

# **TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES**

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## CHAPTER 60

### ADMINISTRATION OF TRAFFIC CODE

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**60.01 TITLE.** Chapters 60 through 70 of this Code of Ordinances may be known and cited as the "Pleasantville Traffic Code."

**60.02 DEFINITIONS.** Where words and phrases used in the Traffic Code are defined by State law, such definitions apply to their use in said Traffic Code and are adopted by reference. Those definitions so adopted that need further definition or are reiterated, and other words and phrases used herein, have the following meanings:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.1)*

1. "Business District" means the territory contiguous to and including the following designated streets:
  - A. Monroe Street from Polk Street to Columbus Street.
  - B. Jefferson Street from Jasper Street to Jackson Street.
  - C. Washington Street from Jasper Street to Jackson Street.
  - D. Jackson Street from Polk Street to Columbus Street.
2. "Park" or "parking" 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 merchandise or passengers.
3. "Peace officer" means every officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.
4. "Residence district" means the territory contiguous to and including a highway not comprising a business, suburban or school district, where forty percent (40%) or more of the frontage on such a highway for a distance of three hundred (300) feet or more is occupied by dwellings or by dwellings and buildings in use for business.
5. "School district" means the territory contiguous to and including a highway for a distance of two hundred (200) feet in either direction from a schoolhouse.
6. "Stand" or "standing" means the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers.
7. "Stop" means when required, the complete cessation of movement.
8. "Stop" or "stopping" means when prohibited, any halting of a vehicle, even momentarily, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with

other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a peace officer or traffic control sign or signal.

9. “Suburban district” means all other parts of the City not included in the business, school, or residence districts.

10. “Traffic control device” means all signs, signals, markings, and devices not inconsistent with this chapter, lawfully placed or erected for the purpose of regulating, warning, or guiding traffic.

11. “Vehicle” means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a public highway, street, or alley.

**60.03 ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT.** Provisions of this Traffic Code and State law relating to motor vehicles and law of the road are enforced by the Police Department.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4]*)

**60.04 POWER TO DIRECT TRAFFIC.** A peace officer or, in the absence of a peace officer, any officer of the Fire Department when at the scene of a fire, is authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand, or signal in conformance with traffic laws. In the event of an emergency, traffic may be directed as conditions require, notwithstanding the provisions of the traffic laws.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 102.4 & 321.236[2]*)

**60.05 REPORTS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.** The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident within the limits of the City shall file a report as and when required by the Iowa Department of Transportation. A copy of this report shall be filed with the City for the confidential use of peace officers and shall be subject to the provisions of Section 321.271 of the *Code of Iowa*.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.273*)

**60.06 PEACE OFFICER’S AUTHORITY.** A peace officer is authorized to stop a vehicle to require exhibition of the driver’s license of the driver, to serve a summons or memorandum of traffic violation, to inspect the condition of the vehicle, to inspect the vehicle with reference to size, weight, cargo, log book, bills of lading or other manifest of employment, tires and safety equipment, or to inspect the registration certificate, the compensation certificate, travel order, or permit of such vehicle. A peace officer having probable cause to stop a vehicle may require exhibition of the proof of financial liability coverage card issued for the vehicle.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.492*)

**60.07 OBEDIENCE TO PEACE OFFICERS.** No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of any peace officer invested by law with authority to direct, control or regulate traffic.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.229*)

**60.08 PARADES REGULATED.** No person shall conduct or cause any parade on any street except as provided herein:

1. "Parade" Defined. "Parade" means any march or procession of persons or vehicles organized for marching or moving on the streets in an organized fashion or manner or any march or procession of persons or vehicles represented or advertised to the public as a parade.
2. Permit Required. No parade shall be conducted without first obtaining a written permit from the Council . Such permit shall state the time and date for the parade to be held and the streets or general route therefor. Such written permit granted to the person organizing or sponsoring the parade shall be permission for all participants therein to parade when such participants have been invited by the permittee to participate therein.
3. Parade Not a Street Obstruction. Any parade for which a permit has been issued as herein required, and the persons lawfully participating therein, shall not be deemed an obstruction of the streets notwithstanding the provisions of any other ordinance to the contrary.
4. Control by Police and Firefighters. Persons participating in any parade shall at all times be subject to the lawful orders and directions in the performance of their duties of law enforcement personnel and members of the Fire Department.

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## CHAPTER 61

### TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

**61.01**    **Installation**  
**61.02**    **Crosswalks**  
**61.03**    **Traffic Lanes**

**61.04**    **Standards**  
**61.05**    **Compliance**

**61.01    INSTALLATION.** The Public Works Director shall cause to be placed and maintained traffic control devices when and as required under this Traffic Code or under State law or emergency or temporary traffic control devices for the duration of an emergency or temporary condition as traffic conditions may require to regulate, guide or warn traffic. The Public Works Director shall keep a record of all such traffic control devices.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.255)*

**61.02    CROSSWALKS.** The Public Works Director is hereby authorized, subject to approval of the Council by resolution, to designate and maintain crosswalks by appropriate traffic control devices at intersections where, due to traffic conditions, there is particular danger to pedestrians crossing the street or roadway, and at such other places as traffic conditions require.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4] & 321.255)*

**61.03    TRAFFIC LANES.** The Public Works Director is hereby authorized to mark lanes for traffic on street pavements at such places as traffic conditions require, consistent with this Traffic Code. Where such traffic lanes have been marked, it is unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep such vehicle within the boundaries of any such lane except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4] & 321.255)*

**61.04    STANDARDS.** Traffic control devices shall comply with standards established by The Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.255)*

**61.05    COMPLIANCE.** No driver of a vehicle shall disobey the instructions of any official traffic control device placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, unless at the time otherwise directed by a peace officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle under Section 321.231 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.256)*

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## CHAPTER 62

### GENERAL TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

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**62.01 VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS.** Any person who willfully fails or refuses to comply with any lawful order of a peace officer or direction of a Fire Department officer during a fire, or who fails to abide by the applicable provisions of the following Iowa statutory laws relating to motor vehicles and the statutory law of the road is in violation of this section. These sections of the *Code of Iowa* are adopted by reference and are as follows:

1. Section 321.17 - Misdemeanor to violate registration provisions.
2. Section 321.32 - Registration card, carried and exhibited; exception.
3. Section 321.37 - Display of plates.
4. Section 321.38 - Plates, method of attaching, imitations prohibited.
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13. Section 321.115 - Antique vehicles; model year plates permitted.
14. Section 321.174 - Operators licensed.
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18. Section 321.193 - Restricted licenses.
19. Section 321.194 - Special minor's licenses.
20. Section 321.208A - Operation in violation of out-of-service order.
21. Section 321.216 - Unlawful use of license and nonoperator's identification card.
22. Section 321.216B - Use of driver's license or nonoperator's identification card by underage person to obtain alcohol.

23. Section 321.216C - Use of driver's license or nonoperator's identification card by underage person to obtain cigarettes or tobacco products.
24. Section 321.218 - Operating without valid driver's license or when disqualified.
25. Section 321.219 - Permitting unauthorized minor to drive.
26. Section 321.220 - Permitting unauthorized person to drive.
27. Section 321.221 - Employing unlicensed chauffeur.
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30. Section 321.224 - Record kept.
31. Section 321.232 - Speed detection jamming devices; penalty.
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33. Section 321.235A - Electric personal assistive mobility devices.
34. Section 321.247 - Golf cart operation on City streets.
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- 129. Section 321.421 - Special restrictions on lamps.
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- 132. Section 321.430 - Brake, hitch, and control requirements.
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- 158. Section 321.463 - Maximum gross weight.
- 159. Section 321.465 - Weighing vehicles and removal of excess.
- 160. Section 321.466 - Increased loading capacity; reregistration.

**62.02 PLAY STREETS DESIGNATED.** The Council shall have authority to declare any street or part thereof a play street and cause to be placed appropriate signs or devices in the roadway indicating and helping to protect the same. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating any street or part thereof as a play street, no person shall drive a vehicle upon any such street or portion thereof except drivers of vehicles having business or whose residences are within such closed area, and then any said driver shall exercise the greatest care in driving upon any such street or portion thereof.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.255)*

**62.03 VEHICLES ON SIDEWALKS.** The driver of a vehicle shall not drive upon or within any sidewalk area except at a driveway.

**62.04 CLINGING TO VEHICLE.** No person shall drive a motor vehicle on the streets of the City unless all passengers of said vehicle are inside the vehicle in the place intended for their accommodation. No person riding upon any bicycle, coaster, roller skates, in-line skates, sled, or toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself or herself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

**62.05 QUIET ZONES.** Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating a quiet zone, no person operating a motor vehicle within any such zone shall sound the horn or other warning device of such vehicle except in an emergency.

**62.06 OBSTRUCTING VIEW AT INTERSECTIONS.** It is unlawful to allow any tree, hedge, billboard, or other object to obstruct the view of an intersection by preventing persons from having a clear view of traffic approaching the intersection from cross streets. Any such obstruction is deemed a nuisance and in addition to the standard penalty may be abated in the manner provided by Chapter 50 of this Code of Ordinances.

**62.07 MILLING.** It is unlawful to drive or operate a vehicle, either singly or with others, in any processional milling or repeated movement over any street to the interference with normal traffic use, or to the annoyance or offense of any person.

**62.08 DRIVING IN PARKS AND CEMETERIES.** No driver of any vehicle shall drive upon the roadways contained within the grounds of any park or cemetery in the City between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; provided, however, a sign must be posted plainly legible to all motorists entering the park or cemetery indicating such prohibition.

**62.09 OPERATION PROHIBITED ON RECREATIONAL TRAIL.** A person shall not operate any vehicle upon the Joseph Stubbs Recreational Trail.  
*(Ord. 08-11-13, passed 11-17-2008)*

## CHAPTER 63

### SPEED REGULATIONS

|       |                                     |       |                              |
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| 63.01 | General                             | 63.04 | Special Speed Zones          |
| 63.02 | State Code Speed Limits             | 63.05 | Minimum Speed                |
| 63.03 | Parks, Cemeteries, and Parking Lots | 63.06 | Controlled Access Facilities |

**63.01 GENERAL.** Every driver of a motor vehicle on a street shall drive the same at a careful and prudent speed not greater than nor less than is reasonable and proper, having due regard to the traffic, surface and width of the street and of any other conditions then existing, and no person shall drive a vehicle on any street at a speed greater than will permit said driver to bring it to a stop within the assured clear distance ahead, such driver having the right to assume, however, that all persons using said street will observe the law.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.285*)

**63.02 STATE CODE SPEED LIMITS.** The following speed limits are established in Section 321.285 of the *Code of Iowa* and any speed in excess thereof is unlawful unless specifically designated otherwise in this chapter as a special speed zone.

1. Business District - twenty (20) miles per hour.
2. Residence or School District - twenty-five (25) miles per hour.
3. Suburban District - forty-five (45) miles per hour.
4. Highway - fifty-five (55) miles per hour on Highway 5 within city limits.

(*Ord. 1402, passed 11-3-2014*)

**63.03 PARKS, CEMETERIES, AND PARKING LOTS.** A speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour in any public park, cemetery, or parking lot, unless specifically designated otherwise in this chapter, is unlawful.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[5]*)

**63.04 SPECIAL SPEED ZONES.** In accordance with requirements of the Iowa Department of Transportation, or whenever the Council shall determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that any speed limit listed in Section 63.02 is greater or less than is reasonable or safe under the conditions found to exist at any intersection or other place or upon any part of the City street system, the Council shall determine and adopt by ordinance such higher or lower speed limit as it deems reasonable and safe at such location. The following special speed zones have been established:  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.290*)

1. Special Thirty-Five (35) MPH Speed Zones. A speed in excess of thirty-five (35) miles per hour is unlawful on any of the following designated streets or parts thereof.

- A. On Hayes Drive from the west City limits to a point 728 feet east.
- B. On Hayes Drive from the Highway 5 Bypass west to 35th Avenue.
- C. On Business Highway 5 from 225 feet west of Iowa Street to intersection with State Street shall be 35 miles per hour.

2. Business Highway 5 bypass to 225 feet west of Iowa Street shall be 45 miles per hour.

- A. On 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Hayes Drive to Hemstead Street.

*(Ord. 12-06-04, passed 6-18-2012; Ord. 07-06-14, passed 6-18-2007)*

**63.05 MINIMUM SPEED.** A person shall not drive a motor vehicle at such 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.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.294)*

**63.06 CONTROLLED ACCESS FACILITIES.** Speed limits on controlled access facilities are as specified in Chapter 140 of this Code of Ordinances.



## CHAPTER 64

# TURNING REGULATIONS

**64.01**     Turning at Intersections  
**64.02**     U-Turns

**64.03**     Left Turn for Parking

**64.02 TURNING AT INTERSECTIONS.** The driver of a vehicle intending to turn at an intersection shall do so as follows:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.311)*

1. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn shall be made as close as practical to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway.
2. Approach for a left turn shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the centerline thereof and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to depart from the intersection to the right of the centerline of the roadway being entered.
3. Approach for a left turn from a two-way street into a one-way street shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the centerline thereof and by passing to the right of such centerline where it enters the intersection. A left turn from a one-way street into a two-way street shall be made by passing to the right of the centerline of the street being entered upon leaving the intersection.

The Public Works Director may cause markers, buttons or signs to be placed within or adjacent to intersections and thereby require and direct, as traffic conditions require, that a different course from that specified above be traveled by vehicles turning at intersections, and when markers, buttons or signs are so placed, no driver of a vehicle shall turn a vehicle at an intersection other than as directed and required by such markers, buttons or signs.

**64.02 U-TURNS.** It is unlawful for a driver to make a U-turn except at an intersection; however, U-turns are prohibited within the business district.

**64.03 LEFT TURN FOR PARKING.** No person shall make a left hand turn, crossing the centerline of the street, for the purpose of parking on said street.

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## CHAPTER 65

### STOP OR YIELD REQUIRED

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|-------|-------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|
| 65.01 | Stop Required                 | 65.04 | Stop When Traffic Is Obstructed    |
| 65.02 | School Stops                  | 65.05 | Yield to Pedestrians in Crosswalks |
| 65.03 | Stop Before Crossing Sidewalk |       |                                    |

**65.01 STOP REQUIRED.** Every driver of a vehicle shall stop in accordance with the following:

1. Northbound Traffic.
  - A. Northbound traffic on Madison Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (county Road G-40)
  - B. Northbound traffic on State Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
  - C. Northbound traffic on Polk Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40)
  - D. Northbound traffic on Polk Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - E. Northbound traffic on Jefferson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40)
  - F. Northbound traffic on Jefferson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - G. Northbound traffic on Washington Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - H. Northbound traffic on Washington Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
  - I. Northbound traffic on Washington Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
  - J. Northbound traffic on Columbus Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - K. Northbound traffic on Columbus Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - L. Northbound traffic on Columbus Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
  - M. Northbound traffic on Columbus Street shall stop before entering or crossing North Street.
  - N. Northbound traffic on Douglas Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.

- O. Northbound traffic on Douglas Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
- P. Northbound traffic on Douglas Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- Q. Northbound traffic on Iowa Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- R. Northbound traffic on Breckenridge Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
- S. Northbound traffic on Breckenridge Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- T. Northbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
- U. Northbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jackson Street.
- V. Northbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- W. Northbound traffic on Watkins Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
- X. Northbound traffic on Watkins Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- Y. Northbound traffic on Fairview Drive shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
- Z. Northbound traffic on Linden Street shall stop before entering or crossing Pleasant Street.
- AA. Northbound traffic on Linden Street shall stop before entering or crossing Clark Street.
- BB. Northbound traffic on Jefferson Street shall stop before entering or crossing North Street.
- CC. Northbound traffic on Jefferson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
- DD. Northbound traffic on Polk Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
- EE. Northbound traffic on West Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jones Street.
- FF. Northbound traffic on Sunset Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jones Street.
- GG. Northbound traffic on Old Cemetery Road shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
- HH. Northbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jackson Street.
- II. Northbound on 35th Avenue shall stop before entering Hayes Drive.
- JJ. Northbound traffic on 35th Avenue shall stop before entering or crossing Hayes Drive.

2. Southbound Traffic.
  - A. Southbound traffic on Watkins Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - B. Southbound traffic on Watkins Street shall stop before entering or crossing Dewitt Street.
  - C. Southbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jackson Street.
  - D. Southbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - E. Southbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - F. Southbound traffic on Breckenridge Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - G. Southbound traffic on Breckenridge Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - H. Southbound traffic on Douglas Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
  - I. Southbound traffic on Douglas Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - J. Southbound traffic on Douglas Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - K. Southbound traffic on Columbus Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
  - L. Southbound traffic on Columbus Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - M. Southbound traffic on Columbus Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - N. Southbound traffic on Washington Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
  - O. Southbound traffic on Washington Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - P. Southbound traffic on Washington Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - Q. Southbound traffic on Jefferson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - R. Southbound traffic on Jefferson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - S. Southbound traffic on Polk Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - T. Southbound traffic on Polk Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40) Street.
  - U. Southbound traffic on State Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.

- V. Southbound traffic on State Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
  - W. Southbound traffic on State Street shall stop before entering or crossing Monroe Street.
  - X. Southbound traffic on West Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - Y. Southbound traffic on Sunset Drive shall stop before entering or crossing Jasper Street (County Road G-40).
  - Z. Southbound traffic on Linden Street shall stop before entering or crossing West Pleasant Street.
  - AA. Southbound traffic on Jefferson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Broadway Street.
  - BB. Southbound traffic on Church Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jackson Street.
  - CC. Southbound traffic on SpringView Drive shall stop before entering or crossing W Pleasant Street.
3. Eastbound Traffic.
- A. Eastbound traffic on DeWitt Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.
  - B. Eastbound traffic on DeWitt Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
  - C. Eastbound traffic on Jasper Street (County Road G-40) shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.
  - D. Eastbound traffic on Jasper Street (County Road G-40) shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
  - E. Eastbound traffic on Newton Street shall stop before entering or crossing Douglas Street.
  - F. Eastbound traffic on Newton Street shall stop before entering or crossing Breckenridge Street.
  - G. Eastbound traffic on Newton Street shall stop before entering or crossing Church Street.
  - H. Eastbound traffic on Newton Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.
  - I. Eastbound traffic on Monroe Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
  - J. Eastbound traffic on Monroe Street shall stop before entering or crossing Breckenridge Street.
  - K. Eastbound traffic on Monroe Street shall stop before entering or crossing Watkins Street.
  - L. Eastbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jefferson Street.
  - M. Eastbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
  - N. Eastbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.

- O. Eastbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Douglas Street.
- P. Eastbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Breckenridge Street.
- Q. Eastbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Watkins Street.
- R. Eastbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
- S. Eastbound traffic exiting from Cora Shadle Memorial Park shall stop before entering or crossing Jones Street.
- T. Eastbound traffic on Broadway Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
- U. Eastbound traffic on Broadway Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- V. Eastbound traffic on Jones Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
- W. Eastbound traffic on North Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
- X. Eastbound traffic on North Street shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- Y. Eastbound traffic on Pleasant Street shall stop before entering or crossing Linden Street.
- Z. Eastbound traffic on Pleasant Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
- AA. Eastbound traffic on Pleasant Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
- BB. Eastbound traffic on Clark Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
- CC. Eastbound traffic on Linden Circle shall stop before entering or crossing Linden Street.
- DD. Eastbound traffic on Linden Place shall stop before entering or crossing Linden Street.
- EE. Eastbound traffic on Linden Lane shall stop before entering or crossing Linden Street.
- FF. Eastbound traffic on Golfview Drive shall stop before entering or crossing Business Highway #5.
- GG. Eastbound traffic on Dallas Street shall stop before entering or crossing Polk Street.
- HH. Eastbound traffic on Mill Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jefferson Street.
- II. Eastbound traffic on Mill Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.
- JJ. Eastbound traffic on Collins Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.

- KK. Eastbound traffic on Jasper Street shall stop before entering State Hwy 5.
- LL. Eastbound traffic on Hayes shall stop before entering State Hwy 5.
- MM. Eastbound traffic on Hayes Drive shall stop before entering or crossing State Highway #5.
- NN. Eastbound traffic on Mills Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.
- OO. Eastbound traffic on Lily Lane shall stop before entering or crossing SpringView Drive.
- 4. Westbound Traffic.
  - A. Westbound traffic on Pleasant Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
  - B. Westbound traffic on North Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
  - C. Westbound traffic on North Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
  - D. Westbound traffic on Broadway Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
  - E. Westbound traffic on Broadway Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
  - F. Westbound traffic on Dallas Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
  - G. Westbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Breckenridge Street.
  - H. Westbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Douglas Street.
  - I. Westbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.
  - J. Westbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Washington Street.
  - K. Westbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jefferson Street.
  - L. Westbound traffic on Jackson Street shall stop before entering or crossing Polk Street.
  - M. Westbound traffic on Monroe Street shall stop before entering or crossing Breckenridge Street.
  - N. Westbound traffic on Monroe Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Street.
  - O. Westbound traffic on Monroe Street shall stop before entering or crossing West Street.
  - P. Westbound traffic on Newton Street shall stop before entering or crossing Breckenridge Street.
  - Q. Westbound traffic on Newton Street shall stop before entering or crossing Douglas Street.
  - R. Westbound traffic on Newton Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.



S. Westbound traffic on Jasper Street (County Road G-40) shall stop before entering or crossing Highway #5 (Hobson Street).

T. Westbound traffic on Jasper Street (County Road G-40) shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.

U. Westbound traffic on Dewitt Street shall stop before entering or crossing Columbus Street.

V. Westbound traffic on Dewitt Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jefferson Street.

W. Westbound traffic on Pleasant Street shall stop before entering or crossing Linden Street.

X. Westbound traffic on Mills Street shall stop before entering or crossing Jefferson Street.

Y. Westbound traffic on Pleasant Street shall stop before entering State Hwy 5.

Z. Westbound traffic on Jasper Street shall stop before entering State Hwy 5.

AA. Westbound traffic on Pleasant Street shall stop before entering or crossing State Highway 5.

BB. Westbound traffic on Jasper Street (County Road G-40) shall stop before entering or crossing State Highway 5.

*(Ord. 1313, passed 11-25-2013)*

*(Ord. 1801, passed 4-16-2018)*

**65.02 SCHOOL STOPS.** At the following school crossing zones every driver of a vehicle approaching said zone shall bring the vehicle to a full stop at a point ten (10) feet from the approach side of the crosswalk marked by an authorized school stop sign and thereafter proceed in a careful and prudent manner until the vehicle shall have passed through such school crossing zone.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.249)*

1. Intersection of State Street and Dallas Street.
2. On Jones Street between State Street and West Street.

**65.03 STOP BEFORE CROSSING SIDEWALK.** The driver of a vehicle emerging from a private roadway, alley, driveway, or building shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving onto the sidewalk area and thereafter shall proceed into the sidewalk area only when able to do so without danger to pedestrian traffic and shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicular traffic on the street into which the vehicle is entering.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.353)*

**65.04 STOP WHEN TRAFFIC IS OBSTRUCTED.** Notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed, 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.

**65.05 YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS IN CROSSWALKS.** Where traffic control signals are not in place or in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping, if need be, to yield to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.327)*

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## CHAPTER 66

### LOAD AND WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

**66.01** Temporary Embargo  
**66.02** Permits for Excess Size and Weight

**66.03** Load Limits upon Certain Streets  
**66.04** Load Limits on Bridges

**66.01 TEMPORARY EMBARGO.** If the Council declares an embargo when it appears by reason of deterioration, rain, snow or other climatic conditions that certain streets will be seriously damaged or destroyed by vehicles weighing in excess of an amount specified by the signs, no such vehicles shall be operated on streets so designated by such signs.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.471 & 472*)

**66.02 PERMITS FOR EXCESS SIZE AND WEIGHT.** The Police Chief may, upon application and good cause being shown, issue a special permit in writing authorizing the applicant to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles of a size or weight or load exceeding the maximum specified by State law or the City over those streets or bridges named in the permit which are under the jurisdiction of the City and for which the City is responsible for maintenance.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.473 & 321E.1*)

**66.03 LOAD LIMITS UPON CERTAIN STREETS.** When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall operate any vehicle with a gross weight in excess of the amounts specified on such signs at any time upon any of the following streets or parts of streets:  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.473 & 475*)

1. Five-ton limit on Washington Street from Highway #5 to Monroe Street.
2. Ten-ton limit on Jasper Street from the east City limits to the west City limits.
3. Five-ton limit on Columbus Street from Jasper Street to the south City limits.
4. Five-ton limit on Pleasant Street from a point 975 feet East of Highway 5 to State Street.

(*Ord. 09-01-01, passed 1-19-2009*)

**66.04 LOAD LIMITS ON BRIDGES.** Where it has been determined that any City bridge has a capacity less than the maximum permitted on the streets of the City, or on the street serving the bridge, the Police Chief may cause to be posted and maintained signs on said bridge and at suitable distances ahead of the entrances thereof to warn drivers of such maximum load limits. No person shall drive upon said bridge any vehicle weighing, loaded or unloaded, in excess of such posted limit.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.471*)

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## CHAPTER 67

### PEDESTRIANS

**67.01**     **Walking in Street**  
**67.02**     **Hitchhiking**

**67.03**     **Pedestrian Crossing**  
**67.04**     **Use of Sidewalks**

**67.01 WALKING IN STREET.** Pedestrians shall at all times when walking on or along a street, walk on the left side of the street.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.326*)

**67.02 HITCHHIKING.** No person shall stand in the traveled portion of a street for the purpose of soliciting a ride from the driver of any private vehicle.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.331*)

**67.03 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING.** 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.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.328*)

**67.04 USE OF SIDEWALKS.** Where sidewalks are provided it is unlawful for any pedestrian to walk along and upon an adjacent street.

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## CHAPTER 68

# ONE-WAY TRAFFIC

### 68.01 One-Way Traffic Required

**68.01 ONE-WAY TRAFFIC REQUIRED.** Upon the following streets and alleys vehicular traffic, other than permitted cross traffic, shall move only in the indicated direction when appropriate signs are in place.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236 [4])*

1. The north/south alley between Monroe Street and Jackson Street shall be southbound only.

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## CHAPTER 69

### PARKING REGULATIONS

|       |                                      |       |                               |
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| 69.01 | Park Adjacent to Curb                | 69.08 | No Parking Zones              |
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| 69.05 | Parking for Certain Purposes Illegal | 69.12 | Snow Routes                   |
| 69.06 | Parking Prohibited                   | 69.13 | Special Parking Permitted     |
| 69.07 | Persons With Disabilities Parking    |       |                               |

**69.01 PARK ADJACENT 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 eighteen (18) inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as hereinafter provided in the case of angle parking and vehicles parked on the left-hand side of one-way streets.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

**69.02 PARKING ON ONE-WAY STREETS.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle on the left-hand side of a one-way street other than parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the left-hand wheels of the vehicle within eighteen (18) inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as hereinafter provided in the case of angle parking.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

**69.03 ANGLE PARKING.** Angle or diagonal parking is permitted only in the following locations:  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)

1. Monroe Street, on the south side from Jefferson Street to Columbus Street.
2. Washington Street, on the east side from Monroe Street to Jackson Street.
3. Jackson Street, on the north side from Washington Street to Jefferson Street.
4. Jefferson Street, on the west side from Jackson Street to Monroe Street.

**69.04 MANNER OF ANGLE PARKING.** Upon those streets or portions of streets that have been signed or marked for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at an angle to the curb or edge of the roadway or in the center of the roadway as indicated by such signs and markings. No part of any vehicle or the load thereon, when said vehicle is parked

within a diagonal parking district, shall extend into the roadway more than a distance of sixteen (16) feet when measured at right angles to the adjacent curb or edge of roadway.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)*

**69.05 PARKING FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES ILLEGAL.** No person shall park a vehicle upon public property for more than 48 hours, unless otherwise limited under the provisions of this chapter, or for any of the following principal purposes:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

1. Sale. Displaying such vehicle for sale;
2. Repairing. For lubricating, repairing or for commercial washing of such vehicle except such repairs as are necessitated by an emergency;
3. Advertising. Displaying advertising;
4. Merchandise Sales. Selling merchandise from such vehicle except in a duly established market place or when so authorized or licensed under this Code of Ordinances.

**69.06 PARKING PROHIBITED.** No one shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a peace officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:

1. Crosswalk. On a crosswalk.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[5])*

2. Center Parkway. On the center parkway or dividing area of any divided street.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

3. Mailboxes. Within twenty (20) feet on either side of a mailbox that is so placed and so equipped as to permit the depositing of mail from vehicles on the roadway.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

4. Sidewalks. On or across a sidewalk.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[1])*

5. Driveway. In front of a public or private driveway.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[2])*

6. Intersection. Within an intersection or within ten (10) feet of an intersection of any street or alley.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[3])*

7. Fire Hydrant. Within five (5) feet of a fire hydrant.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[4])*

8. Stop Sign or Signal. Within ten (10) feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop or yield sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[6])*

9. Railroad Crossing. Within fifty (50) feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing, except when parked parallel with such rail and not exhibiting a red light.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[8])*

10. Fire Station. Within twenty (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 seventy-five (75) feet of said entrance when properly sign posted.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[9])*

11. Excavations. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[10])*

12. Double Parking. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[11])*

13. Hazardous Locations. When, because of restricted visibility or when standing or parked vehicles would constitute a hazard to moving traffic, or when other traffic conditions require, the Council may cause curbs to be painted with a yellow color and erect no parking or standing signs.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[13])*

14. Churches, Nursing Homes and Other Buildings. A space of fifty (50) feet is hereby reserved at the side of the street in front of any theatre, auditorium, hotel having more than twenty-five (25) sleeping rooms, hospital, nursing home, taxicab stand, bus depot, church, or other building where large assemblages of people are being held, within which space, when clearly marked as such, no motor vehicle shall be left standing, parked or stopped except in taking on or discharging passengers or freight, and then only for such length of time as is necessary for such purpose.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.360)*

15. Alleys. No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than ten (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 such a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a vehicle parked in any alley that is eighteen (18) feet wide or less, provided that said vehicle is parked to deliver goods or services.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

16. Ramps. In front of a curb cut or ramp which is located on public or private property in a manner which blocks access to the curb cut or ramp.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[15])*

17. Area Between Lot Line and Curb Line. That area of the public way not covered by sidewalk and lying between the lot line and the curb line, where curbing has been installed.

18. In More Than One Space. In any designated parking space so that any part of the vehicle occupies more than one such space or protrudes beyond the markings designating such space.

**69.07 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PARKING.** The following regulations shall apply to the establishment and use of persons with disabilities parking spaces:

1. Establishment. Persons with disabilities parking spaces shall be established and designated in accordance with Chapter 321L of the *Code of Iowa* and Iowa Administrative Code, 661-18. No unauthorized person shall establish any on-street persons with disabilities parking space without first obtaining Council approval.
2. Improper Use. The following uses of a persons with disabilities parking space, located on either public or private property, constitute improper use of a persons with disabilities parking permit, which is a violation of this Code of Ordinances:

(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.4[2]*)

- A. Use by an operator of a vehicle not displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit;
  - B. Use by an operator of a vehicle displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit but not being used by a person issued a permit or being transported in accordance with Section 321L.2[1b] of the *Code of Iowa*;
  - C. Use by a vehicle in violation of the rules adopted under Section 321L.8 of the *Code of Iowa*.
3. Wheelchair Parking Cones. No person shall use or interfere with a wheelchair parking cone in violation of the following:
    - A. A person issued a persons with disabilities parking permit must comply with the requirements of Section 321L.2A(1) of the *Code of Iowa* when utilizing a wheelchair parking cone.
    - B. A person shall not interfere with a wheelchair parking cone that is properly placed under the provisions of Section 321L.2A(1) of the *Code of Iowa*.

**69.08 NO PARKING ZONES.** No one shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any of the following specifically designated no parking zones except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a peace officer or traffic control signal.

(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1]*)

1. Sunset Drive, on the west side, from Jones to Jasper.
2. Sunset Drive, on the east side, from Jasper to a point eighty (80) feet north.
3. Polk Street, on the east side, from Broadway to Jasper, except on Sunday and during funerals and weddings for the Pleasantville Christian Church and Church of Christ.
4. Jefferson Street, on both sides, from Collins to Mills.
5. Jefferson Street, on the east side, from Mills to Jasper.
6. Washington Street, on the east side, from Jackson to Highway #5.
7. Washington Street, on the east side, from Monroe to a point one hundred (140) feet south.
8. Washington Street, on the west side, from Jasper to a point two hundred twenty-five (225) feet north.
9. State Street, on both sides, from Monroe to Broadway.
10. State Street, on the west side, from Broadway to Pleasant.
11. Columbus Street, on the west side, from Broadway to the south corporate limits.
12. Columbus Street, on the east side, from Broadway to North Street.

13. Douglas, on the west side, from Highway 5 to Monroe.
14. Breckenridge, on both sides, from Broadway to Jasper.
15. Church, on the west side, from Jasper to Highway 5.
16. Watkins, on the east side, from Highway 5 to DeWitt.
17. DeWitt, on the north side, from Watkins to Jefferson.
18. Jasper, on both sides, from the west City limits to the east City limits.
19. Monroe, on the north side, from Watkins to Church.
20. Monroe, on the south side, from Columbus to a point thirty (30) feet West.
21. Monroe, on the north side, from State to West.
22. Jackson, on the south side, from Watkins to Columbus.
23. Jones Street, on the north side, from State to Sunset.
24. Jones Street, on the south side, from West Street to State Street effective Monday through Friday from the times of 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
25. North, on the north side, from State to Highway 5.
26. Pleasant, on the north side, from Washington to the west corporate limits.
27. Clark Street, on the south side, from Linden to a point three hundred fifty (350) feet east.
28. Clark Street, on the south and west sides, from State Street and Highway 5.
29. Shadle Street, along the west side of the tennis courts.
30. Jefferson, on the east side, from Broadway to North.
31. West Street, on the east side, from Jasper Street to Jones Street.
32. West Street, on the west side, from Jasper Street to a point one hundred sixty (160) feet to the north.
33. Columbus Street, both sides, from Dewitt to Collins Street.
34. Monroe Street, both sides, from Jefferson Street to Columbus Street, it shall be unlawful to park any vehicle for a continuous period of more than eight (8) hours.

*(Ord. 10-09-06, passed 9-20-2010; Ord. 1401, passed 11-3-2014)*

**69.09 HEAVY VEHICLE PARKING.** No person shall park a heavy vehicle in violation of the following regulations. For the purpose of this section, a “heavy vehicle” is defined as a vehicle, either motorized or designed to be towed, utilizing wheels or skids, weighing five (5) tons gross license weight or more.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236 [1])*

1. Restriction. No heavy vehicle shall be parked upon any public thoroughfare, including streets and alleys, or upon City-owned property for more than two (2) hours, unless designated for heavy vehicle parking.
2. Exceptions. This section does not apply to construction or maintenance vehicles operated on behalf of the City or heavy vehicles used in conjunction with City-sponsored events or entertainment necessitating the use of heavy vehicles.
3. Special Permit. The Mayor and Council, either upon their own motion or by reason of written application, reserve the right to issue special permits allowing and permitting the parking of heavy vehicles upon City-owned thoroughfares and/or City-owned property where heavy vehicle parking is prohibited by reason of this section. The special permit shall be issued in writing and may be conditioned as to the

nature of the parking, the location of the parking, the reason for said parking, and time limitations on said parking. The special permit may, from time to time, be renewed or extended by the Council. The Mayor may, at the Mayor's discretion and without consent of the Council, issue emergency temporary parking permits to permit heavy vehicular parking in the event of an emergency. Said emergency temporary parking permit, however, shall extend to the next Council meeting when the subject matter shall be placed upon the agenda and the emergency temporary parking permit issued shall be reviewed and either confirmed or rejected by the Council.

**69.10 PARKING LIMITED.**

1. It is unlawful to park any vehicle for a continuous period of more than two (2) hours, Monday through Friday, upon the following designated streets:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236 [1])*

- A. Dallas Street, on the south side, from State Street to Polk Street, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

- B. Jones Street, on the south side, from State Street to West Street, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

2. It is unlawful to park any vehicle for a continuous period of more than eight (8) hours, Monday through Friday, upon both sides of Monroe Street, from Jefferson Street to Columbus Street.

**69.11 SNOW REMOVAL.** It is unlawful for any person to park any vehicle upon the streets and thoroughfares of the City after the accumulation of two (2) inches or more of snow and for a period of twelve (12) hours after the snow ceases.

*(Code of Iowa, 321.236[1])*

**69.12 SNOW ROUTES.** The Council may designate certain streets in the City as snow routes. When conditions of snow or ice exist on the traffic surface of a designated snow route, it is unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to impede or block traffic.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[12])*

**69.13 SPECIAL PARKING PERMITTED.** The Police Chief, Mayor or Council may, either upon application or in the exercise of their powers, and for temporary duration, permit special parking at designated locations along any thoroughfare where parking is normally prohibited.

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## CHAPTER 70

### TRAFFIC CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

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| 70.01 | Arrest or Citation            | 70.04 | Parking Violations: Vehicle Unattended      |
| 70.02 | Scheduled Violations          | 70.05 | Presumption in Reference to Illegal Parking |
| 70.03 | Parking Violations: Alternate | 70.06 | Impounding Vehicles                         |

**70.01 ARREST OR CITATION.** Whenever a peace officer has reasonable cause to believe that a person has violated any provision of the Traffic Code, such officer may:

1. Immediate Arrest. Immediately arrest such person and take such person before a local magistrate; or
2. Issue Citation. Without arresting the person, prepare in quintuplicate a combined traffic citation and complaint as adopted by the Iowa Commissioner of Public Safety, or issue a uniform citation and complaint utilizing a State-approved computerized device.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 805.6 & 321.485)*

**70.02 SCHEDULED VIOLATIONS.** For violations of the Traffic Code that are designated by Section 805.8A of the *Code of Iowa* to be scheduled violations, the scheduled fine for each of those violations shall be as specified in Section 805.8A of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 805.8 & 805.8A)*

**70.03 PARKING VIOLATIONS: ALTERNATE.** Uncontested violations of parking restrictions imposed by this Code of Ordinances shall be charged upon a simple notice of a fine payable at the office of the City Clerk. The simple notice of a fine shall be in the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for parking for certain purposes illegal (Section 69.05) and five dollars (\$5.00) for all other violations except improper use of a persons with disabilities parking permit (Section 69.07). If such fine is not paid within thirty (30) days, it shall be increased by five dollars (\$5.00). The simple notice of a fine for improper use of a persons with disabilities parking permit is one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[lb] & 321L.4[2])*

**70.04 PARKING VIOLATIONS: VEHICLE UNATTENDED.** When a vehicle is parked in violation of any provision of the Traffic Code, and the driver is not present, the notice of fine or citation as herein provided shall be attached to the vehicle in a conspicuous place.

**70.05 PRESUMPTION IN REFERENCE TO ILLEGAL PARKING.** In any proceeding charging a standing or parking violation, a prima facie presumption that the registered owner

was the person who parked or placed such vehicle at the point where, and for the time during which, such violation occurred shall be raised by proof that:

1. Described Vehicle. The particular vehicle described in the information was parked in violation of the Traffic Code; and
2. Registered Owner. The defendant named in the information was the registered owner at the time in question.

**70.06 IMPOUNDING VEHICLES.** A peace officer is hereby authorized to remove, or cause to be removed, a vehicle from a street, public alley, public parking lot or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety, or to a garage designated or maintained by the City, under the circumstances hereinafter enumerated:

1. Disabled Vehicle. When a vehicle is so disabled as to constitute an obstruction to traffic and the person or persons in charge of the vehicle are by reason of physical injury incapacitated to such an extent as to be unable to provide for its custody or removal.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

2. Illegally Parked Vehicles.
  - A. Illegally Parked Vehicle Not Constituting a Hazard or Obstruction. Upon a second offense or subsequent violation of Section 69.05 a peace officer shall impound the vehicle by removing or causing it to be removed to the nearest garage or other place of safety, or to a garage designated or maintained by the City. The owner or driver of any vehicle impounded for a second offense and all subsequent violation of this ordinance shall be required to pay the reasonable cost of towing, storage and all unpaid fines.
  - B. Illegally Parked Vehicle. When any vehicle is left unattended and is so illegally parked as to constitute a definite hazard or obstruction to the normal movement of traffic.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

3. Snow Removal. When any vehicle is left parked in violation of a ban on parking during snow removal operations.
4. Parked Over Limited Time Period. When any vehicle is left parked for a continuous period in violation of any limited parking time. If the owner can be located, the owner shall be given an opportunity to remove the vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

5. Costs. In addition to the standard penalties provided, the owner or driver of any vehicle impounded for the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be required to pay the reasonable cost of towing and storage.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

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## CHAPTER 75

# ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND SNOWMOBILES

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**75.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to regulate the operation of all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles within the City.

**75.02 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter the following terms are defined:

1. "All-terrain vehicle" or "ATV" means a motorized vehicle, with not less than three (3) and not more than six (6) non-highway tires, that is limited in engine displacement to less than one thousand (1,000) cubic centimeters and in total dry weight to less than one thousand two hundred (1,200) pounds and that has a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.1)*

2. "Off-road motorcycle" means a two-wheeled motor vehicle that has a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control and that is intended by the manufacturer for use on natural terrain. "Off-road motorcycle" includes a motorcycle that was originally issued a certificate of title and registered for highway use under Chapter 321 of the *Code of Iowa*, but that contains design features that enable operation over natural terrain. An operator of an off-road motorcycle is also subject to the provisions of this chapter governing the operation of all-terrain vehicles.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.1)*

3. "Off-road utility vehicle" means a motorized vehicle, with not less than four (4) and not more than eight (8) non-highway tires or rubberized tracks, that has a seat that is of bucket or bench design, not intended to be straddled by the operator, and a steering wheel or control levers for control. "Off-road utility vehicle" includes the following vehicles:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.1)*

- A. "Off-road utility vehicle - type 1" includes vehicles with a total dry weight of one thousand two hundred (1,200) pounds or less and a width of fifty (50) inches or less.
- B. "Off-road utility vehicle - type 2" includes vehicles, other than type 1 vehicles, with a total dry weight of two thousand (2,000) pounds or less and a width of sixty-five (65) inches or less.

- C. “Off-road utility vehicle - type 3” includes vehicles with a total dry weight of more than two thousand (2,000) pounds or a width of more than sixty-five (65) inches, or both.

An operator of an off-road utility vehicle is also subject to the provisions of this chapter governing the operation of all-terrain vehicles.

4. “Snowmobile” means a motorized vehicle that weighs less than one thousand (1,000) pounds, that uses sled-type runners or skis, endless belt-type tread with a width of forty-eight (48) inches or less, or any combination of runners, skis, or tread, and is designed for travel on snow or ice. “Snowmobile” does not include an all-terrain vehicle that has been altered or equipped with runners, skis, belt-type tracks, or treads.

(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.1*)

**75.03 GENERAL REGULATIONS.** No person shall operate an ATV, off-road motorcycle or off-road utility vehicle within the City in violation of Chapter 321I of the *Code of Iowa* or a snowmobile within the City in violation of the provisions of Chapter 321G of the *Code of Iowa* or in violation of rules established by the Natural Resource Commission of the Department of Natural Resources governing their registration, equipment and manner of operation.

(*Code of Iowa, Ch. 321G & Ch. 321I*)

**75.04 OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES.** The operators of snowmobiles shall comply with the following restrictions as to where snowmobiles may be operated within the City:

1. Streets. Snowmobiles shall be operated only upon streets that have not been plowed during the snow season and on such other streets as may be designated by resolution of the Council.

(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[4a]*)

2. Exceptions. Snowmobiles may be operated on prohibited streets only under the following circumstances:

- A. Emergencies. Snowmobiles may be operated on any street in an emergency during the period of time when and at locations where snow upon the roadway renders travel by conventional motor vehicles impractical.

(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[4c]*)

- B. Direct Crossing. Snowmobiles may make a direct crossing of a prohibited street provided all of the following occur:

- (1) The crossing is made at an angle of approximately ninety degrees (90°) to the direction of the street and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing;
- (2) The snowmobile is brought to a complete stop before crossing the street;
- (3) The driver yields the right-of-way to all on-coming traffic that constitutes an immediate hazard; and
- (4) In crossing a divided street, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such street with another street.

(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[2]*)

3. Railroad Right-of-Way. Snowmobiles shall not be operated on an operating railroad right-of-way. A snowmobile may be driven directly across a railroad right-of-way only at an established crossing and notwithstanding any other provisions of law may, if necessary, use the improved portion of the established crossing after yielding to all oncoming traffic.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.13[1h])

4. Trails. Snowmobiles shall not be operated on all-terrain vehicle trails except where so designated.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[4f])

5. Parks and Other City Land. Snowmobiles shall not be operated in any park, playground or upon any other City-owned property without the express permission of the City. A snowmobile shall not be operated on any City land without a snow cover of at least one-tenth of one inch.

6. Sidewalk or Parking. Snowmobiles shall not be operated upon the public sidewalk or that portion of the street located between the curb line and the sidewalk or property line commonly referred to as the "parking" except for purposes of crossing the same to a public street upon which operation is authorized by this chapter.

**75.05 OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.** The operators of ATVs shall comply with the following restrictions as to where ATVs may be operated within the City:

1. Streets. ATVs and off-road utility vehicles may be operated on streets only in accordance with Section 321.234A of the *Code of Iowa* or on such streets as may be designated by resolution of the Council for the operation of registered ATVs or registered off-road utility vehicles. In designating such streets, the Council may authorize ATVs and off-road utility vehicles to stop at service stations or convenience stores along a designated street.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.10[1 & 3])

2. Trails. ATVs shall not be operated on snowmobile trails except where designated.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.10[4])

3. Railroad Right-of-Way. ATVs shall not be operated on an operating railroad right-of-way. An ATV may be driven directly across a railroad right-of-way only at an established crossing and notwithstanding any other provisions of law may, if necessary, use the improved portion of the established crossing after yielding to all oncoming traffic.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.14[1h])

4. Parks and Other City Land. ATVs shall not be operated in any park, playground or upon any other City-owned property without the express permission of the City.

5. Sidewalk or Parking. ATVs shall not be operated upon the public sidewalk or that portion of the street located between the curb line and the sidewalk or property line commonly referred to as the "parking."

**75.06 NEGLIGENCE.** The owner and operator of an ATV or snowmobile are liable for any injury or damage occasioned by the negligent operation of the ATV or snowmobile. The owner

of an ATV or snowmobile shall be liable for any such injury or damage only if the owner was the operator of the ATV or snowmobile at the time the injury or damage occurred or if the operator had the owner's consent to operate the ATV or snowmobile at the time the injury or damage occurred.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.18 & 321I.19)*

**75.07 ACCIDENT REPORTS.** Whenever an ATV or snowmobile is involved in an accident resulting in injury or death to anyone or property damage amounting to one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) or more, either the operator or someone acting for the operator shall immediately notify a law enforcement officer and shall file an accident report, in accordance with State law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.10 & 321I.11)*

## CHAPTER 76

### BICYCLE REGULATIONS

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**76.01 SCOPE OF REGULATIONS.** These regulations 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.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10]*)

**76.02 TRAFFIC CODE APPLIES.** 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 the State declaring rules of the road applicable to vehicles or by the Traffic Code of the City applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except as to those provisions that by their nature can have no application. Whenever such person dismounts from a bicycle, the person shall be subject to all regulations applicable to pedestrians.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.234*)

**76.03 DOUBLE RIDING RESTRICTED.** A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto. No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.234[3 and 4]*)

**76.04 TWO ABREAST LIMIT.** Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway shall not ride more than two (2) abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles. All bicycles ridden on the roadway shall be kept to the right and shall be operated as near as practicable to the right-hand edge of the roadway.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10]*)

**76.05 SPEED.** No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10]*)

**76.06 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 said sidewalk or sidewalk area, and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on said roadway.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10])*

**76.07 CARRYING ARTICLES.** No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article that prevents the rider from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10])*

**76.08 RIDING ON SIDEWALKS.** The following provisions apply to riding bicycles on sidewalks:

1. Business District. No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within the Business District, as defined in Section 60.02(1) of this Code of Ordinances.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10])*

2. Other Locations. When signs are erected on any sidewalk or roadway prohibiting the riding of bicycles thereon by any person, no person shall disobey the signs.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10])*

3. Yield Right-of-Way. Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give audible signal before overtaking and passing.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10])*

**76.09 TOWING.** It is unlawful for any person riding a bicycle to be towed or to tow any other vehicle upon the streets of the City unless the vehicle is manufactured for such use.

**76.10 IMPROPER RIDING.** No person shall ride a bicycle in an irregular or reckless manner such as zigzagging, stunting, speeding, or otherwise so as to disregard the safety of the operator or others.

**76.11 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 such a manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10])*

**76.12 EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS.** Every person riding a bicycle shall be responsible for providing and using equipment as provided herein:

1. Lamps Required. Every bicycle when in use at nighttime shall be equipped with a lamp on the front emitting a white light visible from a distance of at least three hundred (300) feet to the front and with a lamp on the rear exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of three hundred (300) feet to the rear, except that a red reflector on the rear, of a type that is visible from all distances from fifty (50) feet to three hundred

(300) feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle, may be used in lieu of a rear light.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.397)*

2. Brakes Required. Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake that will enable the operator to make the braked wheel skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[10])*

**76.13 SPECIAL PENALTY.** Any person violating the provisions of this chapter may, in lieu of the scheduled fine for bicyclists or standard penalty provided for violations of this Code of Ordinances, allow the person's bicycle to be impounded by the City for not less than five (5) days for the first offense, ten (10) days for a second offense and thirty (30) days for a third offense.

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## CHAPTER 80

### ABANDONED VEHICLES

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**80.01 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter, the following terms are defined:  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.89[1] & Sec. 321.90*)

1. “Abandoned vehicle” means any of the following:
  - A. A vehicle that has been left unattended on public property for more than twenty-four (24) hours and lacks current registration plates or two (2) or more wheels or other parts which renders the vehicle totally inoperable.
  - B. A vehicle that has remained illegally on public property for more than 24 hours.
  - C. A vehicle that has been unlawfully parked or placed on private property without the consent of the owner or person in control of the property for more than 24 hours.
  - D. A vehicle that has been legally impounded by order of a police authority and has not been reclaimed for a period of ten (10) days. However, a police authority may declare the vehicle abandoned within the ten-day period by commencing the notification process.
  - E. Any vehicle parked on the highway determined by a police authority to create a hazard to other vehicle traffic.
  - F. A vehicle that has been impounded pursuant to Section 321J.4B of the *Code of Iowa* by order of the court and whose owner has not paid the impoundment fees after notification by the person or agency responsible for carrying out the impoundment order.
2. “Demolisher” means a person licensed under Chapter 321H of the *Code of Iowa* whose business it is to convert a vehicle to junk, processed scrap or scrap metal, or otherwise to wreck, or dismantle vehicles.
3. “Garage keeper” means any operator of a parking place or establishment, motor vehicle storage facility, or establishment for the servicing, repair, or maintenance of motor vehicles.
4. “Police authority” means the Iowa state patrol or any law enforcement agency of a county or city.

**80.02 AUTHORITY TO TAKE POSSESSION OF ABANDONED VEHICLES.** A police authority, upon the authority's own initiative or upon the request of any other authority having the duties of control of highways or traffic, shall take into custody an abandoned vehicle on public property and may take into custody any abandoned vehicle on private property. The police authority may employ its own personnel, equipment, and facilities or hire a private entity, equipment, and facilities for the purpose of removing, preserving, storing, or disposing of abandoned vehicles. A property owner or other person in control of private property may employ a private entity that is a garage keeper to dispose of an abandoned vehicle, and the private entity may take into custody the abandoned vehicle without a police authority's initiative. If a police authority employs a private entity to dispose of abandoned vehicles, the police authority shall provide the private entity with the names and addresses of the registered owners, all lienholders of record, and any other known claimant to the vehicle or the personal property found in the vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.89[2])*

**80.03 NOTICE BY MAIL.** The police authority or private entity that takes into custody an abandoned vehicle shall notify, within twenty (20) days, by certified mail, the last known registered owner of the vehicle, all lienholders of record, and any other known claimant to the vehicle or to personal property found in the vehicle, addressed to the parties' last known addresses of record, that the abandoned vehicle has been taken into custody. Notice shall be deemed given when mailed. The notice shall describe the year, make, model and vehicle identification number of the vehicle, describe the personal property found in the vehicle, set forth the location of the facility where the vehicle is being held, and inform the persons receiving the notice of their right to reclaim the vehicle and personal property within ten (10) days after the effective date of the notice upon payment of all towing, preservation, and storage charges resulting from placing the vehicle in custody and upon payment of the costs of the notice. The notice shall also state that the failure of the owner, lienholders or claimants to exercise their right to reclaim the vehicle or personal property within the time provided shall be deemed a waiver by the owner, lienholders and claimants of all right, title, claim and interest in the vehicle or personal property and that failure to reclaim the vehicle or personal property is deemed consent to the sale of the vehicle at a public auction or disposal of the vehicle to a demolisher and to disposal of the personal property by sale or destruction. If the abandoned vehicle was taken into custody by a private entity without a police authority's initiative, the notice shall state that the private entity may claim a garage keeper's lien as described in Section 321.90 of the *Code of Iowa*, and may proceed to sell or dispose of the vehicle. If the abandoned vehicle was taken into custody by a police authority or by a private entity hired by a police authority, the notice shall state that any person claiming rightful possession of the vehicle or personal property who disputes the planned disposition of the vehicle or property by the police authority or private entity or of the assessment of fees and charges provided by this section may ask for an evidentiary hearing before the police authority to contest those matters. If the persons receiving notice do not ask for a hearing or exercise their right to reclaim the vehicle or personal property within the ten-day reclaiming period, the owner, lienholders or claimants shall no longer have any right, title, claim, or interest in or to the vehicle or the personal property. A court in any

case in law or equity shall not recognize any right, title, claim, or interest of the owner, lienholders or claimants after the expiration of the ten-day reclaiming period.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.89[3a])*

**80.04 NOTIFICATION IN NEWSPAPER.** If it is impossible to determine with reasonable certainty the identity and addresses of the last registered owner and all lienholders, notice by one publication in one newspaper of general circulation in the area where the vehicle was abandoned shall be sufficient to meet all requirements of notice under Section 80.03. The published notice may contain multiple listings of abandoned vehicles and personal property but shall be published within the same time requirements and contain the same information as prescribed for mailed notice in Section 80.03.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.89[3b])*

**80.05 FEES FOR IMPOUNDMENT.** The owner, lienholder, or claimant shall pay twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) if claimed within five (5) days of impounding, plus towing charges, if stored by the City, or towing and storage fees, if stored in a public garage, whereupon said vehicle shall be released. The amount of towing charges, and the rate of storage charges by privately owned garages, shall be established by such facility.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.89[3a])*

**80.06 DISPOSAL OF ABANDONED VEHICLES.** If an abandoned vehicle has not been reclaimed as provided herein, the police authority or private entity shall make a determination as to whether or not the motor vehicle should be sold for use upon the highways, and shall dispose of the motor vehicle in accordance with State law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.89[4])*

**80.07 DISPOSAL OF TOTALLY INOPERABLE VEHICLES.** The City or any person upon whose property or in whose possession is found any abandoned motor vehicle, or any person being the owner of a motor vehicle whose title certificate is faulty, lost or destroyed, may dispose of such motor vehicle to a demolisher for junk, without a title and without notification procedures, if such motor vehicle lacks an engine or two (2) or more wheels or other structural part which renders the vehicle totally inoperable. The police authority shall give the applicant a certificate of authority. The applicant shall then apply to the County Treasurer for a junking certificate and shall surrender the certificate of authority in lieu of the certificate of title.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.90[2e])*

**80.08 PROCEEDS FROM SALES.** Proceeds from the sale of any abandoned vehicle shall be applied to the expense of auction, cost of towing, preserving, storing, and notification required, in accordance with State law. Any balance shall be held for the owner of the motor vehicle or entitled lienholder for ninety (90) days, and then shall be deposited in the State Road Use Tax Fund. Where the sale of any vehicle fails to realize the amount necessary to meet costs the police authority shall apply for reimbursement from the Department of Transportation.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.89[4])*

**80.09 DUTIES OF DEMOLISHER.** Any demolisher who purchases or otherwise acquires an abandoned motor vehicle for junk shall junk, scrap, wreck, dismantle, or otherwise demolish such motor vehicle. A demolisher shall not junk, scrap, wreck, dismantle, or demolish a vehicle until the demolisher has obtained the junking certificate issued for the vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.90[3a])*

## CHAPTER 81

# RAILROAD REGULATIONS

**81.01 Definitions**  
**81.02 Warning Signals**

**81.03 Obstructing Streets**  
**81.04 Crossing Maintenance**

**81.01 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter, the following terms are defined:

1. “Operator” means any individual, partnership, corporation or other association that owns, operates, drives, or controls a railroad train.
2. “Railroad train” means an engine or locomotive, with or without cars coupled thereto, operated upon rails.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.1)*

**81.02 WARNING SIGNALS.** Operators shall sound a horn at least one thousand (1,000) feet before a street crossing is reached and after sounding the horn, shall ring the bell continuously until the crossing is passed.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 327G.13)*

**81.03 OBSTRUCTING STREETS.** Operators shall not operate any train in such a manner as to prevent vehicular use of any highway, street or alley for a period of time in excess of ten minutes except:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 327G.32)*

1. Comply with Signals. When necessary to comply with signals affecting the safety of the movement of trains.
2. Avoid Striking. When necessary to avoid striking any object or person on the track.
3. Disabled. When the train is disabled.
4. Safety Regulations. When necessary to comply with governmental safety regulations including, but not limited to, speed ordinances and speed regulations.
5. In Motion. When the train is in motion except while engaged in switching operations.
6. No Traffic. When there is no vehicular traffic waiting to use the crossing.

An employee is not guilty of a violation of this section if the employee’s action was necessary to comply with the direct order or instructions of a railroad corporation or its supervisors. Guilt is then with the railroad corporation.

**81.04 CROSSING MAINTENANCE.** Operators shall construct and maintain good, sufficient, and safe crossings over any street traversed by their rails.

*(Bourett vs. Chicago & N.W. Ry. 152 Iowa 579, 132 N.W. 973 [1943])*

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.11)*

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