



A friendly reminder...

Burlington has an anti-idling by-law that limits unnecessary idling to three minutes.

Do you know that vehicle emissions are one of the leading causes of today's environmental problems? Acid rain, urban smog and climate change are just a handful of the serious environmental dangers that our vehicle emissions contribute to.

You can do your part to reduce vehicle emissions by avoiding all unnecessary idling. Idling is harmful to your health, our environment and your engine.

If you are stopped for more than three minutes, turn your engine off and spare our air.



**City of Burlington
by-law 71-2004**

**This by-law becomes a
fineable offence on
May 2, 2005.**

Spare our air. Stop unnecessary idling.

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Myths & Reality

I have to idle. My engine needs to warm up before I drive.

The best way to warm up your vehicle is to drive it. Today's modern engines need no more than 30 seconds of idling on winter days before you start to drive.

Idling is good for my engine.

Excessive idling can actually damage your engine's components, including cylinders, spark plugs and the exhaust system.

Turning off my vehicle is hard on my engine and restarting my vehicle uses more fuel than if I just left it running.

Actually restarting your vehicle has very little impact on your engine components such as the battery and starter motor. If you idle for more than 10 seconds you will use more fuel than if you turn your vehicle off and restart.