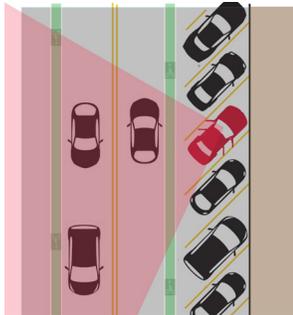
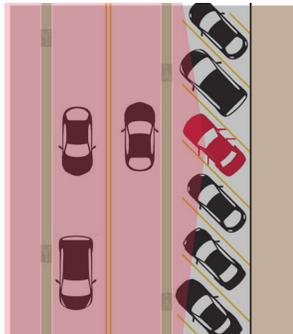


# Back-In Angled Parking

“Back in Angled Parking” has been frequently implemented in cities across the United States since 2000. In most cases, it has proven to be safer for vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians, especially on roadways with less than 10,000 vehicles per day.



**Fields of Vision**



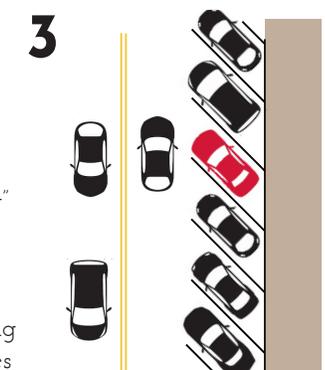
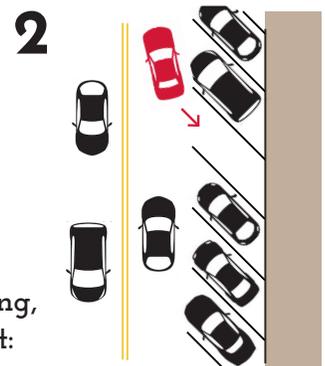
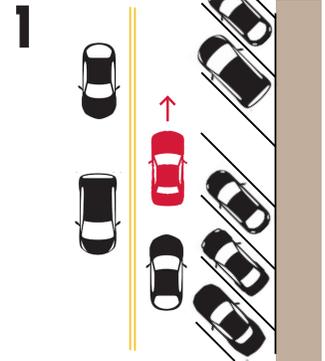
## Advantages:

- Easier to exit than pull-in angled parking
- Reduces vehicular parking-related accidents
- Significantly reduces bicycle-related crashes
- Larger field of vision than pull-in angled parking
- Simpler maneuver than parallel parking
- Trunk of vehicle faces sidewalk for safer unloading
- Vehicle doors open towards sidewalk

## Disadvantages:

- More difficult to enter than pull-in angled parking
- Requires a learning curve due to unfamiliarity
- Rear of vehicles can encroach onto sidewalk
- Exhaust of idling vehicles blows towards sidewalk
- Requires additional explanatory signage
- Can cause cause traffic backup when parking

## Parking Steps



For safety reasons, several local cities have implemented back-in angled parking, including Syracuse, Auburn, and Rochester. City Officials have told B&L that:

“We have had no complaints or issues with regard to the reverse angled parking. I am a proponent of the style, since it allows for direct eye contact between drivers pulling out of the parking space and the drivers of oncoming traffic.” -Director, City of Rochester Bureau of Parking

“It took some time for people to get used to it but I am not aware of any collisions relating to the maneuver. From a business perspective there was concern initially that people would be discouraged from going downtown but I haven’t seen that. I believe it works well and is better from a safety standpoint since a motorist is pulling out, but it did get met with public opposition initially” -Deputy Police Chief, City of Auburn

The key is to educate and bring awareness regarding the benefits of the back-in angled parking and identify to all how to make the maneuver. My personal observations reveal that the parking downtown is full at nights and weekends when activities are occurring and all but a few vehicles adhere to the parking correctly. There are people who are not comfortable making the maneuver and choose to park on other streets downtown” -Executive Director, Business Improvement District, City of Auburn