

**BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN  
Bucks County, Pennsylvania**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1239  
(Duly Adopted September 7, 2022)**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN AMENDING CHAPTER 15, “MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, OF THE BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES BY PROVIDING DEFINITIONS FOR A BATTERY ELECTRIC VEHICLE, ELECTRIC VEHICLE, ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION, AND HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE; AND BY PROHIBITING THE PARKING OF NON-ELECTRIC OR NON-CHARGING VEHICLES IN SPACES DESIGNATED AS ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF.**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Quakertown is a Pennsylvania Borough organized and operating pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;

**WHEREAS**, Quakertown Borough Council, under and pursuant to the Borough Charter, the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, and the Pennsylvania Borough Code at 8 Pa.C.S.A. §1202(31), has the power to manage parking in the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, said Borough Council deems it necessary and advantageous to adopt the within Ordinance as an exercise of this power.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED** by the Quakertown Borough Council, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and the same is hereby ordained and enacted as follows, to wit:

**ARTICLE I.    DEFINITIONS**

Chapter 15, Part 1, §101 “Definitions and Interpretation” of the Quakertown Borough Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to include new paragraph 5 to read entirely as follows:

5.    The following definitions shall apply for this Chapter:

**Battery Electric Vehicle:** Any vehicle that operates exclusively on electrical energy from an off-board source that is stored in the vehicle’s batteries and produces zero tailpipe emissions or pollution when stationary or operating.

**Electric Vehicle:** Any vehicle that is licensed and registered for operation on public and private highways, roads, and streets; either partially or exclusively, on electrical energy from the grid, or an off-board source that is stored on-board via a battery for motive purpose, including, but not limited to, battery electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

**Electric Vehicle Charging Station (EVCS):** A public parking space that is served by battery charging station equipment that has as its primary purpose the transfer of electric energy (by conductive or inductive means) to a battery or other energy storage device in an electric vehicle. Such spaces shall be solely used for the charging of Electric Vehicles.

**Hybrid Electric Vehicle (HEV):** Any vehicle powered by an internal combustion engine in combination with one or more electric motors which operate exclusively on energy from an off-board source stored on-board via a battery for motive purpose.

**ARTICLE II. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS**

Chapter 15, Part 4, “General Parking Regulations”, §407 “Special Purpose Parking Zones Established; Parking Otherwise Prohibited” is hereby amended to read entirely as follows:

**§407 Special Purpose Parking Zones Established; Parking Otherwise Prohibited.**

1. The following are established as special purpose parking zones, and it shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or to allow it to remain parked, in any such zone, except as specifically provided for that zone:

<b>Street</b>	<b>Side</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Authorized Purpose or Vehicle</b>
Fifth Street	West	Park Avenue and a point 650 feet south of Park Avenue	Bus loading and unloading
Park Avenue	South	Fifth Street and a point 400 feet west of Fifth Street	Loading and unloading
Seventh Street	East	From driveway south of the Elementary School to the alley north of the Elementary School	Loading and unloading (7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Sundays and legal holidays)
So. Tenth Street	West	A point 132 feet South of Broad Street to a point 234 feet South of Broad Street (Only during 8:15 to 8:45:00 a.m., and 2:15 to 3:00 p.m.)	School bus loading and unloading

2. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. Wherever a parking space is marked off or otherwise designated as an Electric Vehicle Charging Station, it shall be a violation of this Part for any vehicle other than an Electric Vehicle to park or remain parked in such a space, and it shall be a violation of this Part for an Electric Vehicle to park or remain parked in such a space when not charging.

**ARTICLE III. REPEALER**

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**ARTICLE IV. SEVERABILITY**

If any sentence, clause, section, or part of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality, illegality, or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Quakertown Borough Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section, or part thereof not been included therein.

**ARTICLE V. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.