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GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 70.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

ALLEY. A thoroughfare through the middle of a block.

AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLE. Vehicles of the town's Fire Department, police vehicles and ambulances and emergency vehicles of municipal departments or public service corporations as are designated or authorized by the Chief of Police.

BICYCLE. Every device, propelled by human power upon which any person may ride, having two tandem

wheels either of which is over 20 inches in diameter.

BLOCK. A portion of any street located between any two intersections of any two streets or public alleyways next adjacent to each other.

BUSINESS DISTRICT. The territory contiguous to and including a highway, when within any 600 feet along the highway there are buildings in use for business or industrial purposes, including but not limited to hotels, banks, or office buildings, railroad stations, and public buildings which occupy at least 300 feet of frontage on one side or 300 feet collectively on both sides of the highway.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE. Every vehicle designed, maintained or used primarily for the transportation of property.

CONTROLLED-ACCESS HIGHWAY. Every highway, street or roadway in respect to which owners or occupants of abutting property or lands and other persons have no legal right of access to or from the same, except at points only and in a manner as may be determined by the public authority having jurisdiction over the highway, street or roadway.

CROSSWALK. The portion of any street or roadway ordinarily included within the prolongation or connection of the lateral lines of sidewalks at intersections. Any portion of a roadway or street distinctly indicated for pedestrians crossing by lines or other markings on the surface of the street or roadway.

CURB LOADING ZONE. A space adjacent to a curb reserved for the exclusive use of vehicles during the loading or unloading of passengers or materials.

DRIVER. Every person who shall drive or who shall be in actual physical control of the operation of any vehicle.

FREIGHT CURB LOADING ZONE. A space adjacent to a curb for the exclusive use of vehicles during the loading or unloading of freight or passengers.

INTERSECTION.

(1) The area embraced within the prolongation or connection of the lateral curb lines, or, if none, then the lateral boundary lines of the roadways of the two highways which join one another at or approximately at right angles, or the area within which vehicles traveling upon different highways joining at any other angle may come in conflict.

(2) Where a highway includes two roadways 30 feet or more apart, then every crossing of each roadway of the divided highway by an intersecting highway shall be regarded as a separate intersection. In the event the intersecting highway also includes two roadways 30 feet or more apart, then every crossing of two roadways of the highways shall be regarded as a separate intersection.

LANED ROADWAY. A roadway which is divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for vehicular traffic.

MOTORCYCLE. Every motor vehicle having a saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, but excluding a tractor.

MOTOR VEHICLE. Every vehicle which is self-propelled and every vehicle designed to run upon the

streets which is pulled by a self-propelled vehicle.

OFFICIAL TIME STANDARD. Whenever certain hours are named herein they shall mean standard time or daylight saving time as may be in current use in this town.

OFFICIAL TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICE. Any sign, signal, marking or device, not inconsistent with this chapter, placed or erected by authority of the governing body by a designated official having jurisdiction through authority given by the governing body, for the purpose of regulating, warning, prohibiting or guiding traffic upon the public streets and thoroughfares of the town.

OFFICIAL TRAFFIC SIGNALS. Any device, whether manually, electrically or mechanically operated, whereby traffic is alternately directed to stop and to proceed, or to turn, or to proceed with caution.

PARK. The standing of any vehicle, whether occupied or unoccupied, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers or cargo.

PASSENGER CURB LOADING ZONE. A place adjacent to a curb reserved for the exclusive use of vehicles during the loading or unloading of passengers.

PEDESTRIAN. Any person afoot.

PERSON. Every natural person, firm, co-partnership, association or corporation.

POLICE OFFICER. Every peace officer of the town, including every employee of the town authorized and empowered to regulate traffic and to make arrests for any violations of the provisions of this chapter.

PRIVATE ROAD or DRIVEWAY. Every way or place in private ownership and used for vehicular travel by the owner and those having express or implied permission from the owner, but not by other persons.

PUBLIC CONVEYANCE. Any vehicle other than a taxicab or railroad train for transporting persons for a fare.

RESIDENCE DISTRICT. The territory contiguous to and including a highway not comprising a business district when the property on a highway for a distance of 300 feet or more is in the main improved with residences or residences and buildings in use for business.

RIGHT-OF-WAY. The privilege of immediate use of the street or roadway.

ROADWAY. That portion of a street or highway improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular travel, exclusive of the berm or shoulder. In the event a highway includes two or more separate **ROADWAYS**, the term shall refer to any **ROADWAYS** separately, but not to all roadways collectively.

SAFETY ZONE. The area or space officially set apart within any roadway for the exclusive use of pedestrians and which space shall be so protected or marked or indicated by visible and adequate markers or signs as shall be visible at all times while so set apart as a safety zone for pedestrians.

SIDEWALK. The portion of a street between the curb lines, or the lateral lines of a roadway, and the adjacent property lines intended for the use of pedestrians.

STANDING. Any stopping of any vehicle, whether or not the vehicle is occupied during the period of stopping.

STOP. When required, means the complete cessation of movement of any vehicle. **STOP** or **STOPPING**

when prohibited, means any stopping of any vehicle, except when the **STOPPING** means that it shall be necessary to **STOP** the vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of any peace officer of the town or by reason of any traffic-control sign or signal or by reason of any emergency.

STREET and **HIGHWAY**. The entire width between property lines of every way or place of whatever nature, when any part thereof is open to the use of the public as a matter or right for the purposes of vehicular traffic.

THROUGH HIGHWAY. Every street or highway or portion thereof at the entrances to which vehicular traffic from intersecting streets or highways is required by law to stop before entering or crossing the same and when stop signs are erected as provided in this chapter.

TRAFFIC. Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles of all kinds, conveyances, tractors, bicycles, motorcycles and the like, either singly or together, while using any street or alleyway for travel, including the operation of, the loading or unloading of or the parking of any vehicle upon any of the public streets of the town.

TRAFFIC BUREAU. The traffic division of the Police Department of this town or in the event a traffic division is not established, then the term whenever used herein, shall be deemed to refer to the Police Department of this town.

TRUCK. A free-wheeled vehicle having dual tires on one or more axles, or having more than two axles, designed for the transportation of cargo rather than passengers. Includes tractor-trucks, trailers and semi-trailers when used in combination. Excludes those two-axle, four-tired vehicles that may be classified as a **TRUCK** for registration purposes, but which have operating characteristics similar to those of a passenger car.

VEHICLE. Every device used in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon any street within the corporate limits, and for the purposes of this code, any bicycle shall be deemed a vehicle.

('77 Code, § 7-1001)

§ 70.02 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES TO OBEY REGULATIONS.

The provisions of this chapter applicable to the drivers of vehicles upon streets shall apply to the driver of any vehicle owned by or used in the service of the United States government, this state or any other state, or any county or city. It shall be unlawful for any driver to violate any provisions of this chapter, except as otherwise permitted in this chapter or by state statute.

('77 Code, § 7-1022) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.03 AUTHORITY OF POLICE AND FIRE OFFICIALS.

(A) (1) It shall be the duty of the officers of the Police Department or officers as are assigned by the Chief of Police to enforce all street traffic laws and all of the state vehicle laws applicable to street traffic.

(2) Officers of the Police Department or officers as are assigned by the Chief of Police are hereby authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand, or signal in conformance with traffic laws, provided that, in the event of a fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or to safeguard pedestrians, officers of the Police Department may direct traffic as conditions may require notwithstanding the provisions of the traffic laws.

(3) Officers of the Fire Department, when at the scene of a fire, may direct or assist the police in

directing traffic thereat or in the immediate vicinity.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1023)

(B) No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of a police officer or Fire Department official.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1024)

§ 70.04 AUTHORITY OF EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

(A) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call or when in the pursuit of an actual suspected violator of the law or when responding to but not upon returning from a fire alarm, may exercise the privileges set forth in this section, but subject to the conditions herein stated.

(B) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle may:

- (1) Park or stand, irrespective of the provisions of this chapter;
- (2) Proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation; and
- (3) Not exceed the posted speed limits.

(C) The exemptions herein granted to an authorized emergency vehicle shall apply only when the driver of any vehicle while in motion sounds audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle as may be reasonably necessary, and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one lighted lamp displaying a light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet to the front of the vehicle, except that an authorized emergency vehicle operated as a police vehicle need not be equipped with or display a light visible from in front of the vehicle.

(D) The foregoing provisions shall not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons, nor shall the provisions protect the driver from the consequences of his or her reckless disregard for the safety of others.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1026)

§ 70.05 COASTERS, ROLLER SKATES, AND THE LIKE.

(A) No person upon roller skates, roller blades or skateboards, or riding in or by means of any coaster, toy vehicle or similar device, shall go upon any roadway except while crossing a street on a crosswalk and when so crossing the person shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties, applicable to pedestrians. This section shall not apply upon any street while set aside as a play street as authorized by ordinance. (‘77 Code, § 7-1025)

(B) It shall be unlawful for any person to skate or skateboard on the streets and sidewalks within the corporate limits of the town. ('77 Code, § 7-1132)

Penalty, see § 70.99

Cross-reference:

Bicycles, see Chapter 73

§ 70.06 PUSHCARTS, TRACTORS AND THE LIKE.

Every person operating, riding, propelling or driving any pushcart, tractor, trailer, bicycle, buggy, cart or other type of machine or conveyance or any person riding or driving or leading an animal upon any of the public streets of the town shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter, except those provisions of this chapter which by their very nature can have no application.

('77 Code, § 7-1021)

TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES

§ 70.20 OBEDIENCE TO SIGNS; PREREQUISITE TO ENFORCEMENT.

(A) Any person failing or refusing to comply with the directions indicated on any sign, marker or device for the control or direction of traffic erected or placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter when so placed or erected shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. This section shall not be construed to apply when the driver of a vehicle is otherwise directed by a police officer or when an exception is granted to the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle under § 70.04. ('77 Code, § 7-1031)

(B) No provisions of this chapter for which signs are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator if, at the time and place of the alleged violation, an official sign is not in proper position and sufficiently legible to an ordinarily observant person. Whenever any particular section in this chapter does not state that signs are required, the section shall be effective without signs being placed to give notice thereof. ('77 Code, § 7-1032)

§ 70.21 SPECIFICATIONS.

All traffic-control signs, signals and devices shall conform to state regulations. All signs and signals required hereunder for a particular purpose shall so far as practicable be uniform as to type and location. All traffic-control devices so erected and not inconsistent with the provisions of state law or this chapter shall be official traffic-control devices.

('77 Code, § 7-1033)

§ 70.22 SIGNAL LEGEND.

When traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals exhibiting the words “Go,” “Caution” or “Stop,” or exhibiting different colored lights successively, one at a time, or with arrows, the following colors only shall be used and the terms and lights shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

(A) *Green alone or “Go.”*

(1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at any place prohibits either turn. But vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the

right-of-way to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time the signal is exhibited.

(2) Pedestrians facing the signal may proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

(B) *Yellow alone or "Caution" when shown following the green or "Go" signal.*

(1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal is thereby warned that the red or "Stop" signal will be exhibited immediately thereafter and the vehicular traffic shall not enter or be crossing the intersection when the red or "Stop" signal is exhibited.

(2) No pedestrian facing the signal shall enter the roadway until the green or "Go" is shown alone unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(C) *Red alone or "Stop."*

(1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until green or "Go" is shown alone. Provided, however, that if a sign is not erected prohibiting turns on red lights, the vehicles may turn right on red lights after coming to a complete stop.

(2) No pedestrian facing the signal shall enter the roadway until the green or "Go" is shown alone unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(D) *Red with green arrow.*

(1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by an arrow but shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within a crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

(2) No pedestrian facing the signal shall enter the roadway until the green or "Go" is shown alone unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(E) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this section shall be applicable except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the absence of any sign or marking the stop shall be made at the signal. (77 Code, § 7-1034)

§ 70.23 PEDESTRIAN CONTROL SIGNALS.

Whenever special pedestrian-control signals exhibiting the words "Walk" or "Don't Walk" are in place, the signals shall indicate as follows:

(1) *"Walk."* Pedestrians facing the signals may proceed across the highway in the direction of the signal and shall be given the right-of-way by the drivers of all vehicles.

(2) *"Don't Walk."* No pedestrian shall start to cross the highway in the direction of the signal, but any pedestrian who has partially completed his or her crossing on the "Walk" signal shall proceed to a sidewalk or

safety island while the “Don't Walk” signal is showing.

('77 Code, § 7-1035)

Cross-reference:

Subject to traffic-control signals, see § 71.60

§ 70.24 FLASHING SIGNALS.

Whenever flashing red or yellow signals are used, they shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:

(A) *Flashing red (stop signal).* When a red lens is illuminated by rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall come to a complete stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, and the right to proceed shall be subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign. In no event shall a vehicle be driven into a crosswalk unless and until entry can be made with safety to other persons and property at the place.

(B) *Flashing yellow (caution signal).* When a yellow lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers or operators of vehicles may proceed through the intersection past the signal only with caution.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1036)

§ 70.25 DISPLAY OF UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS, SIGNALS AND MARKINGS.

(A) No person shall place, maintain or display upon or in view of any highway any unauthorized sign, signal, marking or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control device, sign or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic, or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any official traffic-control device, sign or signal.

(B) No person shall place or maintain nor shall any public authority permit upon any highway any traffic sign or signal bearing thereon any commercial advertising.

(C) This section shall not be deemed to prohibit the erection upon private property adjacent to highways of signs giving useful directional information and of a type that cannot be mistaken for official signs.

(D) Every prohibited sign, signal, or marking is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and the authority having jurisdiction over the highway is hereby empowered to remove the same or cause it to be removed without notice.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1037) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.26 INTERFERENCE PROHIBITED.

No person shall without lawful authority attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down or remove any official traffic-control device, sign or signal or any inscription, shield or insignia thereon, or any other part thereof.

(‘77 Code, § 7-1038) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.27 AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH PLAY STREETS.

Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating any street or part thereof as a play street, no person shall drive a vehicle upon any street or portion thereof except drivers of vehicles having business or whose residences are within the closed area, and then any driver shall exercise the greatest care in driving upon any street or portion thereof.

('77 Code, § 7-1039) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.28 TRAFFIC LANES.

Where traffic lanes have been marked, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep a vehicle within the boundaries of any lane, except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement.

('77 Code, § 7-1040) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.29 SPECIFIED ZONES.

(A) Whenever authorized signs are placed indicating a zone of quiet, the person operating a motor vehicle within the zone shall not sound the horn or any other warning device, except in an emergency. ('77 Code, § 7-1041)

(B) Whenever authorized signs are placed designating any street, or part thereof, as a school zone, drivers of motor vehicles using the street, shall exercise the greatest care for the protection of children. ('77 Code, § 7-1042)

(C) Whenever yield right-of-way signs are used they shall require vehicular traffic to yield the right-of-way to other intersecting traffic from any other road or street. Yield right-of-way signs shall be located at the streets designated. ('77 Code, § 7-1043)

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.99 PENALTY.

Any person violating any provision of this traffic code for which no specific penalty is prescribed shall be subject to the penalty of § 10.99.

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 71.01 SPEED LIMITS; DRIVING AT REDUCED SPEEDS.

(A) Except as otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful to operate a vehicle in excess of 35 miles per hour inside the municipal corporate limits. ('77 Code, § 7-1051)

(B) No person shall drive a motor vehicle at a slow speed as to impede or block the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation or in compliance with law. Police officers are hereby authorized to enforce this provision by directions to drivers, and in the event of willful disobedience of this provision and refusal to comply with the direction of an officer in accordance herewith, the continued slow operation by a driver shall be a misdemeanor. ('77 Code, § 7-1053)

Penalty, see § 70.99

Cross-reference:

Reckless driving, see § 71.09

Speed limits, see Traffic Schedule IV

§ 71.02 ONE-WAY STREETS AND ALLEYS; AUTHORITY TO SIGN.

Whenever any ordinance designates any one-way street or alley there shall be signs giving notice thereof, and no regulation shall be effective unless the signs are in place. Signs indicating the direction of lawful traffic movement shall be placed at every intersection where movement of traffic in the opposite direction is prohibited. ('77 Code, § 7-1071)

§ 71.03 BOARDING MOVING VEHICLES.

No person shall board, or alight from, any vehicle while the vehicle is in motion. ('77 Code, § 7-1092) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.04 NON-PASSENGER VEHICLES OR PORTIONS; RIDING PROHIBITED.

No person shall ride on any vehicle, or any portion of a vehicle, not designed or intended for use of passengers. This provision shall not be construed to apply to any employee engaged in the necessary discharge of a duty or to a person riding within a truck body in space intended for merchandise. ('77 Code, § 7-1093) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.05 RIDING OR HANGING ON VEHICLES.

(A) No person when riding in a vehicle shall allow any part of his or her body to protrude beyond the vehicle in which he or she is riding, except to give signals as are by law required. No person shall hang onto any

vehicle whatsoever.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1095)

(B) Any person riding upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, roller blades, skateboards or any toy vehicle shall not attach the same, or himself or herself, to any moving vehicle upon any roadway.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1097) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.06 UNAUTHORIZED ENTERING OF VEHICLES.

No person shall enter, jump on or ride any vehicle without the consent of the owner or driver of the vehicle.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1094) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.07 LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF PASSENGERS.

It shall be unlawful for the driver, or the person in charge, of any motor vehicle to permit more than three persons, including the driver, to ride in the front or driver's seat of a motor vehicle.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1096) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.08 MOVING VEHICLES TO RESTRICTED AREAS.

No person shall move a vehicle not owned by the person, into any prohibited area, or sufficiently away from the curb to make the distance unlawful. (‘77 Code, § 7-1098) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.09 RECKLESS DRIVING.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle upon the streets of the town in a reckless manner or at a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper, having regard to the width, traffic and use of the street; provided, that the rate of speed shall not exceed the maximum speed limits established by § 71.01 and Traffic Schedule IV.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1081) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.10 FUNERAL PROCESSIONS.

No driver of a vehicle shall drive through a funeral procession, provided however, that this shall not be construed to apply to Fire Department vehicles, police patrols and ambulances, when responding to calls.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1102) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.11 LIMITATIONS ON BACKING.

The driver of a vehicle shall not back the same into any intersection or over a crosswalk and shall not in any event or at any place, back a vehicle unless the movement can be made in safety and he or she shall have given ample warning to those who may be behind by hand, horn or other signal.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1103) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.12 EMERGING FROM ALLEY OR DRIVEWAY.

The driver of a vehicle emerging from an alley, driveway or building shall stop the vehicle immediately prior to driving onto a sidewalk area extending across any alleyway and upon entering the roadway, he or she shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on the roadway.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1104) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.13 PREVENTION OF NOISE AND SMOKE.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to start, stop, turn or otherwise operate a motor vehicle so as to create any unnecessary noise with the wheels, tires or engine thereof, or so as to leave tire marks upon the pavement of any street or other public place. (‘77 Code, § 7-1105)

(B) (1) No person shall drive a motor vehicle on a streets or highway unless the motor vehicle is equipped with a muffler in good working order and in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual noise, annoying smoke and smoke screens.

(2) It shall be unlawful to use a “muffler cut-out” on any motor vehicle upon a street or highway.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1106)
Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.14 TRAIN REGULATIONS.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to allow a railroad train, locomotive or any railroad vehicle to stand upon a public crossing, or any part thereof, for more than five minutes at any time.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1099) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.15 MOTORCYCLE REGULATIONS.

(A) It shall be unlawful for persons operating motorcycles upon the public streets or highways of the town to travel thereon more than two abreast.

(B) Any persons operating motorcycles upon the public streets or highways shall operate the same as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1108) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.16 HITCHHIKING PROHIBITED.

It shall be unlawful for any person to stand in the streets and solicit rides from the drivers of any passing vehicles.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1091) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.17 DRIVING ON SIDEWALK AREA.

The driver of a vehicle shall not drive on any sidewalk area, except at a permanent or temporary driveway.
(Ord. 208, passed 5-24-99)

SPECIAL STOPS

§ 71.30 AUTHORITY TO ERECT STOP SIGNS.

Whenever any ordinance designates and describes a through street, there shall be a stop sign on each and every street intersecting through the street or intersecting portion thereof described and designated as such by any ordinance unless traffic at any intersection is controlled at all times by traffic-control signals; provided, however, that at the intersection of two through streets or at the intersection of a through street and a heavy traffic street not so designated, stop signs shall be erected at the approaches of either of the streets.
(77 Code, § 7-1082)

§ 71.31 INTERSECTIONS WHERE STOP REQUIRED.

The Board may determine and designate intersections where particular hazard exists upon other than through streets and may determine whether vehicles shall stop at one or more entrances to any stop intersection, and shall erect a stop sign at every place where a stop is required. The places are specified in Traffic Schedule II.
(77 Code, § 7-1083)

§ 71.32 SIGNS TO BEAR THE WORD “STOP.”

Every sign erected pursuant to this chapter shall bear the word “Stop” in letters not less than eight inches in height and the signs shall at nighttime be rendered luminous by steady or flashing internal illumination, or by a fixed floodlight projected on the face of the sign, or by efficient reflecting elements on the face of the sign. Every stop sign shall be located as near as practicable at the nearest line of the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, at the nearest line of the roadway.
(77 Code, § 7-1084)

§ 71.33 VEHICLES REQUIRED TO STOP.

When stop signs are erected, as herein authorized, at or near the entrance to any intersection, every driver of a vehicle shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or in the event there is no crosswalk shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, then at the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway before entering the intersection except when directed to proceed by a police officer or traffic-control signal.
(77 Code, § 7-1085)

§ 71.34 STOPPING WHEN TRAFFIC OBSTRUCTED.

No driver shall enter an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle he or she is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians notwithstanding any traffic-control signal indication to proceed.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1086)

TURNING MOVEMENTS

§ 71.45 REQUIRED POSITION; METHOD OF TURNING.

The driver of a vehicle intending to turn at an intersection shall do so as follows:

(A) *Right turns.* Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn shall be made as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway.

(B) *Left turns on two-way roadways.* At any intersection where traffic is permitted to move in both directions on each roadway entering the intersection, an approach for a left turn shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the center line thereof and by passing to the right of the center line where it enters the intersection and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to leave the intersection to the right of the center line of the roadway being entered. Whenever practicable the left turn shall be made in that portion of the intersection to the left of the center of the intersection.

(C) *Left turns on other than two-way roadways.* At any intersection where traffic is restricted to one direction on one or more of the roadways, the driver of a vehicle intending to turn left at the intersection shall approach the intersection in the extreme left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction upon the roadway being entered.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1061)

§ 71.46 TURNING MARKERS.

When authorized markers, buttons or other indications are placed within an intersection indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning thereat, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of the indications.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1062) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.47 AUTHORITY TO PLACE RESTRICTED TURN SIGNS.

The Board shall determine those intersections at which drivers of vehicles shall not make a right, left or U-turn and shall place proper signs at the intersections. The making of the turns may be prohibited between certain hours of any day and permitted at other hours, in which event the same shall be plainly indicated on the signs or they may be removed when the turns are permitted. Specific restrictions on turning movements shall be as specified in Traffic Schedule III.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1063)

§ 71.48 OBEDIENCE TO NO-TURN SIGNS.

Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right, left or U-turn is permitted, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of any sign.
(77 Code, § 7-1064)

PEDESTRIANS**§ 71.60 SUBJECT TO TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNALS.**

Pedestrians shall be subject to traffic-control signals as heretofore declared in §§ 70.22 and 70.23, but at all other places pedestrians shall be granted those rights and be subject to the restrictions stated in this chapter.
(77 Code, § 7-1111)

§ 71.61 RIGHT-OF-WAY IN CROSSWALK; REQUIRED POSITION.

(A) (1) When traffic-control signals are not in place or not in operation the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling, or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger, but no pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle, which is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield. A pedestrian's right-of-way in a crosswalk is modified under the condition as stated in § 71.62 (B).

(2) Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle.
(77 Code, § 7-1112)

(B) Pedestrians shall move, whenever practicable, upon the right half of crosswalks. (77 Code, § 7-1113)

(C) No pedestrian shall cross a roadway at any place other than by a route at right angles to the curb or by the shortest route to the opposite curb except in a crosswalk. (77 Code, § 7-1114)
Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.62 YIELDING TO VEHICLES.

(A) Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

(B) Any pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point where a pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing has been provided shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.
(77 Code, § 7-1115)

§ 71.63 WALKING ALONG ROADWAYS; SOLICITING RIDES OR BUSINESS.

(A) *Walking on roadways prohibited; sidewalks.*

(1) Where sidewalks are provided it shall be unlawful for any pedestrian to walk along and upon an adjacent roadway.

(2) Where sidewalks are not provided any pedestrian walking along and upon a highway shall when practicable walk only on the left side of the roadway or its shoulder facing traffic which may approach from the opposite direction.

('77 Code, § 7-1116)

(B) *Pedestrians soliciting rides or business.*

(1) No person shall stand in a roadway for the purpose of soliciting a ride, employment or business from the occupant of any vehicle.

(2) No person shall stand on or in proximity to a street or highway for the purpose of soliciting the watching or guarding of any vehicle while parked or about to be parked on a street or highway.

('77 Code, § 7-1117)

Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.64 DRIVERS TO EXERCISE DUE CARE.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this chapter every driver of a vehicle shall exercise due care to avoid colliding with any pedestrian upon any roadway, shall give warning by sounding the horn when necessary and shall exercise proper precaution upon observing any child or any confused or incapacitated person upon a roadway.

('77 Code, § 7-1118)

§ 71.99 PENALTY.

(A) Any person violating any provision of this code for which no specific penalty is prescribed shall be subject to the penalty of § 70.99.

(B) Any person violating § 71.01 shall be guilty of an offense and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine as established by the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles or the North Carolina Judicial System. (Ord. passed 5-24-99)

CHAPTER 72: PARKING REGULATIONS

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 72.01 STANDING OR PARKING CLOSE TO CURB.

No person shall stand or park a vehicle in a roadway other than parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the right-hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

('77 Code, § 7-1141) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.02 METHOD OF PARKING; ANGLES.

(A) (1) The Board shall determine upon what streets angle parking shall be permitted and shall mark or sign the streets, which are specified in Parking Schedule IV.

(2) Angle parking shall not be indicated or permitted at any place where passing traffic would thereby be caused or required to drive upon the left side of the street.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1142)

(B) Upon those streets which have been signed or marked for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at the angle to the curb or edge of the roadway indicated by signs or markings.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1143)
Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.03 LIGHTS ON PARKED VEHICLES.

(A) Whenever a vehicle is lawfully parked at nighttime upon any street within a business or residence district no lights need be displayed upon the parked vehicle.

(B) Whenever a vehicle is parked upon a street or highway outside of a business or residence district during the hours of between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise, the vehicle shall be equipped with one or more lamps which shall exhibit a white light on the roadway side visible from a distance of 500 feet to the front of the vehicle and a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear.

(C) Any lighted head lamps upon a parked vehicle shall be depressed or dimmed.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1144) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.04 VEHICLES BACKED UP TO CURB.

In no case shall a vehicle remain backed up to the curb, except when actually loading or unloading.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1145) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.05 UNATTENDED VEHICLES.

It shall be unlawful for any person to leave the engine or motor of any motor vehicle running while the same is standing parked upon the streets.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1146) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.06 MOVING CARS FROM PARKED POSITIONS.

Parked cars shall move out in the direction needed, or if they are parked at an angle with the curb, they shall

back at that angle until they have cleared the other cars and shall then proceed in the direction they are most nearly headed in.

('77 Code, § 7-1147)

§ 72.07 STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING LOCATION PROHIBITIONS.

(A) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device, in any of the following places:

- (1) On a sidewalk;
- (2) In front of a public or private driveway;
- (3) Within an intersection;
- (4) Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
- (5) On a crosswalk;
- (6) Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
- (7) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway;
- (8) Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within 30 feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless signs or markings indicate a different length;
- (9) Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;
- (10) Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of the entrance (when properly sign-posted);
- (11) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;
- (12) On a roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge of a curb of a street;
- (13) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel; or
- (14) At any place where official signs prohibit stopping.

(B) No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under his or her control into any prohibited area or away from a curb the distance as is unlawful.

('77 Code, § 7-1151) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.08 OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC PROHIBITED.

No person shall park any vehicle upon a street, other than an alley, in a manner or under conditions as to leave available less than ten feet of the width of the roadway for free movement of vehicular traffic.

('77 Code, § 7-1152) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.09 PARKING IN ALLEYS.

No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in a manner or under conditions as to leave available less than ten feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic, and no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle within an alley, in a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property.

('77 Code, § 7-1153) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.10 OVER-NIGHT PARKING PROHIBITED.

When respective signs are placed in certain streets, no person shall park a vehicle between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., provided that this section shall not apply to automobiles, or other vehicles, if their owners are at work in the building, or on the premises, near which the vehicles are parked.

('77 Code, § 7-1154) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.11 DISPLAY OF VEHICLES FOR SALE; ADVERTISING PROHIBITED.

(A) *Standing or parking for certain purposes prohibited.* It shall be unlawful for any person to stand or park a vehicle upon any street of the town for the principal purposes of:

- (1) Displaying for sale;
- (2) Washing, greasing or repairing the vehicle, except repairs made necessary by a bona fide emergency;
- (3) Storing by garages, dealers or other persons when the storing is not incident to the bona fide use and operation of the automobile or other vehicle;
- (4) Storing of any detached trailer or van when the towing unit has been disconnected or for the purpose of transferring merchandise or freight from one vehicle to another;
- (5) Selling goods, wares or merchandise; or
- (6) Advertising.

('77 Code, § 7-1155)

(B) *Stopping, standing or parking for primary purpose of advertising prohibited.* No person shall stand, or park, on any street any vehicle for the primary purpose of advertising. ('77 Code, § 7-1159)

Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.12 PARKING ADJACENT TO SCHOOLS.

When official signs are erected indicating no parking upon either side of a street adjacent to any school property as authorized herein, no person shall park a vehicle in any designated place. ('77 Code, § 7-1156) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.13 ONE-WAY ROADWAYS.

(A) In the event a highway includes two or more separate roadways and traffic restricted to one direction upon any roadway, no person shall stand or park a vehicle upon the left-hand side of the one-way roadway unless signs are erected to permit the standing or parking. ('77 Code, § 7-1157)

(B) It is unlawful to park on any one-way street, any vehicle greater in size than six feet six inches at its widest point, 18 feet at its longest point, or six feet at its highest point. ('77 Code, § 7-1189) (Ord. 146, passed 3-21-88)
Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.14 PARKING IN CONGESTED OR HAZARDOUS AREA.

When official signs are erected at hazardous or congested places no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any designated place. ('77 Code, § 7-1158) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.15 PARKING AND STORAGE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.

(A) For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

BOAT. A vehicle for traveling in or on water, not exceeding 40 feet in body length, eight feet in width or 12 feet in overall height. Height includes the trailer, if the boat is mounted on a trailer. A vehicle meeting the above definition except for size is not deemed incidental to a dwelling unit.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES. A vehicular unit not exceeding 40 feet in overall length, eight feet in width or 12 feet in overall height, primarily designated as a temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use; it either has its own motive power or is designed to be mounted on or drawn by an automotive vehicle. **RECREATIONAL VEHICLE** includes motor home, truck camper, travel trailer and camping trailer. A vehicle meeting the above definition except for size is not deemed incidental to a dwelling unit.

TRAILER. A vehicle without motive power, designed so that it can be drawn by motor vehicle, to be used for the carrying of persons or as a human habitation.

YARD, FRONT. The part of a lot between the front lot line and the front(s) of the principal building on the lot, and extended to both side lot lines.

YARD, REAR. The part of a lot between the rear lot line and the back(s) of the principal building on the lot, and extended to both side lot lines.

YARD, SIDE. The part of a lot not surrounded by building and not in the front or rear yard.

(B) In all residential zones provided for in the town's zoning chapter, it is permissible to park a recreational vehicle, trailer or boat and boat trailer in the following manner:

(1) Parking is permitted inside any enclosed structure, which structure otherwise conforms to the zoning requirements of the particular zone, where located.

(2) Parking is permitted outside in the side yard or rear yard provided it is not nearer than two feet to the lot line.

(3) Parking is permitted outside on a concrete driveway, provided:

(a) Space is not available in the rear yard or side yard, or there is no reasonable access to either the side yard or rear yard. A corner lot is always deemed to have reasonable access to the rear yard. A fence is not necessarily deemed to prevent reasonable access.

(b) Inside parking is not possible.

(c) The unit is parked perpendicular to the front curb.

(4) The body of the recreational vehicle or boat must be at least 13 feet from the face of any curb.

(5) No part of the unit may extend over the public sidewalk or public thoroughfare (right-of-way).

(6) Parking is permitted only for storage purposes, and any recreational vehicle or trailer shall not be:

(a) Used for dwelling purposes, except for overnight sleeping for a maximum of 14 days in any one calendar year. Cooking is not permitted at any time.

(b) Permanently connected to sewer lines, water lines or electricity. The recreational vehicle may be connected to electricity temporarily for charging batteries and other purposes.

(c) Used for storage of goods, materials, or equipment other than those items considered to be part of the unit or essential for its immediate use.

(7) Notwithstanding the provisions of division (B)(6)(c) above, a unit may be parked anywhere on the premises during active loading or unloading; and the use of electricity or propane fuel is permitted when necessary to prepare a recreational vehicle for use.

(8) The unit shall be owned by the resident on whose property the unit is parked for storage.

(9) Parking is not permitted on any public street or right-of-way.

(10) A recreational vehicle as defined in division (A) can be allowed as temporary living quarters on a construction site if the occupant's responsibilities include securing the construction site and equipment. A certificate of occupancy must be issued by the Building Inspector and shall include an expiration date.

('77 Code, § 7-1160) (Ord. 107, passed 1-28-85) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.16 VEHICLES NOT TO STOP IN STREETS; EXCEPTIONS.

No vehicle shall stop in any street, except for the purpose of parking as prescribed in this chapter, unless the stop is made necessary by the approach of fire apparatus, by the approach of a funeral or other procession which is given right-of-way, by the stopping of a public conveyance, by the lowering of railway gates, by being given countermanding traffic signals, by the passing of some other vehicle or a pedestrian, or by some emergency. In all cases covered by these exceptions, the vehicles shall stop so as not to obstruct any footway, pedestrian aisle, safety zone, crossing or street intersection if it can be avoided.

('77 Code, § 7-1186)

§ 72.17 TIME LIMITATIONS; APPLICABILITY AND SIGNS REQUIRED.

(A) The provisions of this chapter prohibiting the standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times or at those times herein specified or as indicated on official signs, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic-control device. ('77 Code, § 7-1181)

(B) The provisions of this chapter imposing a time limit on parking shall not relieve any person from the duty of other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times. ('77 Code, § 7-1182)

(C) Whenever by this or any other chapter any parking time limit is imposed or parking prohibited on designated streets there shall be appropriate signs giving notice thereof and no regulations shall be effective unless the signs are erected and in place at the time of any alleged offense. ('77 Code, § 7-1185)

§ 72.18 IMPOUNDMENT OF ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLES.

The Chief of Police or any police officer of the town is hereby authorized to take up or cause to be taken up or removed to a place designated by the Manager, any vehicle parked in violation of the town and is authorized and empowered to keep the same in a place so designated by the Manager until all fines and charges assessed for moving and storage against the owner and the car have been paid or satisfactory bond arranged.

('77 Code, § 7-1188)

LOADING AND UNLOADING REGULATIONS

§ 72.30 DESIGNATION OF ZONES.

Whenever vehicle loading and unloading zones are designated and described by this chapter and when signs are placed, erected or installed, giving notice thereof, it shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park any vehicle for any purpose or period of time, except in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.

('77 Code, § 7-1171) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.31 PASSENGER LOADING ZONES.

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle therein during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., for any purpose other than the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers, and then only for a period not to exceed ten minutes.

('77 Code, § 7-1172) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 72.32 COMMERCIAL LOADING ZONES.

The streets, or parts thereof, described in Parking Schedule V, are hereby designated as commercial loading and unloading zones and no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle therein during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for any purpose other than the expeditious unloading and delivery, or pickup and loading of materials and goods, and then only for a period not to exceed 30 minutes.

('77 Code, § 7-1173)

§ 72.33 PUBLIC CARRIER STOPS AND STANDS.

Bus stands, taxicab stands and stands for other passenger common-carrier motor vehicles, designated by appropriate signs, shall be as specified.

('77 Code, § 7-1174)

§ 72.34 REGULATIONS FOR BUSES AND TAXICABS.

(A) (1) The operator of a bus shall not stand or park the vehicle upon any street at any place other than at a bus stand so designated as provided herein.

(2) The operator of a bus shall not stop the vehicle upon any street at any place for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or their baggage other than at a bus stop, bus stand or passenger loading zone so designated as provided herein, except in case of an emergency.

(3) The operator of a bus shall enter a bus stop, bus stand or passenger loading zone on a public street in a manner that the bus when stopped to load or unload passengers or baggage shall be in a position with the right front wheel of the vehicle not farther than 18 inches from the curb, and the bus approximately parallel to the curb, so as not to unduly impede the movement of other vehicular traffic.

(4) The operator of a taxicab shall not stand or park the vehicle upon any street at any place other than a taxicab stand so designated as provided herein. This provision shall not prevent the operator of a taxicab from temporarily stopping in accordance with other stopping or parking regulations at any place for the purpose of and while actually engaged in the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers.

('77 Code, § 7-1175)

(B) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop, other than a taxicab in a taxicab stand when any stop has been officially designated and appropriately signed, except that the driver of a passenger vehicle may temporarily stop therein for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when the stopping does not interfere with any bus, or taxicab waiting to enter or about to enter the zone.

('77 Code, § 7-1176)

CHAPTER 73: BICYCLES

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Cross-reference:

Coasters, roller skates and the like, see § 70.05

§ 73.01 APPLICABILITY.

(A) (1) The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not authorize or knowingly permit any child or ward to violate any of the provisions of this chapter.

(2) These regulations applicable to bicycles shall apply whenever a bicycle is operated upon any street or upon any public path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles, subject to those exceptions stated herein.

('77 Code, § 7-1121)

(B) Every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by the laws of this state declaring rules of the road applicable to vehicles or by this chapter applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except as to special regulations in this chapter and except as to those provisions of laws and ordinances which by their nature can have no application. ('77 Code, § 7-1122)

§ 73.02 OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES.

(A) Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic-control signals, signs, and other control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

(B) Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or U-turn is permitted, no person operating a bicycle shall disobey the direction of any sign, except where the person dismounts from the bicycle to make any turn, in which event the person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.

('77 Code, § 7-1123) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 73.03 RIDING RESTRICTIONS.

(A) (1) A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.

(2) No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1124)

(B) (1) Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right-hand side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

(2) Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway shall not ride more than two abreast, except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

(3) Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway bicycle riders shall use the path and shall not use the roadway.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1125)

(C) (1) No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within a business district.

(2) The Chief of Police is authorized to erect signs on any roadway prohibiting the riding of bicycles thereon by any person and when the signs are in place, no person shall obey the same.

(3) Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, the person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give audible signal before overtaking and passing the pedestrian.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1130)
Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 73.04 SPEED LIMITS.

No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1126) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 73.05 EMERGING FROM ALLEY OR DRIVEWAY.

The operator of a bicycle, emerging from an alley, driveway or building, shall upon approaching a sidewalk or the sidewalk area extending across any alleyway, yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians approaching on the sidewalk or sidewalk area, and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on the roadway.
(‘77 Code, § 7-1127)

§ 73.06 CARRYING ARTICLES; PROHIBITION.

No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the rider from keeping at least one hand upon the handle bars.
(’77 Code, § 7-1128) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 73.07 PARKING.

No person shall park a bicycle upon a street other than upon the roadway against the curb or upon the sidewalk in a rack to support the bicycle or against a building or at the curb, in a manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic.
(’77 Code, § 7-1129) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 73.08 REQUIRED EQUIPMENT.

(A) Every bicycle when in use at nighttime shall be equipped with a lamp on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red reflector on the rear of the type which shall be visible from all distances from 50 feet to 300 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector.

(B) No person shall operate a bicycle unless it is equipped with a bell or other device capable of giving a signal audible for a distance of at least 100 feet, except that a bicycle shall not be equipped with, nor shall any person use upon a bicycle, any siren or whistle.

(C) Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the brake wheel skid on dry, level, clean pavement.
(’77 Code, § 7-1131) Penalty, see § 70.99

CHAPTER 74: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES

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SCHEDULE I. THROUGH STREETS.

The following streets and parts of streets are through streets. ('77 Code, § 7-1081)

<i>Through Street</i>	<i>Location</i>
By-pass	City limit to city limit
Davis Street	Main Street to city limit
Dodson Mill Road	Main Street to Lynchburg Road, four-way stop, to city limit
Main Street	City limit to city limit
North Academy Street	Main Street to by-pass
North Depot Street	By-pass to Main Street
North Key Street	Main Street to by-pass
North Stephens Street	Main Street to Second Street
Second Street	Depot to North Key Street
School Street	North Key Street to Westfield Road
South Academy Street	Main Street to city limit
South Depot Street	Main Street to railroad
South Key Street	Main Street to city limit
South Stephens Street	Main Street to Denny Street

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 108)

SCHEDULE II. STOP STREETS.

Those streets and parts of streets described herein are declared to be stop streets for the purpose of this code.

<i>Stop Streets</i>	<i>Location</i>
Academy Street	By-pass and Main Street
Bullington Lane	By-pass and Main Street
Butler Street	Key Street
Carson Road	By-pass and Main Street
Crestwood Drive	By-pass
Davis Street	Main Street
Denny Street	Key Street
Depot Street	Main Street and By-pass
Dodson Street	Butler Street, Key Street and Stephens Street
Dodson Mill Road	Main Street and Lynchburg Road
Fit-All Road	By-pass
Friends Street	Main Street
Hamlin Drive	Main Street
Howard Street	Depot Street and Academy Street
Key Street	Main Street
Marion Street	Key Street, Stephens Street, Depot Street and Davis Street
Mountain View Drive	Dodson Mill Road
Needham Street	Main Street and Marion Street
North Key Street	By-pass
Pine Street	Key Street, Stephens Street, Davis Street, Depot Street and Butler Street
School Street	Friends Street and Westfield Road
Second Street	North Key Street and Depot Street
Short Street	Dodson Mill Road

<i>Stop Streets</i>	<i>Location</i>
Simmons Street	Main Street and Sunset Drive
Stephens Street	Main Street, School Street and Denny Street
Swanson Street	Main Street and School Street
Thomas Street	Dodson Mill Road
Westridge Drive	Lynchburg Road and Dodson Mill Road

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 109)

SCHEDULE III. TURNING RESTRICTIONS.

The intersections described herein shall have the following turning restrictions.

<i>Intersections</i>	<i>Restrictions</i>
Main Street and Depot Street	No complete U-turn
Key Street and Main Street	Left turns are to be made to the left of the center
Main Street and Key Street	Left turns are to be made to the left of the center
Main Street and Academy Street	No right turns on red

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 111) (Am. Ord. passed 5-24-99)

SCHEDULE IV. SPEED LIMITS.

It shall be unlawful to operate a vehicle in excess of the speeds listed below upon the streets or portions of streets of the state highway system listed and made a part hereof. ('77 Code, § 7-1052)

<i>Street</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Speed Limit</i>
Butler Street		20
Davis Street	From Main Street to dead end	25
Key Street (NC 268)	From SR 1855 eastward to the eastern corporate limits of the town, a point 0.08 miles east of SR 1855	45
Key Street (NC 268)	From a point 0.45 miles north of Carson Road (SR 1837), northward to ole U.S. 52 (SR 1856)	45
Key Street (NC 268)	From the southern corporate limit, approximately 0.52 miles south of Main Street (SR 1857), north to a point 0.30 miles south of Main Street	45
Key Street (NC 268)	From a point 0.05 miles north of Carson Road (SR 1837) to a point 0.45 miles north of Carson Road(SR 1837)	45
Lynchburg Road	From Pilot Mountain Wastewater Plant to its intersection with Dodson Mill Road	25
Main Street (SR 1857)	From Key Street (NC 268) eastward to Academy Street	20
SR 1856 (old U.S. 52)	From the northern corporate limit, a point 0.72 miles northwest of SR 1809, eastward to the corporate limit, a point 0.40 miles northwest of SR 1809	45
SR 1856 (old U.S. 52)	From Key Street (NC 268) northwestward to the corporate limit, a point 0,25 miles northwest of SR 1809	45

('77 Code, Appendix I, §§ 115 through 128) (Am. Ord. 184, passed 10-25-93; Am. Ord. 193, passed - -) Penalty, see § 70.99

SCHEDULE V. YIELD RIGHT-OF-WAY INTERSECTIONS.

Yield right-of-way signs shall be posted at the following locations.

<i>Street</i>	<i>Intersection</i>
Butler Street extension	Intersection with Butler Street

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 132)

SCHEDULE VI. TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNALS.

Traffic-control signals shall be installed at the following locations.

<i>Street</i>	<i>Intersection</i>
Main Street	Intersection with Academy Street
Main Street	Intersection with Depot Street
Main Street	Intersection with Key Street
Main Street	Intersection with Lynchburg Road

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 134)

SCHEDULE VII. NO-THROUGH TRUCK ROUTES.

Through-trucks are prohibited on the following streets.

<i>Streets</i>	<i>Location</i>
Boyles Street	
Butler Street	
Crestwood Drive	
Davis Street	From railroad tracks to dead end
Dodson Street	
Dodson Court	
Howard Street	
Marion Street	From Boyles Street to South Key Street
Mountain View Drive	
Needham Street	
Neva Street	
Northview Drive	
Old Barn Circle	
Pine Street	From South Key Street to Butler Street
Pine Street	From Lynchburg Road to the end of the street
Portion of Friends Street	From the intersection of West Main Street to the intersection of School Street
Portion of Depot Street	From Main Street to highway 52 by-pass
Saddle Drive	
Second Street	From North Depot Street to North Key Street
Simmons Street	
Sunset Drive	
Westridge Road	

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 138) Penalty, see § 70.99

CHAPTER 75: PARKING SCHEDULES

Schedule

- I. Parking on Sundays only
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SCHEDULE I. PARKING ON SUNDAYS ONLY.

Parking is prohibited at all times, except on Sundays, on the following streets.

<i>Street</i>	<i>Location</i>
Key Street	From Main Street to SRR Bridge
	Beginning at a point at the southeast corner of the intersection of Academy and East Main Street; thence traveling a distance of 87 feet in an easterly direction along the southern edge of Marion Street
	Beginning at a point at the southeast corner of the intersection of Marion and Depot streets; thence traveling a distance of 12 feet in an easterly direction along the southern edge of Marion Street
	Beginning at a point 112 feet east of the southeast corner of the intersection of Marion and Depot streets; thence traveling a distance of 15 feet in an easterly direction along the southern edge of Marion Street
	Beginning at a point on the southwest corner of the intersection of Marion and Davis streets; thence traveling a distance of ten feet in a westerly direction along the southern edge of Marion Street
	Beginning at a point 50 feet west of the southwest corner of the intersection of Marion and Davis streets; thence traveling a distance of 19 feet in a westerly direction along the southern edge of Marion Street
	Beginning at a point 190 feet west of the southeast curb line of Stone Street and thence traveling 40 feet in a westerly direction along the southern curb line of East Main Street

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	Beginning at the intersection of Main Street and Swanson Street on the western side of Swanson Street and traveling North a distance of 220 feet to the intersection of Swanson Street and School Street.
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SCHEDULE II. LIMITED TIMES FOR PARKING.

Parking shall be limited as described in the following locations.

<i>Location</i>	<i>Time Restriction</i>
The north and south side of West Main Street adjacent to East Surry High School and designated by signs	7:30 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.
The northern edge of West Main Street beginning at a point 592 feet west of the western curb line of the Pilot-Westfield Road and thence traveling a distance of 652 feet in a westerly direction	7:30 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.
The southern edge of West Main Street beginning at a point 592 feet west of the western curb line of Lynchburg Street and thence traveling a distance of 652 feet in a westerly direction	7:30 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 136) Penalty, see § 70.99

SCHEDULE III. PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES.

Parking is prohibited at all times in the following locations. When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the streets described below. ('77 Code, § 7-1183)

<i>Prohibited Locations</i>
The eastern side of South Academy Street beginning at a point at the southern curb line of East Main Street and thence traveling a distance of 330 feet in a southerly direction to the southern curb line of Marion Street.
The eastern side of Depot Street beginning at a point at the northern curb line of East Main Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 1,600 feet in a northerly direction to the southern curb line of old 52 by-pass.
The western side of Depot Street beginning at a point at the northern curb line of West Main Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 1,600 feet in a northerly direction to the southern curb line of old 52 by-pass.
The eastern side of Key Street (NC 268) beginning at a point in the southern curb line of old 52 by-pass and thence traveling a distance of approximately 7,900 feet in a southerly direction to the corporate limits.
The western side of Key Street (NC 268) beginning at a point at the southern curb line of old 52 by-pass and thence traveling a distance of approximately 7,900 feet in a southerly direction to the corporate limits.
The northern edge of East Main Street beginning at a point at the eastern edge of the post office driveway and thence traveling a distance of 56 feet in an easterly direction, except to drop mail into the post office drop boxes.
The northern edge of West Main Street beginning at a point at the eastern curb line of North Key Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 335 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of South Stephens Street.
The southern edge of West Main Street beginning at a point at the eastern curb line of South Key Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 335 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of South Stephens Street.
The southern edge of West Marion Street beginning at a point at the eastern curb line of South Key Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 335 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of South Stephens Street except during church services.
The southern edge of West Marion Street beginning at a point at the eastern curb line of South Stephens Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 505 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of South Depot Street.
The western side of North Stephens Street beginning at a point at the northern curb line of West Main Street and thence traveling a distance of 297 feet in a northerly direction to the southern curb line of School Street.

The North and South sides of West Marion Street beginning at Key Street (NC 268) to Boyles Street for a distance of 675 feet.

The entire distance of Simmons Street.

SCHEDULE IV. DIRECTIONAL PARKING.

All vehicles shall be parked within the lines drawn for parking on the following streets and portions thereof.

<i>Street</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Direction</i>	<i>Angle</i>
Davis Street	At Workman's Federal Savings and Loan	West	Diagonal
Depot Street	From Pine Street to railroad	East	Diagonal
Pine Street	From Depot Street to Davis Street	South	Diagonal

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 107) Penalty, see § 70.99

SCHEDULE V. COMMERCIAL LOADING AND UNLOADING ZONES.

The following streets or portions thereof are designated as commercial loading and unloading zones.

<i>Loading and Unloading Streets</i>
The north side of Depot Street beside the building located on the corner of Depot and Main streets and painted on the street, "LOADING ZONE"
Beginning at a point 205 feet from the southeast corner of the intersection of Main and Stephens streets and thence traveling 51 feet in an easterly direction along the southern edge of Main Street
Beginning at a point 78 feet from the southwest corner of the intersection of Main and Davis streets and then traveling 38 feet in a westerly direction along the southern edge of Main Street

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 130)

SCHEDULE VI. PARALLEL PARKING REQUIRED.

Parallel parking is required at the following locations.

<i>Parallel Parking Locations</i>
The southern edge of West Main Street beginning at a point 18 feet from the eastern curb line of South Stephens Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 580 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of South Depot Street
The southern edge of East Main Street beginning at a point 17 feet from the eastern curb line of South Depot Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 949 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of South Academy Street
The northern edge of West Main Street beginning at a point 66 feet from the eastern curb line of North Stephens Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 532 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of North Depot Street
The northern edge of East Main Street beginning at a point 17 feet from the eastern curb line of North Depot Street and thence traveling a distance of approximately 949 feet in an easterly direction to the western curb line of North Academy Street

('77 Code, Appendix I, § 137) Penalty, see § 70.99

