt or concrete surface and shall be maintained in good condition and free of all weeds, dust, trash and other debris. Said paving shall be completed before the activity or use can commence. The Rice County Joint Planning Commission may waive the paving requirement at the applicant's request, provided that the applicant can provide sufficient reasons and can show that such action would be in the community's best interest and would be keeping with the spirit and intent of these Regulations.
2. All off-street parking spaces, and their access drives, shall be planned and engineered to assure proper drainage of surface water. If a public storm sewer is available, drainage from such lot or parcel of land shall be conveyed to such sewer in a manner approved by the City. If a storm sewer is not available, positive drainage shall be provided for on such lot or parcel and discharge the same through defined drainage courses. No drainage shall be directed over adjoining lands unless approved by the appropriate County or City Engineer.

3. The Rice County Joint Planning Commission or the Governing Body may require plans to be prepared and presented to assure proper design and construction of any off-street parking spaces and their access drives, if conditions of the site are such that compliance with these requirements may be difficult or may pose a potential problem with adjacent properties, or if the proposed use will include parking needs for buses, tractor-trailer semis, or other such large vehicles. Additional spaces may be required or reserved to accommodate such vehicles and the Rice County Joint Planning Commission or Governing Body may require that the site plan show the location of such spaces.
4. When located in a residential district, parking shall not be permitted within a front yard setback.
5. If lighting facilities are provided, they shall be so arranged as to deflect or direct light away from any adjacent single-family residence, two-family residence or multi-family residence.
6. Parking areas shall have adequate guards to prevent the extension or the overhanging of vehicles beyond property lines or parking spaces; and parking areas shall be adequately marked with at least two (2) inch wide stripes of traffic paint, for channelization and movement of vehicles.
7. No business shall be conducted on any parking lot except when conducted in compliance with these Regulations.