

California's New DAYLIGHTING LAW (AB 413)



What Is Daylighting?

Daylighting is the simple concept that safety is improved by removing parked cars next to crosswalks. Assembly Bill 413 prohibits the stopping, standing, or parking of a vehicle within 20 feet of the vehicle approach side of any unmarked or marked crosswalk or 15 feet of any crosswalk where a curb extension is present. An unmarked crosswalk is defined as being any path between street corners, or between a street corner and sidewalk only if there are curb ramps on both sides.



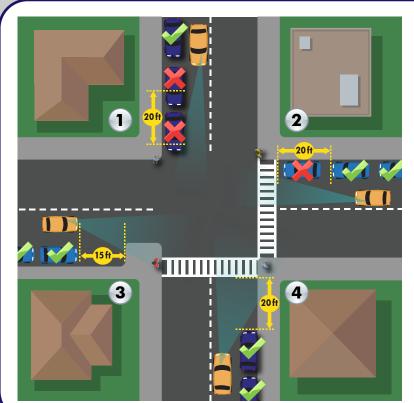
Why Is Daylighting Important?

The goal of the new law is to improve safety of all roadway users by increasing visibility at intersections. By keeping the area next to crosswalks clear of parked vehicle obstructions, people walking and people driving or riding on the street can see each other better.



When Did Daylighting Go Into Effect?

Starting on January 1, 2025, drivers could get cited for violating this law in California. The City of San Fernando is providing a grace period on the issuance of citations to help inform and educate the community on these new State mandated parking requirements. Any vehicle parked in a 'daylighting' position before April 1, 2025 will be issued courtesy notice explaining the new law and directed them to visit SFCITY.ORG/Parking for more information.



What Do You Need To Do?

Leave at least 20 feet (the length of one large car) between your car and marked or unmarked crosswalks (as shown in scenario 4). For curb extensions leave at least 15 feet between your car and the beginning of the curb extension (as shown in scenario 3).

Not leaving that clearance greatly reduces visibility (as shown in scenarios 1 and 2).

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