

Illegal parking in Beijing to face double punishments



Drivers parking illegally in Beijing may get double punishments. [File Photo]

Drivers parking illegally in Beijing may get double punishments if a new draft regulation is finalized, Beijing News reported.

According to the draft launched by the Legal Affairs Office of the People's Government of Beijing Municipality and open for public opinion from April 11 to May 10, a driver who parks their car illegally in a non-designated spot may be fined 200 yuan (\$29), and have three demerit points included on their driver's license.

In China, drivers will be disqualified from driving after accumulating 12 demerit points, according to current law. The city's traffic administration displays "No Parking" signs at busy roadsides and places around hospitals and shopping centers, the report said.

With seven sections and 61 rules, the draft also sets regulations on issues

such as the planning and construction of parking facilities, and has specifications on companies that provide parking services.

The new regulation may take effect this year, according to the Beijing Municipal Commission of Transport.

This will be the capital's first local law focusing on parking management.