Help keep the District’s air clean and avoid fines that start at $500.
ENGINE IDLING LAW

You may not idle your engine for more than 3 minutes (or 5 minutes if it’s below freezing outside). This includes government owned vehicles.

EXEMPTIONS:

• Private, non-commercial passenger vehicles

• When necessary to operate power equipment such as refrigerators, loaders, shredders, etc.

The fine is $500 for a first offense (fines double for further offenses).