



## City of New Orleans

# Driveway / Curb Cut Permit Requirements

Before beginning your application, please review the following requirements to ensure your proposed driveway or curb cut meets City of New Orleans Department of Public Works standards. Meeting these design and construction requirements helps prevent delays during the permitting and inspection process.

## Driveway Design Standards

- **Rollover Curb Driveways**
  - Curb flare must extend at least 3 feet between the curb and property line on each side of the driveway.
  - **Single-lane driveways:** Maximum width 12 feet at the property line.
  - **Two-lane driveways:** Maximum width 24 feet at the property line.
- **Vertical Curb Driveways**
  - Driveway curb radius must be between 4 feet (minimum) and 12 feet (maximum).
- **Thickness Requirements**
  - **Standard driveways:** Minimum 6 inches thick.
  - **Heavy-duty driveways:** Minimum 8 inches thick.
- **Concrete Specifications**
  - Must be Portland cement concrete with a compressive strength of 4,000 psi at 28 days.
  - Mix must contain at least 6 bags of cement per cubic yard.
- **Clearance Requirements**
  - Driveways must be free of conflicts with utilities or fixed features such as fire hydrants, trees, poles, or mailboxes.
  - Maintain at least 18 inches from all fixed utilities.
  - Maintain at least 20 inches from the edge of an intersection corner.
  - Maintain at least 3 feet from the neighboring property line.

## Driveway Apron Standards

- **Sidewalk Slope Requirements**
  - **Cross slope:** Maximum 2%
  - **Running slope:** Maximum 5%

- **Ramp slope:** Maximum 8.33%
- **Reinforcement**
  - Driveway and affected sidewalk must include reinforcement per standard drawing:  
*Highway Gage Mesh 6x12-W7.5 x W6.5 (WWF)*
- **Drainage**
  - Catch basins located within the apron area must be converted to drop inlets.