

PROHIBITIONS & TRANSIT

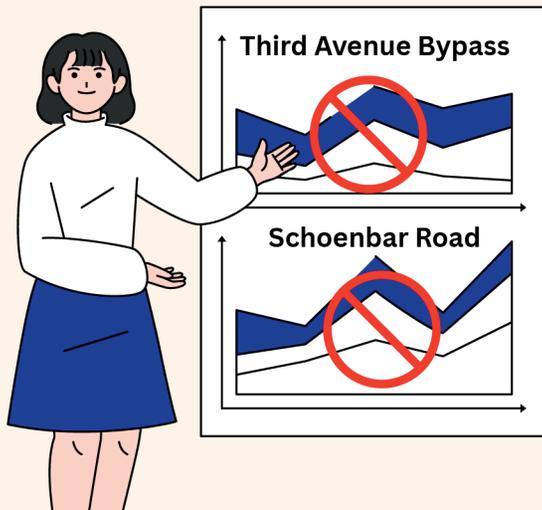
Restricted Routes

To manage traffic flow, sightseeing vehicles are prohibited⁴ from using:

- Third Avenue
- Schoenbar Road
- Mountain Point boat launch

Shuttle Services

Operating a vehicle as a "shuttle"⁵ is prohibited within city limits unless the service is provided entirely free of charge.



RESOURCES

Questions?

Public Vehicle Permit - contact the City Clerk's office at (907) 228-5604

Port Pass - contact Port & Harbors office at (907) 228-5632

Concerns & Feedback

If you have concerns or need to report a complaint, please contact:

Tourism Best Management Program (TBMP)

Phone: 907-225-8267 (TBMP)

Email: hotline@KetchikanTBMP.info



Notes

1 KMC sec. 5.40.010

2 KMC sec. 13.08.020

3 KMC sec. 9.54.040

4 KMC sec. 5.40.021

5 KMC sec. 5.40.010



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PORT PASS & PUBLIC VEHICLE OPERATOR'S GUIDE

*City of Ketchikan, Alaska
Annual Registration &
Operational Guidelines*

An essential guide for professional sightseeing services, ensuring a smooth experience for operators and visitors alike.



REGISTRATION & REQUIREMENTS

Getting Started

Per the Ketchikan Municipal Code, all public vehicle¹ tour operators & port pass² holders must register every year.

1.) For vehicles used as part or all of a tour, you should get your **Public Vehicle Permit first**

Pick up an application at the City Hall Clerk's Office or online at www.ketchikan.gov/PublicVehiclePermitandAdditionalInformation

2.) To enter the Port of Ketchikan apply for a Port Pass online at <https://www.ketchikan.gov/port>

For comprehensive details on fees, mandatory insurance levels, and specific code requirements, please refer to:

ecode360.com/KE4496/home

Enter search terms public vehicle or port pass



SALES & SOLICITATION

To maintain a professional atmosphere for our guests & residents, the following off-premise solicitation³ / "anti-hawking" rules are in effect:

- **Signage:** You may display a sign inside your vehicle stating you are open for tours.
- **Pricing:** Signs may not list the price of the tour nor include advertising.
- **Location:** No selling is permitted outside the vehicle. You may not stand on sidewalks, the port, or any municipal property to solicit.
- **Customer Interaction:** Operators must wait to be approached by a customer. **Barking and hawking from the vehicle is strictly prohibited.**



PARKING GUIDELINES

Municipal Parking

Always follow posted signage & instructions from parking enforcement officers.

- **The Rock Statue Lot:** Limited to 30 minutes. Drivers may leave their vehicles briefly to gather customers or use the restrooms. Immediately move forward.
- **2-Hour Locations:** Park for the time limit, then move to another space (may be in same lot).
- **No Private Spaces:** There are **no** private or reserved parking spots for individuals or businesses in municipal lots or spaces.
- **Front Street Extension:** This area is for active loading only. You must remain with your vehicle at all times and immediately move forward.
- **Top of Daly Float:** Small vehicle 10 minute pick-up/drop off only.

Port Use

Always follow instructions of port security officers.

- **No Parking:** 30 minute active loading and unloading only. Drivers **MUST** stay with vehicle.
- **Enter Only:** Dock Street & Schoenbar Court.
- **Transiting:** 5 MPH speed limit and hazard lights must be on.

Pick-up/Drop-off Zones

Download at: ketchikan.gov/port
ketchikan.gov/Tourism
ketchikan.gov/PublicVehiclePermit