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## **CHAPTER 70: TRAFFIC REGULATIONS**

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### **§ 70.01 REQUIRED OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC ORDINANCES.**

It is a misdemeanor for any person to do any act forbidden, or fail or refuse to perform any act required in this title.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. I, § 1) Penalty, see § 10.99

### **§ 70.02 OBEDIENCE TO POLICE.**

No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction by a police officer.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. I, § 2) Penalty, see § 10.99

### **§ 70.03 AUTHORITY OF POLICE IN SPECIAL CASES.**

In the event of a fire or other emergency, or when necessary to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, a police officer may direct traffic as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of this title.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. I, § 3)

**§ 70.04 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES TO OBEY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.**

The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the driver of any vehicle owned by, or used by and in the service of, the United States government, this state, county or town and it shall be unlawful for any said driver to violate any of the provisions of this chapter, except as otherwise permitted in this chapter or by state statute.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. I, § 4) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 70.05 EXEMPTIONS TO AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES.**

(A) The provisions of this chapter regulating the operation, parking and standing of vehicles shall apply to authorized emergency vehicles, except as follows.

(B) A driver, when operating such vehicle in any emergency, except when otherwise directed by a police officer, may:

- (1) Park or stand, notwithstanding 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;
- (3) Exceed the prima facie speed limits so long as he or she does not endanger life or property;
- (4) Disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning, in specified directions so long as he or she does not endanger life or property; and
- (5) The foregoing exemptions shall not, however, protect the driver of any such vehicles from the consequences of his or her reckless disregard of the safety of others.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. I, § 5)

**§ 70.06 PERSONS PROPELLING PUSH CARTS OR RIDING BICYCLES OR ANIMALS TO OBEY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.**

Persons propelling any push cart, or riding a bicycle or an animal upon a roadway and every person driving an animal drawn vehicle, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter applicable to the driver of any vehicle except those provisions of this title which, by their very nature, can have no application.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. I, § 6)

**§ 70.07 FARM TRACTORS AND OTHER TYPES OF TRACTOR-LIKE VEHICLES TO OBEY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.**

Persons operating farm tractors or other tractor-like vehicles shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter, except those provisions of this title which, by their very nature, can have no application.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. I, § 7)

## **CHAPTER 71: TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES**

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### **§ 71.01 OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.**

(A) The driver of any vehicle shall obey the directions of any official traffic control device applicable thereto and placed in accordance with the traffic ordinances of this town, unless otherwise directed by a police officer, subject to the exemptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in § 70.05.

(B) No provision of this title 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 ordinary observant person. Whenever a particular section does not state that signs are required, such section shall be effective without signs being placed to give notice thereof.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. II, § 1)

### **§ 71.02 OBEDIENCE TO SIGNS.**

Whenever authorized signs are placed, erected or installed for the purpose of traffic regulation or control or parking regulation, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of any such sign, or when authorized markers or other indications are placed within an intersection, indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles traversing or turning thereat, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of such indications.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. II, § 2) Penalty, see § 10.99

## **CHAPTER 72: STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING**

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**§ 72.01 VEHICLES NOT TO STOP IN STREETS; EXCEPTIONS.**

No vehicle shall stop in any street except for the purpose of parking as prescribed in this title, unless such stop is made necessary by the approach of fire apparatus, by the approach of a funeral or other procession which is given the right-of-way.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 1) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.02 VEHICLES NOT TO OBSTRUCT PASSING OTHER VEHICLES.**

No vehicle shall stand on any street so as to interrupt or interfere with the passage of public conveyances or other vehicles.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 2) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.03 PARKING TIME LIMITED TO 15 MINUTES IN DESIGNATED PLACES.**

When signs are placed, erected or installed giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than 15 minutes at any one time.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 3) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.04 PARKING PARALLEL TO CURB UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY PARKING LANES.**

Where not otherwise indicated, and where the street is not marked to show how vehicles shall park, all vehicles shall park parallel to the curb and not more than 12 inches from the curb.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 4) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.05 VEHICLES BACKED UP TO CURB.**

In no case shall a vehicle remain backed up to the curb, except when actually loading or unloading.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 5) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.06 LEFT SIDE TO CURB, NOT PERMITTED IN BUSINESS DISTRICT.**

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No vehicle shall stop with its left side to the curb in the business district.  
(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 6) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.07 PARKING WITHIN LINES WHERE PROVIDED.**

On any street which is marked off with lines indicating the parking spaces for cars, the same shall be parked within and between said lines.  
(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 7) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.08 UNLAWFUL PARKING.**

No person shall stand or park a vehicle upon the street for the principle purposes of:

- (A) Displaying it for sale;
- (B) Washing, greasing or repairing such vehicle, except repairs necessitated by an emergency;
- (C) Storage thereof by garages, dealers or other persons when such storage is not incident to the bona fide use and operation of such vehicle or automobile; and/or
- (D) Storage thereof 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.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 8) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.09 STANDING OR PARKED VEHICLES FOR PRIMARY PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING PROHIBITED.**

No person shall stand, stop or park any vehicle for the purpose primarily of advertising.  
(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 9) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.10 PARKING PROHIBITED BY FIRE HYDRANTS AND ON CEMENT AREA DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE FIRE STATION.**

- (A) No person may park any vehicle within 15 feet in any direction of a fire hydrant.
- (B) No person may park any vehicle at any time on the cement apron located directly in front of the fire station.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 10) Penalty, see § 10.99

**§ 72.11 PARKING PROHIBITED WHEN OBSTRUCTING PRIVATE OR PUBLIC DRIVEWAYS.**

No person may park any vehicle so as to obstruct entrance or exit of vehicles to or from private or public driveways.

(1973 Code, Ch. F, Art. III, § 11) Penalty, see § 10.99

## CHAPTER 73: RESERVED

## CHAPTER 74: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES

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Schedule

### I. Speed limits

#### SCHEDULE I. SPEED LIMITS.

<i>Description</i>	<i>Speed Limit (mph)</i>	<i>Ord.</i>	<i>Date Passed</i>
<i>Page Street (S.R. 1534) from Church Street (N.C. 222) to the eastern corporate limit, approximately 0.47 mile east of N.C. 222</i>	55	-	8-6-1980