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### ***GENERAL PROVISIONS***

#### **' 70.001 DEFINITIONS.**

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

(Prior Code, ' 7.1)

(B) Whenever certain hours are named herein they shall mean standard time or daylight saving time as may be in current use in the town.

(Prior Code, ' 7.7)

#### ***BICYCLES or MOTORCYCLES.***

(a) ***BICYCLE.*** A human-powered vehicle with 2 wheels in tandem designed to transport, by the action of pedaling, 1 or more person seated on 1 or more saddle seats on its frame. This term also

includes a human-powered vehicle, designed to transport by the action of pedaling which has more than 2 wheels where the vehicle is used on a public roadway, public bicycle path or other public right-of-way, but does not include a tricycle.

(b) **MOTORCYCLE.** Every motor vehicle having a saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than 3 wheels in contact with the ground, including motor scooters and motor-driven bicycles, but excluding tractors and utility vehicles equipped with an additional form of device designed to transport property, and 3-wheeled vehicles while being used by law enforcement agencies and **MOPEDS** as defined in G.S. ' 105-163.4.

(Prior Code, ' 7.3)

**INTERSECTION or CROSSWALK.**

(a) **CROSSWALK.**

1. That part of a roadway at an intersection included within the connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalks on opposite sides of the highway measured from the curbs, or in the absence of curbs from the edges of the traversable roadway.

2. Any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface.

(b) **INTERSECTION.**

1. The area embraced within the prolongation of the lateral curb lines or, if none, then the lateral edge of roadway lines of 2 or more highways which join one another at any angle whether or not 1 highway crosses the other.

2. When a highway includes 2 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 that the intersecting highway also includes 2 roadways 30 feet or more apart, then every crossing of 2 roadways of the highways shall be regarded as a separate intersection.

(Prior Code, ' 7.12)

**PERSON, DRIVER or PEDESTRIAN.**

(a) **DRIVER.** The operator of a vehicle.

(b) **PEDESTRIAN.** Any person afoot.

(c) **PERSON.** Every individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation, governmental agency, or combination thereof of whatsoever form or character.

(Prior Code, ' 7.8)

***POLICE.***

(a) ***POLICE OFFICER.*** Every officer of the municipal Police Department or any officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.

(b) ***TRAFFIC DIVISION.*** 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 the town.

(Prior Code, ' 7.9)

***PUBLIC CARRIERS.***

(a) ***BUS.*** A motor vehicle with a long body equipped with seats or benches for passengers, operating as part of a scheduled service line and charging a fare.

(b) ***TAXICAB.*** A public vehicle, usually an automobile used for the transportation of passengers for a fare.

(Prior Code, ' 7.15)

***RAILROADS.***

(a) ***RAILROAD.*** A carrier of persons or property upon cars operated upon stationary rails.

(b) ***RAILROAD TRAIN.*** A steam engine, electric or other motor, with or without cars coupled thereto, operated upon rails.

(Prior Code, ' 7.4)

***ROADWAY or HIGHWAY.***

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

(b) ***CONTROLLED-ACCESS FACILITY.*** 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.

(c) ***LANED ROADWAY.*** A roadway which is divided into 2 or more clearly marked lanes for vehicular traffic.

(d) **THROUGH HIGHWAY.** Every street or highway or portion thereof at the entrance 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 title.

(Prior Code, ' 7.11)

**STOPPING or PARKING.**

(a) **PARK.** When prohibited means the standing of a vehicle whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading.

(b) **STOP.** When required means complete cessation of movement.

(c) **STOP, STOPPING, OR STANDING.** When prohibited means any stopping or standing of a vehicle whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic-control sign or signal.

(Prior Code, ' 7.6)

**STREETS.**

(a) **ALLEY.** A thoroughfare through the middle of a block.

(b) **PRIVATE ROAD OR DRIVEWAY.** Every road or driveway not open to the use of the public as a matter of right for the purpose of vehicular traffic.

(c) **ROADWAY.** That portion of a highway improved, designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel, exclusive of the shoulder. In the event a highway includes 2 or more separate roadways the term **ROADWAY** as used herein shall refer to any roadway separately but not to all roadways collectively.

(d) **SIDEWALK.** That 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.

(e) **STREET or HIGHWAY.** The entire width between property or right-of-way lines of every way or place of whatever nature, when any part thereof is open to the use of the public as a matter of right for the purpose of vehicular traffic. The terms **HIGHWAY** or **STREET** or a combination of the 2 terms shall be used synonymously.

(Prior Code, ' 7.10)

**TRAFFIC; RIGHT-OF-WAY.**

(a) **RIGHT-OF-WAY.** The privilege of the immediate use of the roadway.

(b) **TRAFFIC.** Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, and other conveyances either singly or together while using any street for purposes of travel.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.5)

**TRAFFIC CONTROL.**

(a) **OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.** All signs, signals, markings, and devices not inconsistent with this title placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction, for the purpose of regulating, warning, or guiding traffic.

(b) **TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL.** Any device, whether manually, electrically, or mechanically operated, by which traffic is alternately directed to stop and to proceed.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.14)

**VEHICLES.**

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

(b) **COMMERCIAL VEHICLE.** Any vehicle which is operated in furtherance of any commercial enterprise.

(c) **MOTOR VEHICLE.** Every vehicle which is self-propelled and every vehicle designed to run upon the highways which is pulled by a self propelled vehicle.

(d) **VEHICLE.**

(1) Every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon fixed rails or tracks; provided, that for the purpose of this title bicycles shall be deemed vehicles and every rider of a bicycle upon a highway shall be subject to the provisions of this title applicable to the driver of a vehicle except those which by their nature can have no application.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.2)

(2) This term shall not include a device which is designed for and intended to be used as a means of transportation for a person with a mobility impairment, or who uses the device for mobility enhancement, is suitable for use both inside and outside a building, including on sidewalks, and is limited by design to 15 miles per hour when the device is being operated by a person with a mobility impairment, or who uses the device for mobility enhancement. This term shall not include an electric person assistance mobility device as defined in G.S. ' 20-4.01(7a).



**ZONES.**

(a) **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.

(b) **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.

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

(d) **SAFETY ZONE.** A traffic island or other space officially set aside within a roadway for the exclusive use of pedestrians and which is so plainly marked or indicated by proper signs as to be plainly visible at all times while set apart as a safety zone.

(Prior Code, ' 7.13)

**' 70.002 TOWN AUTOMOBILE LICENSE REQUIRED.**

To raise revenue for general municipal purposes there shall be paid to the town annually, as of the January 1 of each year, for the licensing of each motor vehicle resident in the town the sum of \$1 as allowed and provided by G.S. ' 20-97.

(Prior Code, ' 7.21) (Ord. passed 11-1-1960)

**' 70.003 REGISTRATION PLATE REQUIRED.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or for the owner thereof knowingly to permit the operation upon a public street or public road within the corporate limits of the town any motor vehicle which does not have attached thereto and displayed thereon the registration plate assigned thereto by the town for the then current year.

(Prior Code, ' 7.22) (Ord. passed 11-1-1960) Penalty, see ' 70.999

***ENFORCEMENT AND OBEDIENCE*****‘ 70.015 AUTHORITY OF POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS.**

(A) 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.

(B) 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.

(C) 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.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.31)

**‘ 70.016 OBEDIENCE TO POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS.**

No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of a police officer or fire department official.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.32) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**‘ 70.017 PERSONS PROPELLING PUSHCARTS, RIDING BICYCLES, ANIMALS OR ANIMAL-DRAWN VEHICLES SUBJECT TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.**

Every person propelling any pushcart, or riding a bicycle or an animal upon a roadway, and every person driving any animal-drawn vehicle, shall be subject to the provisions of this title which are applicable to any driver of any vehicle, except those provisions of this title which, by their very nature, can have no application.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.33)

**‘ 70.018 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES TO OBEY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.**

The provisions of this title shall apply to the driver of any vehicle owned by, or used in the service of, the United States Government, this state, county or town, and it shall be unlawful for any driver to violate any of the provisions of this title or the state statutes.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.34) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**‘ 70.019 AUTHORIZED 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 title;
- (2) Proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation;
- (3) Exceed the prima facie speed limits so long as he or she does not endanger life or property; and/or
- (4) Disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions.

(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 1 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.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.35)

**' 70.020 COASTERS, ROLLER SKATES AND SIMILAR DEVICES; USE RESTRICTED.**

No person on roller skates or riding in any coaster, toy vehicle or similar device shall go upon any roadway other than a street set aside as a play street unless it be while crossing a street at a crosswalk or intersection.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.36) Penalty, see ' 70.999

***TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES*****‘ 70.035 AUTHORITY TO INSTALL.**

The town shall place and maintain traffic-control signs, signals, and devices when and as required under this title to make effective the provisions hereof, and may place and maintain additional traffic-control devices to regulate traffic under the provisions of this title or under state law, or to guide or warn traffic.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.41)

**‘ 70.036 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 title shall be official traffic-control devices.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.42)

**‘ 70.037 EFFECT OF REQUIREMENT THAT SIGNS BE ERECTED.**

No provision of this title which provides for signs shall be enforced against an alleged violator if, at the time and place of the alleged violation, the official sign is not properly placed or is insufficiently legible to an ordinarily observant person. Whenever a particular section does not stipulate that signs be erected, the section shall be effective without signs being placed to give notice thereof.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.43)

**‘ 70.038 OPERATOR TO OBEY.**

The driver of any vehicle shall obey the directions of any official traffic-control device placed in accordance with the traffic ordinances of the town, subject to certain exceptions which are granted the driver of any authorized emergency vehicle in ‘ 70.019 of this title, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.44)

**70.039 PLAY STREETS; DUTY OF OPERATOR WHEN SIGNS ARE ERECTED.**

Whenever authorized signs are placed which prescribe any street or part thereof as a play street, no person shall drive a vehicle upon any prescribed street, except persons who have business, or who reside within the prescribed area; any person shall exercise the greatest care when driving upon any play street. (Prior Code, ' 7.45)

**70.040 TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNAL LEGEND.**

Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals exhibiting the words AGo,@ ACaution,@ or AStop,@ or exhibiting different colored lights successively 1 at a time, or with arrows, the following colors only shall be used and the terms and light shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

*(A) Green alone or AGo.@*

(1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at the 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 ACaution@ when shown following the green or AGo@ signal.*

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

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

*(C) Red alone or AStop.@*

(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 AGo@ is shown alone. Provided, however, that if a sign is not erected prohibiting turns on red lights, then vehicles may turn right on red lights after coming to a complete stop.

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

(D) *Red with green arrow.*

(1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by the 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 AGo@ is shown alone unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian AWalk@ signal.

(E) *Application.* 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.46)

• **70.041 PEDESTRIAN CONTROL SIGNALS.**

Whenever special pedestrian-control signals exhibiting the words AWalk@ or ADon't Walk@ are in place the signals shall indicate as follows:

(A) *Walk.* Pedestrians facing the signal 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.

(B) *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 AWalk@ signal shall proceed to a sidewalk or safety island while the ADon't Walk@ signal is showing.

(Prior Code, ' 7.47)

• **70.042 FLASHING SIGNALS.**

(A) Whenever an illuminated flashing red or yellow signal is used in a traffic sign or signal it shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:

(1) *Flashing red (stop signal).* When a red lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, or, if none, then before entering the intersection, and the right to proceed shall be subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign.

(2) *Flashing yellow (caution signal).* When a yellow lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection or past the signal only with caution.

(B) This section shall not apply at railroad grade crossings. Conduct of drivers of vehicles approaching railroad grade crossings shall be governed by the rules as set forth in ' 71.04.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.48)

**' 70.043 DISPLAY OF UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS, SIGNALS OR 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 in imitation of or resembles an official traffic control device or railroad 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 or any railroad 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.49) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 70.044 INTERFERENCE WITH OFFICIAL TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES OR RAILROAD SIGNS OR SIGNALS.**

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

(Prior Code, ' 7.50) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 70.045 TRAFFIC LANES.**

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

(Prior Code, ' 7.51) Penalty, see ' 70.999

***PEDESTRIANS*****‘ 70.060 SUBJECT TO TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNALS.**

Pedestrians shall be subject to traffic-control signals as heretofore declared in ‘ ‘ 70.040 and 70.041 of this title, but at all other places pedestrians shall be granted those rights and be subject to the restrictions stated in this title.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.111)

**‘ 70.061 RIGHT-OF-WAY IN CROSSWALK.**

(A) 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 and as stated in ‘ 70.064(B).

(B) 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.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.112)

**‘ 70.062 USE OF RIGHT-HALF OF CROSSWALK.**

Pedestrians shall move, whenever practicable, upon the right half of crosswalks.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.113)

**‘ 70.063 CROSSING AT RIGHT ANGLES.**

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.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.114) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999



**‘ 70.064 WHEN PEDESTRIAN SHALL YIELD.**

(A) Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or 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.

(C) The foregoing rules in this section have no application under the conditions stated in ‘ 70.065 when pedestrians are prohibited from crossing at certain designated places.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.115)

**‘ 70.065 PROHIBITED CROSSING.**

(A) Between adjacent intersections at which traffic-control signals are in operation, pedestrians shall not cross at any place except in a crosswalk.

(B) No pedestrian shall cross a roadway other than in a crosswalk in any business district.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.116) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**‘ 70.066 WALKING ALONG ROADWAYS.**

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

(B) 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.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.117) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**‘ 70.067 SOLICITING RIDES OR BUSINESS.**

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

(B) 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.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.118) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**▸ 70.068 DRIVERS TO EXERCISE DUE CARE.**

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subchapter 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.119)

***BICYCLES*****▸ 70.080 EFFECT OF REGULATIONS.**

(A) 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 subchapter.

(B) 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.121)

**▸ 70.081 TRAFFIC LAWS APPLY.**

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 title applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except as to special regulations in this subchapter and except as to those provisions of laws and ordinances which by their nature can have no application.

(Prior Code, ' 7.122)

**▸ 70.082 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 persons operating a bicycle shall disobey the direction of any sign, except where a person dismounts from the bicycle to make any turn, in which event a person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.

(Prior Code, ' 7.123)

**‘ 70.083 RIDING ON BICYCLES.**

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

(B) No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.124) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**‘ 70.084 RIDING ON ROADWAYS AND BICYCLE PATHS.**

(A) 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.

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

(C) 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.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.125) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**‘ 70.085 SPEED.**

No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.126) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**‘ 70.086 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.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.127) Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

**▸ 70.087 CARRYING ARTICLES.**

No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle, or article which prevents the rider from keeping at least 1 hand upon the handle bars.

(Prior Code, ' 7.128) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**▸ 70.088 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.129) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**▸ 70.089 RIDING ON SIDEWALKS.**

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

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

(C) No person 15 or more years of age shall ride a bicycle upon any sidewalk.

(D) 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.130) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**▸ 70.090 LAMPS AND OTHER 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 a 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 headlamps 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 persons 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 braked wheel skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

(Prior Code, ' 7.131) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 70.999 PENALTY.**

If any person shall violate any provision of this title for which no specific penalty is prescribed, he or she shall be responsible for an infraction and shall be required to pay a penalty of not more than \$50.

***Statutory reference:***

*Similar provisions, see G.S. ' 14-4(b)*



## CHAPTER 71: TRAFFIC RULES

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### • 71.01 SPEED REGULATIONS.

(A) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, it shall be unlawful to operate a vehicle in excess of 35 mph inside the municipal corporate limits.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.61)

(B) It shall be unlawful to operate a vehicle in excess of the speeds listed in Ch. 73, Schedule I.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.62)  
Penalty, see ' 70.999

### • 71.02 TURNING MOVEMENTS.

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 turn on 2-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 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 2-way roadways.* At any intersection where traffic is restricted to 1 direction on 1 or more of the roadways, the driver of a vehicle intending to turn left at any intersection shall approach the intersection in the extreme left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction of travel of the vehicle and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to leave the intersection, as nearly as practicable, in the left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in a direction upon the roadway being entered.

(Prior Code, ' 7.71)

(D) *Signs indicating no Aright@ or Aleft@ or AU@ turn.* Whenever authorized signs are placed which indicate that no Aright@ or Aleft@ or AU@ turn is permitted, the driver of a vehicle shall obey the directions of any sign, and when authorized markers, buttons or other indications are placed within an intersection which indicate the course to be traveled by vehicles traversing or turning, the driver of a vehicle shall obey the directions of the indications.

(Prior Code, ' 7.72)

(E) *Board to determine intersections.* 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 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. Restrictions on turning movements shall be as specified by the town, hereby incorporated herein.

(Prior Code, ' 7.73)

(F) *Business district.* No driver shall turn any vehicle and proceed in the opposite direction within the business district.

(Prior Code, ' 7.74)

Penalty, see ' 70.999

### ' 71.03 ONE-WAY STREETS AND ALLEYS.

(A) Whenever any ordinance designates any 1-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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.81)



(B) Upon those streets and parts of streets and in those alleys described by the town, hereby made a part hereof, vehicular traffic shall move only in the indicated direction when signs indicating the direction of traffic are erected and maintained at every intersection where movement in the opposite direction is prohibited.

(Prior Code, ' 7.82)

#### **' 71.04 SPECIAL STOPS REQUIRED.**

(A) Those streets and parts of streets described in by the town, hereby made a part hereof, are declared to be through streets for the purpose of this chapter.

(Prior Code, ' 7.91)

(B) Whenever any ordinance designates and describes a through street, there shall be a stop sign on each and every street intersecting the through street or intersecting that portion thereof described and designated by any ordinance unless traffic at any intersection is controlled at all times by traffic-control signals; provided, however, that at the intersection of 2 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.92)

(C) The Board may determine and designate intersections where particular hazard exists upon other than through streets and may determine whether vehicles shall stop at 1 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 by the town, hereby made a part hereof.

(Prior Code, ' 7.93)

(D) Every sign erected pursuant to this chapter shall bear the word AStop@ in letters not less than 8 inches in height and the sign 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.94)

(E) 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.95)

(F) No driver shall move his or her vehicle across an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless he or she knows that there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or crosswalk to accommodate his or her vehicle without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians, although a traffic control signal may be indicating his or her right to proceed.

(Prior Code, ' 7.96)

(G) The driver of a vehicle emerging from an alley, driveway or building, shall stop the vehicle immediately prior to reaching the sidewalk, or the 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.97)

(H) Whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad grade crossing under any of the circumstances stated in this section, the driver of the vehicle shall stop within 50 feet but not less than 15 feet from the nearest rail of the railroad, and shall not proceed until he can do so safely. The foregoing requirements shall apply when:

(1) A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a railroad train;

(2) A crossing gate is lowered or when a human flagman gives or continues to give a signal of the approach or passage of a railroad train;

(3) A railroad train approaching within approximately 1,500 feet of the highway crossing emits a signal audible from a distance and the railroad train, by reason of its speed or nearness to the crossing, is an immediate hazard; and

(4) An approaching railroad train is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to the crossing.

(I) No person shall drive any vehicle through, around, or under any crossing gate or barrier at a railroad grade crossing while the gate or barrier is closed or is being opened or closed.

(Prior Code, ' 7.98)

Penalty, see ' 70.999

#### **' 71.05 CLINGING TO VEHICLES.**

Any person riding upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, or any toy vehicle, shall not attach the same or himself or herself to any public conveyance or moving vehicle upon any roadway.

(Prior Code, ' 7.101) Penalty, see ' 70.999

▪ **71.06 DRIVING THROUGH FUNERAL PROCESSIONS.**

No vehicle shall be driven through a funeral procession, except Fire Department vehicles, police patrols and ambulances, and only if the same are responding to calls.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.102) Penalty, see ' 70.999

▪ **71.07 DRIVERS IN A PROCESSION.**

Each driver in a funeral or other procession shall drive as near to the right-hand edge of the roadway as practical and shall follow the vehicle ahead as close as is practical and safe.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.103)

▪ **71.08 LIMITATIONS ON BACKING.**

The driver of a vehicle shall not back it into any intersection or over a crosswalk, nor shall he or she back it unless the movement can be made in safety, and unless ample warning has been given by hand and horn or other signal.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.104)

▪ **71.09 DRIVING ON ROADWAYS LANED FOR TRAFFIC.**

All vehicles operated on any roadway which has been marked with traffic lanes, shall be driven, as nearly as practical, entirely within a single lane and shall not be moved out of the lane until the driver has first ascertained that the movement can be made with safety.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.105)

▪ **71.10 RIDING ON MOTORCYCLES.**

A person operating a motorcycle shall ride only upon the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, and no other person shall ride on a motorcycle unless the motorcycle is designed to carry more than 1 person in which event a passenger may ride upon the permanent and regular seat if designed for 2 persons, or upon another seat firmly attached to the rear or side of the operator.  
(Prior Code, ' 7.106)

**' 71.11 CONTROLLED ACCESS.**

No person shall drive a vehicle onto or from any controlled access roadway except at entrances and exits as are established by public authority.

(Prior Code, ' 7.107) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 71.12 DRIVING OR RIDING IN PARK.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or park a motor vehicle, motorcycle, mini-bike, or ordinary bicycle within the gates which are the entrance to the recreation area at Weeks Park.

(Prior Code, ' 7.108) (Ord. passed 4-7-1980) Penalty, see ' 70.999

## CHAPTER 72: PARKING REGULATIONS

### Section

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***METHOD OF PARKING*****▸ 72.01 DESIGNATED.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to park an automobile in any manner other than parallel to the curb, except at those locations where angle parking is permitted and appropriate signs or marking authorizing angle parking are in place.

(Prior Code, ' 7.141) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**▸ 72.02 DIAGONAL OR ANGLE PARKING.**

Where signs or other markings permitting angle or diagonal parking are in place, automobiles and other vehicles shall be parked at an angle approximately 45 degrees with the curb.

(Prior Code, ' 7.142)

**▸ 72.03 SIGNS OR MARKINGS INDICATING ANGLE PARKING.**

(A) The Board shall determine upon what streets angle parking shall be permitted and shall mark or sign the streets, which are specified by the town, hereby made a part hereof.

(B) 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.143)

**▸ 72.04 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 between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise, the vehicle shall be equipped with 1 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 headlamps upon a parked vehicle shall be depressed or dimmed.

(Prior Code, ' 7.144)

*STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING PROHIBITED IN SPECIFIC PLACES*

• **72.20 PROHIBITED PARKING; NO SIGNS REQUIRED.**

(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 of 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 signposted);
- (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 or curb of a street;
- (13) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;  
and/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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.151) Penalty, see ' 70.999

▪ **72.21 VEHICLES NOT TO STOP IN STREETS; EXCEPTIONS.**

No vehicle shall stop in any street, except for the purpose of parking as prescribed in this section, 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.152)

▪ **72.22 PARKING NOT TO OBSTRUCT TRAFFIC.**

No person shall park any vehicle upon a street, other than an alley, in a manner or under the conditions as to leave available less than 10 feet of the width of the roadway for free movement of vehicular traffic.

(Prior Code, ' 7.153) Penalty, see ' 70.999

▪ **72.23 DESIGNATED PURPOSES; PROHIBITED.**

No person shall stand, or park a vehicle upon any street for the following purposes:

(A) Displaying it for sale;

(B) Washing, greasing, or repairing vehicles, excepting repairs necessitated by an emergency;

(C) Storage thereof by garages, dealers or other persons;

(D) Storage of any detached trailer or van when the towing-unit has been disconnected;

(E) Transferring merchandise or freight from one vehicle to another; or

(F) The primary purpose of advertising.

(Prior Code, ' 7.154) Penalty, see ' 70.999



**' 72.24 PARKING IN ALLEYS.**

No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in a manner or under the conditions as to leave available less than 10 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.155) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 72.25 ALL-NIGHT PARKING PROHIBITED.**

No person shall park a vehicle between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. of any day, on the streets specified by the town, hereby made a part hereof.

(Prior Code, ' 7.156) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 72.26 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.157) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 72.27 STANDING OR PARKING ON 1-WAY ROADWAYS.**

In the event a highway includes 2 or more separate roadways and traffic is restricted to 1 direction upon any roadway, no person shall stand or park a vehicle upon the left-hand side of a 1-way roadway unless signs are erected to permit standing or parking.

(Prior Code, ' 7.158) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**' 72.28 NO STOPPING; STANDING OR PARKING NEAR HAZARDOUS OR CONGESTED PLACES.**

When official signs are erected at hazardous or congested places no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle in any designated place.

(Prior Code, ' 7.159) Penalty, see ' 70.999

*LOADING AND UNLOADING***72.40 LOADING AND UNLOADING 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 subchapter.

(Prior Code, ' 7.161) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**72.41 PASSENGER LOADING ZONES.**

The streets, or parts thereof, described by the town, hereby incorporated herein, are hereby designated as passenger 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 loading or unloading of passengers, and then only for a period not to exceed 10 minutes.

(Prior Code, ' 7.162) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**72.42 COMMERCIAL LOADING ZONES.**

The streets, or parts thereof, described in Ch. 74, Sch. II, hereby incorporated herein, 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.

(Prior Code, ' 7.163) Penalty, see ' 70.999

**72.43 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 by the town, hereby made a part hereof.

(Prior Code, ' 7.164)

‘ **72.44 BUSES AND TAXICABS; REGULATION AND RESTRICTION.**

(A) 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.

(B) 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.

(C) 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.

(D) The operator of a taxicab shall not stand or park the vehicle upon any street at any place other than in 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.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.165)

(E) No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop, or 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.  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.166)  
Penalty, see ‘ 70.999

***STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING RESTRICTED OR  
PROHIBITED ON CERTAIN STREETS***

‘ **72.55 APPLICATION.**

The provisions of this subchapter 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  
(Prior Code, ‘ 7.171)

**‘ 72.56 REGULATIONS NOT EXCLUSIVE.**

The provisions of this subchapter imposing a time limit on parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.172)

**‘ 72.57 PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS.**

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the streets described in Ch. 74, Sch. I, hereby made a part hereof.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.173)

**‘ 72.58 PARKING TIME LIMITED ON CERTAIN STREETS.**

When signs are erected in each block giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than the times specified within the district or upon any of the streets described by the town, hereby made a part hereof.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.174)

**‘ 72.59 PARKING SIGNS REQUIRED.**

Whenever by this or any other chapter any parking time limit is imposed or parking is 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.

(Prior Code, ‘ 7.175)

***Statutory reference:***

*Similar provision, see G.S. 160A-300 through 160A-302*

## CHAPTER 73: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES

### Schedule

#### I. Speed limits

#### **SCHEDULE I. SPEED LIMITS.**

<i>Street</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Speed Limit</i>
N.C. Highway 50-55	From a point located thereon approximately 0.85 mile west of its intersection with State Road No. 1703 and running in an easterly direction for 0.7 mile.	55 mph
N.C. Highway 50-55	From a point located thereon 0.30 mile east of the traffic circle and running in an easterly direction along the highway for 0.70 mile.	55 mph
U.S. Highway No. 13	From State Road No. 1704 to the eastern corporate limits approximately 0.76 mile east of State Road No. 1704.	55 mph
U.S. Highway No. 701	From State Road 1703 to the northern corporate limits, approximately 0.32 mile north of State Road No. 1549.	55 mph
State Road No. 1703	From State Road No. 1704 to the eastern corporate limit, approximately 0.86 mile east of State Road No. 1704.	55 mph
State Road No. 1700	From U.S. Highway No. 701 to the northern corporate limit, approximately 0.48 mile north of U.S. Highway No. 701.	55 mph
State Road No. 1649	From U.S. Highway No. 701 to the northern corporate limit, approximately 0.35 mile north of U.S. Highway No. 701.	55 mph
N.C. Highway 50-55	From Newton Grove westerly corporate limit at a point 0.41 mile east of the bifurcation of N.C.	45 mph

<i>Street</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Speed Limit</i>
	Highways 50 and 55, eastward to State Road No. 1703.	
N.C. Highway 50-55	From the western corporate limit approximately 0.85 mile west of State Road No. 1703, eastward to Carolina Street.	45 mph
N.C. Highway 50-55	From the western corporate limit, approximately 0.85 mile west of State Road No. 1703, eastward for 0.70 mile.	45 mph
N.C. Highway 50-55	From the western corporate limit approximately 0.85 mile west of State Road No. 1703, eastward for 0.70 mile.	45 mph
N.C. Highway 50-55	From a point 0.30 mile east of the traffic circle east to the eastern corporate limit approximately 0.70 mile east of the traffic circle.	55 mph
Weeks Circle	From a point on Weeks Circle, west, 2524 feet, at the intersection of Carolina Street.	35 mph
Weeks Circle	From a point on Weeks Circle, eastward on N.C. Highway 55 for 3722 feet, to the corporate limits	35 mph

(Prior Code, ' 121) (Ord. passed 2-1-1977)

## CHAPTER 74: PARKING SCHEDULES

### Section

- I. Prohibited parking
- II. Commercial loading zones

### SCHEDULE I. PROHIBITED PARKING.

<i>Location</i>	<i>Prohibition</i>	<i>Ord. No.</i>	<i>Date Passed</i>
Within the gates, which are the entrance to the recreation area at Weeks Park	It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle, motorcycle, mini-bike, or ordinary bicycle.	--	29682
On hill fill between Dr. Wilson=s office and corner of wire fence at L.W. Grantham=s pasture.	It shall be unlawful to park cars or motor vehicles.	--	12923
In the driveway leading by the side of First Citizens Bank & Trust Company from Fayetteville Street to Corbett Raynor=s Esso Station	It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle.	--	22556
Within the traffic circle in the town.	It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle.	--	22466
Within the highway right-of-way along the west side of Highway 701 from a point beginning at the intersection of the right-of-way line with the southern line of Jack=s Grill property and runs thence along the right-of-way line to its intersection with the northern property line of Jack=s Grill property.	No parking of any motor vehicle shall be permitted at any time.	--	23501
Within the highway right-of-way along	No parking of any motor	--	29317

<i>Location</i>	<i>Prohibition</i>	<i>Ord. No.</i>	<i>Date Passed</i>
the east side of U.S. Highway 701 North from a point beginning at the intersection of the right-of-way line with the southern line of the entrance to Circle Plaza and then running along the right-of-way for a distance of 40 feet in a southerly direction.	vehicle shall be permitted at any time.		
Within the highway right-of-way along the west side of U.S. Highway 701 South, from a point beginning at the intersection of the right-of-way line with the northern line of the entrance to Weeks Park and thence running along the right-of-way line for a distance of 30 feet in a northerly direction.	No parking of any motor vehicle shall be permitted at any time.	--	29317
On or within the street right-of-way of Park Drive.	No parking of any motor vehicle shall be permitted at any time.	--	29317
Within the highway right-of-way along the South side of U.S. 13, from a point beginning at the intersection of Church Street and U.S. 13 and running thence along the right-of-way for a distance of 640 feet in a north eastern direction.	No parking of any motor vehicle shall be permitted at any time.	--	--
Within the highway of right-of-way along U.S. Highway 701 North, from a point beginning at Weeks Circle running thence along the right-of-way line to Circle Street.	No parking of any motor vehicle shall be permitted at any time.	--	--

(Prior Code, ' 101)

## **SCHEDULE II. COMMERCIAL LOADING ZONES.**

<i>Street</i>	<i>Prohibition</i>	<i>Ord. No.</i>	<i>Date Passed</i>
Circle Street	It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a truck with more than 2 axles, unless delivering merchandise to 1 of the stores or picking up merchandise from 1 of the stores located on Circle Street.	--	22556

(Prior Code, ' 130)



