



Sample: Anti-Idle Policy on Company/Agency Property

Statement of Purpose

This policy seeks to reduce air pollution and individual exposure to vehicle exhaust by discouraging unnecessary idling of vehicles on property owned, operated or managed by [\(name of company, municipality or organization\)](#).

Background

Air pollution, particularly ground-level ozone, is an immediate and ongoing concern in the [\(location name\)](#). It impacts citizen health, economic growth and quality of life. Vehicle exhaust including exhaust from idling vehicles, contributes significantly to air pollution.

Statement of Policy

Drivers are advised to turn off vehicles when parked on property owned, operated or managed by [\(name of company, municipality or organization\)](#) and not re-start vehicles until necessary to depart. This policy applies to all vehicles, including vehicles owned and operated by [\(name of company, municipality or organization\)](#), vehicles operated by employees of [\(name of company, municipality or organization\)](#), vehicles delivering goods and services to [\(name of company, municipality or organization\)](#) and vehicles operated by visitors of [\(name of company, municipality or organization\)](#).

[\(Name of company, municipality or organization\)](#) shall notify its customers and visitors of this policy by:

- Posting "Turn Off Your Engine/No Idle Zone" street signs where they can be easily seen by vehicles parked at [\(name of company, municipality or organization\)](#)
- Posting "Turn Off Your Engine and No Idle Zone" posters and window stickers, as appropriate, on the premises.
- Providing literature on the benefits of not idling. (Available from PAMZ)
- Including this message in mailings, newsletters, bill inserts, and other customary means of communicating with customers and visitors.

Exemptions

The request that a driver turn off a vehicle and refrain from idling does not apply for the period or periods during which idling is necessary under the following circumstances:

1. To provide for the safety of vehicle occupants, such as in cases of extreme hot or cold conditions (e.g. to run the air conditioner or heater under extreme heat or cold).
2. To use lift equipment or other equipment necessary to accommodate individuals with one or more disabilities.
3. When specific traffic, safety, or emergency- situations arise.

In any of the above exemption cases, if equipment can be run from the battery, drivers should refrain from idling unless there is a significant concern of draining the battery.

Implementation

This policy shall be effective immediately from the date of signature.

Dated the [XX](#) day of [XXX 20XX](#).

Signatures

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