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## **Short Title**

### **15.010 Short title.**

This chapter shall be commonly known and referred to as the Lovelock Municipal Traffic Ordinance. [Sec. 1, Ord. No. 96]

## **Definitions**

### **15.013 Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in sections 15.015 to 15.097, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in such sections.

### **15.015 "Authorized emergency vehicle" defined.**

"Authorized emergency vehicle" means a vehicle of the fire department, police department, and such ambulances and emergency vehicles of municipal departments or public service corporations as are designated or authorized by the State of Nevada.

[Sec. 21, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.017 "Bicycle" defined.**

"Bicycle" means a device propelled by human power upon which a person may ride, having two tandem wheels either of which is over 14 inches in diameter, or every such device generally recognized as a bicycle though equipped with two front or two rear wheels.

### **15.019 "Business district" defined.**

"Business district" means any block within which 50 percent or more of the frontage is used for retail or wholesale business purposes and, when so established by the chief of police, with the approval of the city council, any block immediately adjacent to any such block.

[Sec. 43, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.021 "City" defined.**

"City" means the City of Lovelock.

[Sec. 11, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.023 "Commercial vehicle" defined.**

"Commercial vehicle" means a vehicle of a type used or maintained for the transportation of persons for hire, compensation or profit, or designed, used or maintained primarily for the transportation of property.

[Sec. 15, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.025 "Controlled substance" defined.**

"Controlled substance" means a controlled substance as defined in chapter 453 of NRS.

### **15.027 "Crosswalk" defined.**

"Crosswalk" means:

1. That portion of a street ordinarily included within the prolongation or connection of the boundary lines of sidewalks at intersections where the intersecting roadways meet at approximately right angles except the prolongation of any such lines from an alley across a street; or
2. Any portion of a street distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other marking on the surface.

[Sec. 40, Ord. No. 96]

**15.029 "Curb loading zone" defined.**

"Curb loading zone" means a space adjacent to a curb reserved for the exclusive use of vehicles during the loading or unloading of passengers or materials, so marked or indicated by adequate signs as to be visible at all times. [Sec. 45, Ord. No. 96]

**15.031 "Department" defined.**

"Department" means the police department of the City of Lovelock. [Sec. 25, Ord. No. 96]

**15.033 "Driver" defined.**

"Driver" means a person who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle. [Sec. 31, Ord. No. 96]

**15.035 "Essential parts" defined.**

"Essential parts" means all integral and body parts of a vehicle of a type required to be registered under law, the removal, alteration or substitution of which would tend to conceal the identity of the vehicle or substantially alter its appearance. [Sec. 20, Ord. No. 96]

**15.037 "Garage" defined.**

"Garage" means a building or other place wherein the business of storing or safekeeping vehicles of a type required to be registered under state law and which belong to drivers, members of the public, is conducted for compensation. [Sec. 34, Ord. No. 96]

**15.039 "Intersection" defined.**

"Intersection" means the area embraced within the prolongation of the lateral curb lines, or, if none, then the lateral boundary lines of the roadways of two highways or streets which join one another at approximately right angles, or the area within which vehicular traveling from different highways or streets joining at any other angle may come in conflict. [Sec. 41, Ord. No. 96]

**15.041 "Legal owner" defined.**

"Legal owner" means a person who holds the legal title to a vehicle. [Part Sec. 29, Ord. No. 96]

**15.043 "Motorcycle" defined.**

"Motorcycle" means every motor vehicle other than a tractor having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground and weighing less than 1,500 pounds. [Part Sec. 16, Ord. No. 96]

**15.045 "Motor-driven cycle" defined.**

"Motor-driven cycle" means:

1. A motorcycle, including a motor scooter, with a motor which produces not to exceed 5 horsepower.
2. A bicycle with motor attached. (Part Sec. 16, Ord. No. 96)

**15.047 "Motortruck" defined.**

"Motortruck" means a motor vehicle designed, used or maintained primarily for the transportation of property. [Sec. 14, Ord. No. 96]

**15.049 "Motor vehicle" defined.**

"Motor vehicle" means a vehicle which is self-propelled. [Sec. 13, Ord. No. 96]



**15.051 "Owner" defined.**

"Owner" means a person who holds the legal title to a vehicle; or if a vehicle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale or lease thereof with or without the right of purchase upon performance of the condition stated in the agreement and with an immediate right of possession vested in the conditional vendee or lessee, or if a mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to possession, then such conditional vendee or lessee or mortgagor shall be deemed the owner for the purpose of this chapter. [Sec. 28, Ord. No. 96]

**15.053 "Person" defined.**

"Person" means a natural person, firm, co-partnership, association or corporation. [Sec. 26, Ord. No. 96]

**15.055 "Police officer" defined.**

"Police officer" means every officer of the municipal police department or any officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violation of traffic regulations. [Sec. 24, Ord. No. 96]

**15.057 "Private road," "private driveway" defined.**

"Private road" or "private driveway" means a way or place in private ownership and used for vehicular travel by the owner and those having express or implied permission from the owner, but not by other members of the public. [Sec. 36, Ord. No. 96]

**15.059 "Railroad" defined.**

"Railroad" means a carrier of persons or property upon cars, other than streetcars, operated upon stationary rails. [Sec. 27, Ord. No. 96]

**15.061 "Railroad train" defined.**

"Railroad train" means a steam, electric or other motor engine, with or without cars coupled thereto, operated upon stationary rails, except streetcars.

**15.063 "Registered owner" defined.**

"Registered owner" means an individual, firm, corporation or association whose name appears in the files of the Motor Vehicle Registration Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles as the person to whom the vehicle is registered. [Sec. 30, Ord. No. 96]

**15.065 "Residence district" defined.**

"Residence district" means the territory contiguous to and including a highway not comprising a business district when the property on such highway for a distance of 300 feet or more is in the main improved with dwellings or dwellings and buildings in use for business. [Sec. 44, Ord. No. 96]

**15.067 "Right of way" defined.**

"Right of way" means the privilege of the immediate use of the highway or street. [Sec. 42, Ord. No. 96]

**15.069 "Roadway" defined.**

"Roadway" means that portion of a highway or street improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular travel. [Sec. 38, Ord. No. 96]

**15.071 "School bus" defined.**

"School bus" means a motor vehicle while being used for the transportation of any school pupil to and from school or to and from school activities, except:

1. A motor vehicle of the pleasure type designed for and when actually carrying not more than eight persons, including the driver.

2. A motor vehicle operated by a common carrier subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission of Nevada, except any such vehicle when in use exclusively for the transportation of school pupils.

3. A motor vehicle of any type carrying only members of the household of the owner thereof. [Sec. 22, Ord. No. 96]

**15.073 "Semitrailer" defined.**

"Semitrailer" means a vehicle designed for carrying persons or property and having one or more axles and one or more wheels, used in conjunction with a motor vehicle and so constructed that some part of its weight and that of its load rests upon, or is carried by, another vehicle. [Sec. 18, Ord. No. 96]

**15.075 "Shall," "may" defined.**

"Shall" is mandatory and "may" is permissive. [Sec. 10, Ord. No. 96]

**15.077 "Sidewalk," "sidewalk area" defined.**

"Sidewalk" or "sidewalk area" means that portion of a street between the curb lines and the adjacent property lines. [Sec. 39, Ord. No. 96]

**15.079 "Stop" defined.**

"Stop" means, when required, complete cessation of movement. [Sec. 46, Ord. no. 96]

**15.081 "Street," "highway" defined.**

"Street" or "highway" means a way or place, of whatever nature, including alleys, publicly maintained and open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel. [Sec. 35, Ord. No. 96]

**15.083 "Through highway," "through street" defined.**

"Through highway" or "through street" means a highway, street or portion thereof at the entrance to which vehicular traffic from intersecting highways or streets is required by law to stop before entering or crossing the same, and when stop signs are erected as provided in this chapter. [Sec. 37, Ord. No. 96]

**15.085 "Tow car" defined.**

"Tow car" means a motor vehicle which has been altered or designed and equipped for and exclusively used in the business of towing or is otherwise exclusively used to render assistance to other vehicles. [Sec. 19, Ord. No. 96]

**15.087 "Traffic" defined.**

"Traffic" means pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles and other conveyances, either singly or together, while using any street or highway for purposes of travel. [Sec. 47, Ord. No. 96]

**15.089 "Traffic-control devices" defined.**

"Traffic-control devices" means all signs, signals, markings and devices not inconsistent with this chapter placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction, for the purpose of regulation, warning or guiding traffic. (Sec. 48, Ord. No.96)

**15.091 "Traffic-control signal" defined.**

"Traffic-control signal" means any device, whether manually, electrically or mechanically operated, by which traffic is alternately directed to stop and to proceed. [Sec. 49, Ord. No. 96]

**15.093 "Traffic division" defined.**

"Traffic division" means the traffic division of the police department of the city or, if a traffic division is not established, then such term whenever used in this chapter is deemed to refer to the police department of the city. [Sec. 23, Ord. No. 96]

**15.095 "Trailer" defined.**

"Trailer" means a vehicle designed for carrying persons or property on its own structure and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed that no part of its weight rests upon the towing vehicle. [Sec. 17, Ord. No. 96]

**15.097 "Vehicle" defined.**

"Vehicle" means a device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be propelled, moved or drawn upon a highway, except a device moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks. [Sec. 12, Ord. No. 96]

**General Provisions**

**15.099 Construction of chapter.**

Unless the context otherwise requires, the general provisions set forth in sections 15.101 to 15.113, inclusive, shall govern the construction of this chapter. [Sec. 2, Ord. No. 96]

**15.101 Effect of headings.**

Subdivision and section headings contained in this chapter shall not be deemed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of the provisions of any subdivision or section of this chapter. [Sec. 3, Ord. No. 96]

**15.103 Delegation of powers and duties.**

Whenever by provisions of this chapter a power is granted to a public officer or a duty imposed upon such an officer, the power may be exercised pursuant to law by the officer. [Sec. 4, Ord. No. 96]

**15.105 Required writings.**

Whenever any notice, report, statement or record is required by this chapter, it shall be made in writing in the English language. [Sec. 5, Ord. No. 96]

**15.107 Reference.**

Whenever any reference is made to any portion of this chapter or of any other law, such reference shall apply to all amendments and additions thereto hereafter made. [Sec. 6, Ord. No. 96]

**15.109 Construction of tenses.**

The present tense includes the past and future tenses, and the future, the present. [Sec. 7, Ord. No. 96]

**15.111 Construction of genders.**

The masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter. [Sec. 8, Ord. No. 96]

**15.113 Construction of singular and plural.**

The singular number includes the plural, and the plural the singular. [Sec. 9, Ord. No. 96]

**MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION  
AND LICENSE PLATES**

**15.115 Travel of Non-registered Golf Carts upon city streets.**

1. Any and all golf carts which are not registered with the State of Nevada, Department of Motor Vehicles, shall not travel upon any of the following designated city streets within the City of Lovelock, Nevada:

Cornell Avenue  
Central Avenue  
Western Avenue

2. Such non-registered golf carts shall be allowed, with a proper permit, to operate golf carts on all other city streets of Lovelock, Nevada and may cross-over the streets designated herein provided that the driver of such golf cart obeys any and all traffic laws and traffic control devices.

**15.117 Requirements for Persons operating Non-Registered Golf Carts.**

Any person who operates a golf cart upon any street in the City of Lovelock, must:

1. Be the holder of a valid driver's license.

**15.119 Requirements for Golf Carts driven upon streets within the City of Lovelock.**

Prior to any person operating a golf cart upon any street within the City of Lovelock, all of the following requirements must first be met:

- (a) Such golf cart must be inspected by the City of Lovelock Police Department to be sure that it has all of the following proper items of equipment installed on said golf cart, and must be maintained on such golf cart during the use of such golf cart upon the streets of the City of Lovelock.
- (b) Such golf cart must be equipped with two (2) rear-view mirrors, brakes, turn signals, head lights and tail lights.
- (c) Such golf cart shall meet any and all safety and operating standards as required by the City of Lovelock Police Department.
- (d) Obtain for such golf cart a permit issued on a yearly basis which must be renewed every year thereafter that such golf cart is driven upon any of the streets of the City of Lovelock and shall pay an annual permit fee of Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars per year to the Lovelock City Clerk, and obtain a permit as required herein.

**15.121 Revocation of Permit.**

Any individual that has been issued a permit of the use of an unregistered golf cart on the street of the City of Lovelock, may have such permit revoked for any of the following reasons:

- (a) Driving upon any of the designated streets as provided in Section 15.115.
- (b) Failure to obey any and all traffic laws of the State of Nevada in the operation of said golf cart.
- (c) Allowing an individual which has not been issued a permit to operate such golf cart within the City of Lovelock.

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#### **15.137 Employing unlicensed driver.**

No person shall employ or hire as a driver of a motor vehicle any person not licensed to drive.  
[Sec. 67, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.139 Employing unlicensed parking facility attendant to move motor vehicles.**

No operator of an off-street parking facility shall hire or retain in his employ an attendant whose duties involve the moving of motor vehicles unless such attendant at all times during such employment is licensed to drive.  
[Sec. 68, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.141 Permitting unlicensed person to drive.**

No person shall knowingly permit or authorize the driving of a motor vehicle, owned by him or under his control, upon the streets or highways by any person unless such person is then licensed to drive.  
[Sec. 69, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.143 RESERVED**

### **Registration of Bicycles**

#### **15.145 Unlawful operation of bicycle without license.**

It is unlawful for a person to operate or use a bicycle upon any of the streets, alleys or public highways of the city without first obtaining from the police department a license therefor.  
[Sec. 1, Ord. No. 81]

#### **15.147 Licenses issued for calendar year.**

1. The police department shall issue, upon written application, bicycle licenses which shall be effective for the calendar year, commencing January 1 of each calendar year and ending on December 31 of the calendar year.
2. A license when issued shall entitle the licensee to operate the bicycle for which such license has been issued, upon all the streets, alleys and public highways, exclusive of the sidewalks thereof, in the City.  
[Sec. 2, Ord. No. 81]

#### **15.149 License plates: Issuance; attachment to bicycles; records.**

1. The City shall provide each year metallic license plates and seals, together with registration cards and plastic holders therefor, metallic license plates and registration cards having numbers stamped thereon in numerical order, beginning with Number 1, and indicating the year for which the same was issued, and the letters "LBL" stamped thereon. Such metallic license plates shall be suitable for attachment upon the frames of bicycles.
2. The police department shall attach one such metallic license plate to the frame of each bicycle and issue a corresponding registration card to the licensee upon the payment of the license fee. Such metallic license plates shall remain attached during the existence of such license.
3. The police department shall keep a record of the date of issue of each license, to whom issued, and the number thereof.  
[Sec. 3, Ord. No. 81]

#### **15.151 Reports of bicycle dealers.**

1. All persons engaged in the business of buying of secondhand bicycles shall make daily reports to the police department, giving the name and address of the person from

whom each bicycle is purchased, the description of each bicycle purchased, the frame number thereof, and the number of the metallic license plate found thereon, if any.

2. All persons engaged in the business of selling new or secondhand bicycles shall make daily reports to the police department, giving a list of all sales made by such dealers, which list shall include the name and address of each person to whom sold, the kind of bicycle sold, together with a description and frame number thereof, and the number of the metallic license plate attached thereto, if any. [Sec. 4, Ord. No. 81]

**15.153 Reports of sales, transfers of bicycles.**

1. Every person who sells or transfers ownership of any bicycle shall report such sale or transfer by returning to the police department the registration card issued to such person as licensee thereof, together with the name and address of the person to whom such bicycle was sold or transferred. Such report shall be made within 5 days of the date of the sale or transfer.

2. The purchaser or transferee of such bicycle shall apply for a transfer of registration therefor within 5 days of the sale or transfer. [Sec. 5, Ord. No. 81]

**15.155 Unlawful destruction, alteration, removal of bicycle frame numbers, license plates.**

1. Except as provided in subsection 2, it is unlawful for any person to:  
(a) Willfully or maliciously remove, destroy, mutilate or alter the number of any bicycle frame licensed pursuant to sections 15.145 to 15.159, inclusive.  
(b) Remove, destroy, mutilate or alter any license plate, seal or registration card during the time in which such license plate, seal or registration card is operative.

2. Nothing in sections 15.145 to 15.159, inclusive, shall prohibit the police department from stamping numbers on the frames of bicycles on which no serial number can be found, or on which such number is illegible or insufficient for identification purposes. [Sec. 6, Ord. No. 81]

**15.157 License, transfer fees.**

1. The annual license fee to be paid for each bicycle is 60 cents, and shall be paid in advance.

2. Such license may be transferred. A fee of 25 cents shall be paid for the registration of such transfer.

3. All license fees collected under sections 15.145 to 15.159, inclusive, shall be paid into the general fund of the city. [Sec. 7, Ord. No. 81]

**15.159 Penalties: impoundment of bicycles.**

1. Every person violating any of the provisions of sections 15.145 to 15.157, inclusive, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished as provided in section 35.010.

2. In addition to the penalty set forth in subsection 1, the police department or any member thereof may impound and retain possession of any bicycle operated in violation of any of the provisions of sections 15.145 to 15.157, inclusive, and retain possession of the same until the license provided for in sections 15.145 to 15.157, inclusive, is obtained by the owner of such bicycle. [Sec. 8, Ord. No. 81]

## **Accidents and Accident Reports**

### **15.161 Accidents involving injuries, death or property damage.**

1. The driver of any vehicle in an accident resulting in injury to any person, other than himself, or death of any person or damage to property shall:
  - (a) Immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of such accident.
  - (b) Give his name, address and registration number of the vehicle he is driving and the name of the owner.
  - (c) Upon request and if available exhibit his driver's license to the person struck or the driver or occupants of any vehicle collided with or shall give information and exhibit such license to any traffic or police officer at the scene of the accident.
  - (d) Render to any person injured in such accident reasonable assistance, including the carrying of or the making arrangements for the carrying of such person to a physician, surgeon or hospital, for medical or surgical treatment if it is apparent that such treatment is necessary or if such carrying is requested by the injured.
  
2. Every driver shall as soon as possible make a full report of such collision, with all details and circumstances thereof, to the police department. [Sec. 88, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.163 Duty upon striking unattended vehicle, animal or other object.**

The driver of any vehicle which collides with any vehicle or animal or other object of any nature whatsoever which is unattended shall immediately:

1. Stop and shall then and there either locate and notify the operator or owner of such vehicle, animal or other object of the name and address of the driver and owner of the vehicle striking the unattended vehicle, animal or other object, or shall leave in a conspicuous place in the vehicle struck a written notice giving the name and address of the driver and the owner of the vehicle doing the striking.
  
2. Make a full report of such collision with all details and circumstances thereof, to the police department. [Sec. 89, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.165 When driver unable to report.**

Whenever the driver of a vehicle is physically incapable of making a required accident report and there was another occupant in the vehicle at the time of the accident, such occupant shall make, or cause to be made, such report. (Sec. 90, Ord. No. 96)

## **Rules of the Road** **Obedience to and Effect of Traffic Laws**

### **15.167 Required obedience to traffic laws.**

It is unlawful and unless otherwise declared in this chapter with respect to particular offenses, it is a misdemeanor for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in sections 15.167 to 15.363, inclusive. [Sec. 71, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.169 Traffic laws apply to persons riding bicycles or animals.**

Every person riding a bicycle or riding or driving an animal upon a street, highway or alley shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except those provisions which by their very nature can have no application. [Sec. 72, Ord. No. 96]

### **15.171 Public officers and employees to obey chapter.**

1. The provisions of this chapter applicable to the drivers of vehicles upon the streets, highways or alleys shall apply to the drivers of all vehicles while engaged in the course

of employment by the United States Government, the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof, or any municipal corporation or district therein, including authorized emergency vehicles subject to those exemptions granted such emergency vehicles in this chapter.

2. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to public employees, motor vehicles and other equipment while actually engaged in work upon the surface of any street, or work of installation, removal, repairing or maintaining traffic signs, signals or other traffic-control devices, but shall apply to such persons and vehicles when traveling to or from such work. [Sec. 73, Ord. No. 96]

**15.173 Exemptions to authorized emergency vehicles.**

1. The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter as set forth in this section under the following conditions:

(a) Such exemptions shall apply whenever any such vehicle is being driven in response to an emergency call or when used in the immediate pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, or when responding to, but not returning from, a fire alarm.

(b) Such exemptions shall apply when the driver of such vehicle sounds a siren as may be reasonably necessary and the vehicle displays a lighted red lamp visible from the front as a warning to others.

2. Under the circumstances stated in subsection 1, the driver shall not be required to observe those regulations contained in sections 15.195, 15.203 and 15.263, but such exemptions shall not relieve the driver of any such vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the street or highway, nor shall the provisions of this section protect any such driver from the consequences of an arbitrary exercise of the privileges declared in this section. [Sec. 74, Ord. No. 96]

**15.175 Operation of fire department vehicles.**

The provisions of section 15.173 shall apply to the operation of fire department vehicles whether directly responding to an emergency call or operated from one place to another as rendered desirable or necessary by reason of an emergency call and operated to the scene of such emergency, or operated from one fire station to another or to some location by reason of such emergency call. [Sec. 75, Ord. No. 96]

**15.177 Vehicles owned by physicians.**

1. A physician traveling in response to an emergency call shall be exempt from the provisions of section 15.263 if the vehicle so used by him displays an insignia indicating that such vehicle is owned by a licensed physician.

2. The provisions of this section shall not relieve the driver of any such vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the street, highway or alley, nor shall the provisions of this section protect any such driver from the consequences of any arbitrary exercise of the privileges declared in this section.

[Sec. 76, Ord. No. 96]

**15.179 Enforcement of traffic laws by police officers.**



The officers of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the chief of police shall enforce all street traffic laws of this city and all of the state vehicle laws applicable to street traffic in this city. [Sec. 50, Ord. NO. 96]

**15.181 Direction of traffic by police officers.**

Officers of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the chief of police are authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand or signal in conformance with traffic laws, but in the event of a fire or other emergency, or to expedite traffic or to safeguard pedestrians, officers of the police department may direct traffic as conditions may require notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter. [Sec. 51, Ord. No. 96]

**15.183 Members of fire department.**

When at the scene of a fire, members of the fire department may direct or assist the police department in directing traffic there, at or in the immediate vicinity. [Sec. 52, Ord. No. 96]

**15.185 Obedience of firemen.**

It is unlawful willfully to fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order, signal or direction of any member of the Lovelock fire department, paid or volunteer, when in the absence of or assisting a police officer, and when in the course of his duties, he is protecting the fire department personnel and equipment. [Sec. 53, Ord. No. 96]

**15.187 School zones.**

The portion of streets and such other portions of streets as bound or may hereafter bound school sites acquired for school purposes are designated as school zones. [Sec. 54, Ord. No. 96]

**15.189 One-way streets and alleys generally.**

Whenever this chapter designates any one-way street or alley, the chief of police and the city engineer shall place and maintain or cause to be placed or maintained signs giving notice thereof. No such regulation shall be effective unless such signs are in place. Signs indicating the direction of lawful traffic movement shall be placed at every intersection where movement of traffic in the opposite direction is prohibited. [Sec. 55, Ord. No. 96]

**Traffic Signs, Signals and Markings**

**15.191 Authority of chief of police and city engineer.**

The chief of police and the city engineer, subject to the approval of the city council, are authorized to:

1. Provide a uniform system of marking and signing streets and highways, and such systems of marking and signing shall correlate to and so far as possible conform to the system adopted in other parts of the State of Nevada.
2. Determine the character or type and to place or erect upon the streets and highways traffic-control signals at places where they deem necessary for expeditious control of traffic. So far as practicable, all such traffic-control signals shall be uniform as to type and location. [Sec. 77, Ord. No. 96]

**15.193 Signs, signals and markings.**

The chief of police and the city engineer, subject to the approval of the city council, shall cause to be erected and maintained:

1. Appropriate signs designating railway grade crossings.
2. Such other signs, markings and traffic-control signals as may be deemed necessary to direct and regulate traffic and to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

3. Such additional signs as may be appropriate to give notice of parking and other regulations. [Sec. 78, Ord. No. 96]

**15.195 Obedience to traffic signs and signals.**

It is unlawful for the driver of any vehicle, or the person in charge of any animal, or any pedestrian to disobey the instructions of any official traffic sign or signal placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

[Sec. 80, Ord. No. 96]

**15.197 Street name signs required at signal-controlled intersections.**

At each signal-controlled intersection on streets and highways within the city limits there shall be a street name sign clearly visible to the principal flow of traffic. [Sec. 81, Ord. No. 96]

**15.199 Manual and specifications for traffic-control devices; specifications for stop signs.**

1. All traffic-control signs, signals and devices shall conform to the manual and specifications approved by the Department of Highways, and specifications approved in this chapter for a particular purpose shall, so far as practicable, be uniform as to type and location throughout the city. All traffic-control devices so erected and not inconsistent with the provisions of state law or this chapter shall be official traffic-control devices.
2. The stop sign shall be octagonal in shape, shall have red background, and shall carry the word "STOP" in white letters at least one-third the height of the sign. The minimum size of stop signs shall be 24 by 24 inches.
3. Every stop sign shall be located at or near the entrance to the street or intersection where a stop is required, and every stop sign shall from sunset to sunrise be illuminated by light beams, flasher lights or by reflecting elements set into the face of the sign.
4. This section shall apply to all stop signs erected after September 1958.

[Sec. 82, Ord. No. 96]

**15.201 Official traffic signals.**

Whenever traffic is controlled by official traffic-control signals exhibiting the words "GO," "CAUTION" or "STOP," or exhibiting different colored lights successively, one at a time, or with arrows, the following colors only shall be used, and such terms and lights shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

1. GREEN alone or GO.
  - (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal shall proceed, except that vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time such signal is exhibited.
  - (b) No pedestrian facing such signal shall enter the roadway until GREEN or GO is shown alone.
2. YELLOW or CAUTION when shown following the GREEN or GO signal.
  - (a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal is thereby warned that the RED or STOP signal will be exhibited immediately thereafter, and vehicular traffic shall not enter the intersection when the RED or STOP signal is exhibited.
  - (b) No pedestrian shall enter the roadway or cross any part of the roadway or from or to a safety zone against a YELLOW or CAUTION signal.
3. RED alone or STOP.

Vehicular traffic facing the signal shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before entering the intersection, and shall remain standing until GREEN or GO is shown alone, except that traffic may turn right after coming to a complete stop and providing to do so does not endanger pedestrians in the crosswalk.

4. RED with GREEN arrow.

(a) Vehicular traffic facing such signal may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by such arrow but shall yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully using the intersection.

(b) The driver of a vehicle intending to turn right or left at an intersection where traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals or by a police officer shall proceed to make either turn with proper care to avoid accident and only upon the GO signal, unless otherwise directed by a police officer or by official traffic signs, or unless authorized by this chapter.

(c) No person shall disobey the directions of this section except when it is necessary for the purpose of avoiding a collision or in case of other emergency or when otherwise directed by a police or traffic officer, or as permitted under section 15.173. [Sec. 83, Ord. No. 96]

**15.203 Flashing signals.**

Whenever a flashing RED or YELLOW signal is used in a traffic sign or signal it shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:

1. Flashing RED (Stop Signal).

When a RED lens is illuminated by rapid intermittent flashed, drivers of vehicles shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, and may proceed through the intersection on such signal only after coming to a complete stop.

2. Flashing YELLOW (Caution Signal).

When a YELLOW lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection or pass such signal only with added caution. [Sec. 84, Ord. No. 96]

**15.205 Display of unauthorized signs, signals and lights.**

1. No person shall place, maintain or display upon or in view of any street or highway any unofficial sign, signal or device or any sign, signal or device which purports to be or is an imitation of, or resembles, any official traffic sign or signal or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any official traffic sign or signal.

2. No person shall place or maintain any tree, shrubbery or other obstacle which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any official traffic sign or signal.

3. Every such prohibited sign, signal or device or light is declared to be a public nuisance, and the chief of police is empowered without notice to remove the same, or cause the same to be removed, or bring an action as provided by law to abate such nuisance. [Sec. 85, Ord. No. 96]

**15.207 Interference with official signs, signals, devices, guides and markers prohibited.**

1. No person shall without lawful authority deface, injure, knock down or remove, nor shall any person shoot at, any official traffic sign or signal or any device, guidepost or historical marker placed or erected as authorized or required by law.

2. No person shall without authority deface, injure or remove, nor shall any person shoot at, any inscription, shield or insignia on any such sign, signal, device, guide or marker. [Sec. 86, Ord. No. 96]

**15.209 Curb markings to indicate parking regulations.**

1. By the use of paint upon curbs, the following colors only shall be used and such colors indicate as follows:

- (a) RED indicates no stopping, standing or parking, whether the vehicle is attended or unattended.
- (b) YELLOW indicates stopping only for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or freight for such time as may be specified.
- (c) GREEN indicates time limit parking as specified.

2. The regulations contained in subsection 1 shall be effective upon such days and during such hours or time as may be prescribed by city council resolution.

[Sec. 86, Ord. No. 96]

**Driving on Right Side of Highway; Overtaking and Passing; Use of Highway**

**15.211 Regulations applicable to driving on right side of street; overtaking and passing.**

1. Upon all roadways of sufficient width a vehicle shall be driven upon the right half of the roadway, except as follows:

- (a) When overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction under the rules governing such movement.
- (b) When placing a vehicle in a lawful position for, and when such vehicle is lawfully making, a left turn.
- (c) When the right half of a roadway is closed to traffic while under construction or repair.
- (d) Upon a roadway designated and sign posted for one-way traffic.

2. It is unlawful to drive any vehicle upon any street or highway which has been divided into two or more roadways by means of intermittent barriers or by means of a dividing section of not less than 2 feet in width, either unpaved or delineated by curbs, lines or other markings on the roadway, except to the right of such barrier or dividing section, or to drive any vehicle over, upon or across any such dividing section, or to make any left turn or semicircular or U-turn on any such divided street or highway, except through an opening in such barrier designed and intended for the use of vehicles or through a plainly marked opening in such dividing section. [Sec. 100, Ord. No. 96]

**15.213 Driving in right-hand lane.**

1. Notwithstanding the restricted speed limits upon all streets or highways, vehicles proceeding at less than the normal speed of traffic thereon shall be driven in the right-hand lane for traffic or as close as practicable to the right-hand edge or curb, except when overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction or when preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway.

2. This section also applies to one-way streets and alleys [Sec. 101, Ord. No. 96]

**15.215 Driving on roadways laned for traffic.**

Whenever any roadway has been divided into three or more clearly marked lanes for traffic, the following rules in addition to all other rules consistent with this section shall apply:

1. A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practical entirely within a single lane and shall not be moved from such lane until the driver has first ascertained that such movement can be made with safety.

2. Upon a roadway which is divided into three lanes, a vehicle shall not be driven in the center lane except:

(a) When overtaking and passing another vehicle where the roadway ahead is clearly visible and such center lane is clear of traffic within a safe distance; or

(b) In preparation for a left turn; or

(c) Where such center lane is at the time allocated exclusively to traffic moving in the direction in which the vehicle is proceeding and is signposted to give note of such allocation.

3. Official signs may be erected directing slow-moving traffic to use a designated lane or allocating specific lanes to traffic moving in the same direction, and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such sign. [Sec. 102, Ord. No. 96]

**15.217 Passing vehicles proceeding in opposite directions.**

Drivers of vehicles proceeding in opposite directions shall pass each other to the right and, except when a roadway has been divided into traffic lanes, each driver shall give to the other at least one-half of the main traveled portion of the roadway whenever possible.

[Sec. 103, Ord. No. 96]

**15.219 Overtaking a vehicle on the left.**

The following rules shall govern the overtaking and passing of vehicles proceeding in the same direction, subject to the limitations and exceptions stated in this chapter:

1. The driver of a vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again drive to the right side of the roadway until safely clear of the overtaken vehicle.

2. Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of an overtaken vehicle shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle. [Sec. 104, Ord. No. 96]

**15.221 When overtaking on the right permitted.**

1. The driver of a motor vehicle may overtake and pass to the right of another vehicle only under the following conditions:

(a) When the vehicle overtaken is making or about to make a left turn.

(b) Upon a street which unobstructed pavement of sufficient width for two or more lines of vehicles in each direction.

(c) Upon a one-way street.

(d) Upon a street or highway divided into two roadways where traffic is restricted to one direction upon each of such roadways.

2. The driver of a motor vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle upon the right only under conditions permitting such movement in safety. In no event shall such movement be made by driving off the paved or main traveled portion of the roadway.

3. The provisions of this section shall not relieve the driver of a slow-moving vehicle from the duty to drive as closely as practicable to the right-hand edge of the roadway.  
[Sec. 105, Ord. No. 96]

**15.223 No-passing zones.**

Where signs or markings are in place to define a no-passing zone, no driver shall at any time drive on the left side of the roadway within such no-passing zone or on the left side of any pavement striping designed to mark such no-passing zone throughout its length.

[Sec. 106, Ord. No. 96]

**15.225 Following too closely.**

1. The driver of a motor vehicle shall not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard for the speed of such vehicle and the traffic upon, and the condition of, the roadway.

2. No motor vehicle except an authorized emergency vehicle or a vehicle of an authorized member of a fire department shall follow within 300 feet of any vehicle of a fire department which is responding to an emergency or fire call.

[Sec. 107, Ord. No. 96]

**Right of Way**

**15.227 Vehicle approaching and entering intersection.**

1. The driver of a vehicle approaching an intersection shall yield the right of way to a vehicle which has entered the intersection from a different street or highway.

2. When two vehicles enter an intersection from different streets or highways at the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right of way to the driver of the vehicle on the right.

[Sec. 115, Ord. No. 96]

**15.229 Vehicle turning left at intersection.**

1. The driver of a vehicle within an intersection intending to turn to the left shall yield the right of way to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction which is within the intersection or so close thereto as to constitute an immediate hazard.

2. Such driver turning left, having so yielded and having given a signal when and as required by this chapter, may make such left turn, and the drivers of all other vehicles approaching the intersection from the opposite direction shall yield the right of way to the driver making the left turn.

[Sec. 116, Ord. No. 96]

**15.231 Vehicles entering through street or highway.**

1. The driver of any vehicle shall stop as required by section 15.261 at the entrance to a through street or highway and shall yield the right of way to other vehicles which have entered the intersection from the through street or highway or which are approaching so closely on the through street or highway as to constitute an immediate hazard.

2. Such driver, having so yielded, may proceed, and the drivers of all other vehicles approaching the intersection on the through street or highway shall yield the right of way to the vehicle so about to enter or cross the through street or highway.

[Sec. 117, Ord. No. 96]

**15.233 Vehicle entering street or highway from private road or driveway.**

The driver of a vehicle about to enter or cross a highway or street from any private road or driveway or from an alley not exceeding a width of 22 feet or from any alley as defined by the

Lovelock Municipal Code shall yield the right of way to all vehicles approaching on such street or highway. [Sec. 118, Ord. No. 96]

**15.235 Conduct of drivers and pedestrians on approach of authorized emergency vehicles.**

Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle sounding a siren and having at least one lighted lamp exhibiting a red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet to the right of such vehicle, except when otherwise directed by a police officer:

1. The driver of every vehicle shall yield the right of way and shall immediately drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to, the right-hand edge or curb of the street or highway clear of any intersection and thereupon stop and remain in such position until such authorized emergency vehicle has passed.
2. All pedestrians upon the street or highway shall remain in a place of safety or proceed to the nearest curb or place of safety until such authorized emergency vehicle has passed. [Sec. 119, Ord. No. 96]

**Pedestrians' Rights and Duties**

**15.237 Pedestrians' right of way at crosswalks.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection.
2. Whenever any vehicle has stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass such stopped vehicle. [Sec. 120, Ord. No. 96]

**15.239 Pedestrians' right of way on sidewalk.**

The driver of any motor vehicle, prior to driving over or upon any sidewalk, shall yield the right of way to any pedestrian approaching thereon. [Sec. 121, Ord. No. 96]

**15.241 Crossing at other than crosswalks.**

1. Every pedestrian crossing a street or highway 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 street or highway.
2. The provisions of this section shall not relieve the driver of a vehicle from the duty to exercise due care for the safety of any pedestrian upon a street or highway.
3. It is unlawful for any pedestrian to cross any roadway at any point other than within a crosswalk. [Sec. 122, Ord. No. 96]

**15.243 Pedestrians walking along streets and highway.**

1. Where sidewalks are not provided, any pedestrian walking along and upon a street or highway shall, when practicable, walk only on the left side of the street or highway or its shoulder facing traffic which may approach from the opposite direction.
2. No person shall stand in a street or highway for the purpose of soliciting a ride from the driver of any vehicle.

3. It is unlawful for any pedestrian who is intoxicated to such an extent as to create a hazard to himself or others to walk or be upon any roadway. [Sec. 123, Ord. No. 96]

### **Turning and Starting and Signals on Stopping and Turning**

#### **15.245 Turning at intersections.**

1. The driver of a vehicle intending to turn at an intersection shall do so as follows:
  - (a) Right turns. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn shall be made as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway.
  - (b) Left turns on two-way streets. At any intersection where traffic is permitted to move in both directions on each street entering the intersection, an approach for a left turn shall be made in that portion of the right half of the street nearest the center line thereof and by passing to the right of such center line where it enters the intersection; and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to leave the intersection to the right of the center line of the street being entered.
  - (c) Left turns on other than two-way streets. At any intersection where traffic is restricted to one direction on one or more of the streets, the driver of a vehicle intending to turn left at any such intersection shall approach the intersection in the left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction of travel of such vehicle, and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to leave the intersection as nearly as practicable in the left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in such direction upon the street being entered.
  
2. The chief of police and the city engineer, with the approval of the city council, may by placing markers, buttons or signs within intersections require and direct that a different course than that specified in this section be traveled by vehicles turning at an intersection or may allocate and indicate more than one lane of traffic from which drivers of vehicles may make right or left turns. 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 or permitted by such markers, buttons or signs. [Sec. 109, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.247 Turning in streets prohibited.**

1. No vehicle in a business district shall be turned so as to proceed in the opposite direction, except at an intersection.
  
2. No vehicle in a residence district shall be turned left across the roadway or so as to proceed in the opposite direction when any other vehicle is approaching from either direction within 200 feet, except at an intersection. [Sec. 110, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.249 Starting parked vehicles or backing.**

No person shall start a vehicle stopped, standing or parked, nor shall any person back a vehicle on a street or highway, in the city, unless movement can be made with reasonable safety. [Sec. 111, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.251 Turning movements and required signals.**

1. No person shall turn a vehicle from a direct course or move right or left upon a roadway unless such movement can be made with reasonable safety and then only after giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided in this chapter, if any other vehicle may be affected by such movement.



2. Any signal of intention to turn right or left shall be given continuously during the last 50 feet traveled by a vehicle before turning.

3. No person shall stop or suddenly decrease the speed of a vehicle on a street or highway without first giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided in this chapter to the driver of any vehicle immediately to the rear when there is opportunity to give such signal. [Sec. 112, Ord. No. 96]

**15.253 Signals by hand and arm or signal device.**

The signals required by this chapter shall be given either by means of the hand and arm or by signal lamp or mechanical signal device. [Sec. 113, Ord. No. 96]

**15.255 Method of giving signals.**

All signals required by this chapter given by hand and arm shall be given from the left side of a vehicle in the following manner, and such signals shall indicate as follows:

1. Left turn. Hand and arm extended horizontally beyond the side of the vehicle.

2. Right turn. Hand and arm extended upward beyond the side of the vehicle.

3. Stop or sudden decrease of speed signal. Hand and arm extended downward beyond the side of the vehicle. [Sec. 114, Ord. No. 96]

**Special Stops Required**

**15.257 Meeting or passing school bus.**

The driver of any vehicle upon city streets or roads, upon meeting or overtaking, from either direction, any school bus, equipped with signs and signals required by law, which has stopped on the street or road for the purpose of receiving or discharging any pupil and is displaying a flashing red light signal from the front and rear, shall bring his vehicle to a stop immediately and shall not proceed past the bus until the flashing red signal ceases operation.

[Sec. I, Ord. No. 192]

**15.259 Obedience to signal indicating approach of train.**

1. Whenever any person driving a vehicle upon a highway approaches a railway grade crossing and a clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a railroad train, it is unlawful for the driver of the vehicle to fail to stop the vehicle before traversing such grade crossing.

2. The driver of any motor vehicle carrying passengers for hire, or of any school bus carrying any school child, or of any motor truck carrying explosive or inflammable substances, whether empty or loaded, before crossing at any railway grade crossing shall stop such vehicle not less than 10 nor more than 50 feet from the nearest rail of such track and while so stopped shall listen, and look in both directions along such track, for any approaching railroad train, before traversing such crossing. [Sec. 124, Ord. 96]

**15.261 Vehicles must stop at through street or highway.**

The driver of any vehicle approaching any entrance of a street or highway or intersection, or railroad grade crossing, signposted with a stop sign as provided in this chapter, except as otherwise permitted or directed in this chapter, shall stop:

1. Before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or, if none, then at a limit line when marked, otherwise before entering such street, highway or intersection;

or

### **Speed Restrictions**

#### **15.263 Special restrictions.**

1. The speed of any vehicle upon a highway, street or alley not in excess of the limits specified in this chapter or established by the city council is lawful unless clearly proven to be in violation of section 15.269.
2. The speed of any vehicle upon a highway, street or alley in excess of any of the limits specified in this section or established by the city council is prima facie unlawful. The prima facie limits referred to in this subsection are as follows and the same shall be applicable unless changed as authorized by the city council; and, if so changed, then only when signs have been erected giving notice thereof, in which event the speed designated on the signs shall be the prima facie limit:
  - (a) Fifteen miles per hour.
3. When passing a school building or the grounds thereof contiguous to the street or highway during school hours or while children are going to or leaving such school during opening or closing hours or while the playgrounds of any such school are in use by school children.
4. When traversing any intersection of streets or highway if during the last 100 feet of his approach to such intersection the driver does not have a clear and unobstructed view of such intersection and of any traffic upon all the streets or highways, entering such intersection for a distance of 100 feet along all such streets or highways, except on a through street or highway or at a traffic-controlled intersection.
5. Upon a street or highway bordering upon the grounds of any state, county or city hospital when the signs giving notice of the speed limit have been erected.
  - (b) Twenty miles per hour. Upon all streets or highways which have not been designated as through streets.
  - (c) Twenty-five miles per hour. Upon all designated through streets.
  - (d) Over 25 miles per hour. Upon any street or highway marked and signed by the chief of police, with the approval of the city council, when the marking and signing indicate the allowance of such speed. [Sec. 97, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.265 Minimum speed law.**

No person shall drive upon a street or highway 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. [Sec. 98, Ord. NO. 96]

#### **15.267 When speed limit is not applicable.**

1. The speed limits set forth in section 15.263 shall not apply to authorized emergency vehicles when driven in response to an emergency call or in pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, and when the drivers thereof sound an audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle.
2. The provisions of subsection 1 shall not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the street, nor shall it protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequences of reckless disregard of the safety of others. [Sec. 99, Ord. No. 96]

**Reckless Driving; Persons Under the  
Influence of Intoxicating Liquor,  
Controlled Substances**

**15.269 Reckless driving.**

1. It is unlawful for any person to ride, drive or propel a vehicle of any kind or character or, being in charge thereof, to control the same in a careless, reckless and imprudent manner on any street, highway or alley within the city or in such a manner as to endanger the life, limb or property of any person. Such riding, driving or propelling constitutes reckless driving.

2. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall upon conviction be punished as provided in section 35.010, and his driver's license may be canceled, suspended or revoked as provided in chapter 483 of NRS.

[Sec. 95, Ord. No. 96]

**15.271 Driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquors or controlled substances.**

1. It is unlawful for any person, while either intoxicated or under the influence of intoxicating liquors, or of controlled substances, to drive, ride or conduct any vehicle, or have charge or control of any vehicle, or ride any animal, on any public street, highway or alley within the city.

2. Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as provided in section 35.010, and such person's license to operate a vehicle in the State of Nevada may, by decision of the municipal court, be suspended by the Department of Motor Vehicles for a period of not less than 30 days nor more than 1 year. Subsequent convictions for an offense under the provisions of this section shall be punished as provided in NRS 484.379.

[Sec. 91, Ord. No. 96]

**15.273 Presumptions in criminal prosecution that defendant was under influence of intoxicating liquors; chemical analysis.**

1. In any criminal prosecution for a violation or relating to driving a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, the amount of alcohol in the defendant's blood at the time alleged as shown by chemical analysis of the defendant's blood urine, breath or other bodily substance shall give rise to the following presumptions:

- (a) If there was at that time 0.05 percent or less by weight of alcohol in the defendant's blood, it shall be presumed that the defendant was not under the influence of intoxicating liquor.
- (b) If there was at that time in excess of 0.05 percent but less than 0.15 percent by weight of alcohol in the defendant's blood, such fact shall not give rise to any presumption that the defendant was or was not under the influence of intoxicating liquor, but such fact may be considered with other competent evidence in determining the guilt or innocence of the defendant.
- (c) If there was at that time 0.10 percent or more by weight of alcohol in the defendant's blood, it shall be presumed that the defendant was under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 shall not be construed as limiting the introduction of any other competent evidence bearing upon the question whether or not the defendant was under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

[Sec. 92, Ord. No. 96]

**15.275 Duty of police judge.**

The police judge in imposing sentences provided for in section 15.271 shall not suspend the same or any part thereof. [Sec. 93, Ord. No. 96]

**15.277 Intoxication in or about motor vehicle.**

It is unlawful for any person, while either intoxicated or under the influence of intoxicating liquor, to be in or about any motor vehicle on any street, highway or alley within the city. [Sec. 94, Ord. No. 96]

**Stopping, Standing and Parking**

**15.279 Stopping, standing or parking prohibited.**

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

1. On a sidewalk.
2. In front of a public or private driveway.
3. Within an intersection.
4. Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant.
5. On a crosswalk or safety zone.
6. Within 10 feet of a crosswalk or safety zone at an intersection.
7. Within 30 feet upon the approach of any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic-control device located at the side of a roadway.
8. Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing.
9. Within 20 feet of a driveway entrance to any fire station.
10. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.
11. On the street side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street or highway.
12. Within a highway underpass or tunnel.
13. At any place where official signs prohibit stopping.
14. At any place within 10 feet of an intersection in any business district, except at designated bus stops; and the operator of no vehicle shall stop in the area designated as a bus stop longer than 3 minutes.
15. At any curb which is marked by signs or red paint upon the curb.

[Sec. 126, Ord. No. 96]

**15.281 Parallel parking.**

No person shall stand or park a vehicle in a street other than parallel with the edge of the street headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with right-hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as otherwise provided in this chapter. [Sec. 127, Ord. No. 96]

**15.283 Angle parking.**

1. The chief of police and the city engineer, subject to the approval of the city council, shall determine upon what streets angle parking shall be permitted and shall mark or sign or cause to be marked or signed such streets, but such angle parking shall not be indicated upon any federal aid or state highway within this city unless the Department of Highways approves such angle parking in writing.

2. Angle parking shall not be indicated or permitted at any place where passing traffic would thereby be caused or required to drive upon the left side of the street.

3. Upon those streets which have been signed or marked for angle parking no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at the angle to the curb or edge of the roadway indicated by such signs or markings. [Sec. 128, Ord. No. 96]

**15.285 Municipal vehicles.**

The city council may designate a certain space to be reserved for the parking of municipal vehicles of the city. It is unlawful to park any vehicle, other than a municipal vehicle, in such space. [Sec. 129, Ord. No. 96]

**15.287 Parking in alleys.**

1. No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than 10 feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle within any alley in such position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property.

2. It is unlawful to park on the left side of any designated one-way traffic movement alley. [Sec. 130, Ord. No. 96]

**15.289 Vehicle or trailer projecting into street.**

In no case shall any part of any vehicle, part of the load of such vehicle, or trailer attached to such vehicle project into the street on a line at right angles to the curb.

[Sec. 131, Ord. No. 96]

**15.291 Twenty-four-hour parking prohibited.**

No person shall park a vehicle on any street for a period of time longer than 24 hours.

[Sec. 132, Ord. No. 96]

**15.293 Parking for certain purposes prohibited.**

1. No person shall park a vehicle upon any roadway for the principal purpose of:

- (a) Displaying such vehicle for sale.
- (b) Greasing or repairing such vehicle, except as necessitated by an emergency.

2. It is unlawful for any person to park any vehicle upon any street in any business district, from which such vehicle merchandise is being sold, or on which merchandise is placed and advertised for sale, or on which any article is being repaired, modeled or remodeled, or manufactured. [Sec. 133, Ord. No. 96]

**15.295 Parking prohibited on narrow streets.**

1. The chief of police and the city engineer, with the approval of the city council, are authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon any street when the width of the roadway does not exceed 20 feet, or upon one side of a street as indicated by such signs when the width of the street does not exceed 30 feet.

2. When official signs prohibiting parking are erected upon narrow streets as authorized in this section, no person shall park a vehicle upon any such street in violation of any such sign. [Sec. 134, Ord. No. 96]

**15.297 Parking adjacent to schools.**

When official signs are erected indicating no parking upon that side of a street adjacent to any school property, no person shall park a vehicle in any such designated place. [Sec. 135, Ord. No. 96]

**15.299 Standing for loading; designation of loading zones.**

1. It is unlawful for the operator of a vehicle to stop such vehicle for a period of time longer than is necessary for the loading or unloading of passengers or materials; but the loading or unloading of passengers shall not consume more than 3 minutes, nor the loading or unloading of materials more than 20 minutes, in the following designated places:

- (a) In an alley.
- (b) In any loading zone.
- (c) In any marked bus stop.
- (d) In front of theaters.

2. The chief of police and the city engineer, with the approval of the city council, shall determine the location of loading zones and shall mark or cause to be marked by appropriate signs or as specifically required in this chapter those places where standing for loading only is permitted under this section, subject to the following requirements and limitations:

- (a) Every loading zone and that portion of every curb reserved for loading shall be designated by yellow paint, or other yellow material, upon the entire curb surface therein.
- (b) Within any business district, not more than 40 feet on each side of the street in any one block may be set apart as a loading zone. [Sec. 136, Ord. No. 96]

**15.301 City council to designate public carrier stands.**

1. The city council is authorized to establish bus stops and taxicab stands and stands for other passenger common carrier motor vehicles on such public streets in such places and in such number as the city council determines to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public. Every such bus stop, taxicab stand or other stand shall be designated by appropriate signs.

2. The driver of a bus or taxicab shall not park upon any street in any business or other district at any place other than at a bus stop, or taxicab stand,, respectively, except that this provision shall not prevent the driver of any such vehicle from temporarily stopping in accordance with other stopping or parking regulations at any place for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers.

3. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop, or other than a taxicab in a taxicab stand, when any such stop or stand has been officially designated and appropriately signed, except that the driver of a passenger vehicle may

temporarily stop therein for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when such stopping does not interfere with any bus or taxicab waiting to enter or about to enter such zone. [Sec. 137, Ord. No. 96]

**15.303 Timed parking.**

1. Whenever by this chapter or any city council resolution or other provision of the Lovelock Municipal Code any parking time limit is imposed or parking is prohibited on designated streets, the chief of police and the city engineer shall erect or cause to be erected appropriate signs giving notice thereof; and no such regulations shall be effective unless such signs are erected and in place at the time of any alleged offense.
2. No person shall park a vehicle for longer than is designated by signs in a time limit area. [Sec. 138, Ord. No. 96]

**15.305 Parking on left side prohibited.**

No person riding, driving, propelling or in charge of any vehicle shall stop the same upon any street of the city with the left side of such vehicle toward or along the curb, except on duly designated one-way streets. [Sec. 139, Ord. NO. 96]

**15.307 Parking with rear of vehicle to curb.**

No vehicle shall stand backed up to the curb except when actually loading or unloading; but no vehicle shall stand backed up if it interferes with or interrupts the passage of other vehicles. [Sec. 140, Ord. No. 96]

**15.309 Presumption in reference to illegal parking.**

In the prosecution of a violation of any law or regulation governing the standing or parking of a vehicle, proof that the particular vehicle described in the complaint was parked in violation of any such law or regulation, together with proof that the defendant named in the complaint was, at the time of such parking, the registered owner of such vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of such vehicle was the person who parked or placed such vehicle at the point where, and for the time during which, such violation occurred. [Sec. 141, Ord. No. 96]

**15.311 Application of chapter.**

The provisions of this chapter prohibiting the standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times or at those times specified in this chapter or as indicated on official signs, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or official traffic-control device. [Sec. 142, Ord. No. 96]

**15.313 Regulations not exclusive.**

The provisions of this chapter imposing a time limit on parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times. [Sec. 143, Ord. No. 96]

**Regulating the Kinds and Classes of  
Traffic on Certain Streets**

**15.314 Restrictions upon use of certain streets by vehicles in excess of 8,000 pounds; permits;  
penalties.**

1. The following words and phrases when used in this section shall for the purpose of this section have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this subsection:

- (a) "Chief of police" means the chief of police of the city or the person who is designated to be in charge of the city police force.
- (b) "Gross vehicle weight" means the gross weight of the vehicle as it is operated on the streets of the city, including cargo, passengers or goods of lading.
- (c) "Vehicle" means every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails.

2. It is unlawful for any person to drive or operate any vehicle which has a gross vehicle weight in excess of 8,000 pounds upon any of the following named streets within the city without a permit as specified in subsection 3:

- (a) Dartmouth Avenue, between 11th Street and 15th Street.
- (b) Delta Place.
- (c) Elmhurst Avenue.
- (d) Franklin Avenue.
- (e) Grinnel Avenue, between Western Avenue and 15th Street.
- (f) Taylor Way.
- (g) 5th Street, between Dartmouth Avenue and West Broadway Avenue.
- (h) 7th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Dartmouth Avenue, and between Cornell Avenue and West Broadway Avenue.
- (i) 8th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Elmhurst Avenue, and between Dartmouth Avenue and Cornell Avenue.
- (j) 9th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Dartmouth Avenue.
- (k) 11th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Elmhurst Avenue.
- (l) 12th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Cornell Avenue.
- (m) 13th Street, between Central Avenue and Cornell Avenue.
- (n) 14th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Central Avenue.
- (o) 15th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Delta Place.
- (p) 16th Street, between Grinnel Avenue and Delta Place.

3. The chief of police or his designee may issue permits to the operators of vehicles which have a gross vehicle weight in excess of 8,000 pounds, which permits will allow such vehicles to be driven upon the streets specified in subsection 2, for the necessary length of time to load or unload within the city, and each permit shall state specifically the route such vehicle shall use. Such permits may be issued on a yearly basis for vehicles used in connection with a regular delivery service. Any deviation from the terms of such permit is unlawful.

4. Whenever, in any subsection of this section, the doing of any act is required or prohibited or is declared to be unlawful, any person is convicted of a violation of any provision of this section, he shall, for each offense, be punished as provided in section 35.010

[Sec. 1, Ord. No. 134]; [Sec. 2, Ord. No. 134]; [Sec. 3, Ord. No. 134]; [Sec. 4, Ord. No. 134]

### **Miscellaneous Rules**

#### **15.315 Unattended motor vehicles.**

1. No person driving, or in control of, or in charge of, a motor vehicle shall permit it to stand on any street or highway unattended without first effectively setting the brakes thereon and stopping the motor thereof.



2. No person shall leave standing a locked vehicle in which there is any person who cannot readily escape therefrom [Sec. 144, Ord. No. 96]

**15.317 Obstruction to driver's view or driving mechanism.**

No person shall drive a vehicle when it is so loaded, or when there are in the front seat such number of persons, as to obstruct the view of the driver to the front or sides of the vehicle or as to interfere with the driver's control over the driving mechanism of the vehicle.

[Sec. 145, Ord. No. 96]

**15.319 Interference with driver or mechanism of vehicle.**

No person shall willfully interfere with the driver of a vehicle or with the mechanism thereof in such manner as to affect the driver's control of the vehicle.

[Sec. 146, Ord. No. 96]

**15.321 Unlawful riding.**

No person shall ride, and no person driving a motor vehicle shall knowingly permit any person to ride, on any vehicle upon any portion thereof not designed or intended for the use of passengers. This provision does not apply to an employee engaged in the necessary discharge of his duty or to persons riding within or upon vehicle bodies in space intended for any load on such vehicle.

[Sec. 147, Ord. No. 96]

**15.323 Opening and closing vehicle doors.**

No person shall open the door of a motor vehicle on the side available to moving traffic until it is reasonably safe to do so, nor shall any person leave a door open upon the side of a vehicle available to moving traffic for a period of time longer than necessary to load or unload passengers.

[Sec. 148, Ord. No. 96]

**15.325 Coasting prohibited.**

The driver of a motor vehicle when traveling upon any street or highway shall not coast with the gears of such vehicle in neutral.

[Sec. 149, Ord. No. 96]

**15.327 Running over fire or chemical hose.**

1. Except as provided in subsection 2, no person shall drive or propel any vehicle or conveyance upon, over or across, or in any manner damage, any fire hose or chemical hose used by or under the supervision and control of the Lovelock fire department.

2. A vehicle may cross such hose provided suitable jumpers or other appliances are installed to protect such hose.

[Sec. 150, Ord. No. 96]

**15.329 Vehicles carrying explosives, poisonous gases, inflammable or liquefied petroleum gases signs.:**

1. No person shall operate any motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer transporting any explosive substance or poisonous gases as a cargo or part of a cargo, or any motor tank truck, tank trailer or tank semitrailer, used for the transportation of inflammable liquids or liquefied petroleum gases with the tanks thereon, unless at the time of such transportation there is displayed upon each side and the rear of the exterior of such vehicle a sign upon which appears the word "explosives," or "poisonous," or "inflammables," whichever may correctly designate such cargo, in letters not less than 3 inches in height upon a background of sharply contrasting color.

2. The provisions of this section have no application when any such explosive substances, poisonous gases, inflammable liquids or liquefied petroleum gases are transported in a truck or in any trailer or semitrailer attached thereto when such truck and such trailer and semitrailer so attached thereto have prominently displayed on each

side and the rear of the exterior thereof a trademark, trade name, other designating mark, or a legend, substantially descriptive of the type of cargo of such truck, trailer or semitrailer and generally known to the public as being applied to such explosive substance, poisonous gases, inflammable liquids or liquefied petroleum gases.

[Sec. 151, Ord. No. 96]

**15.331 Signs designating fire vehicles.**

It is unlawful to display on any vehicle any sign with the words "fire" or "fire department" except on vehicles owned and operated by the fire department and on privately owned vehicles of any member of the fire department.

[Sec. 152, Ord. No. 96]

**15.333 Putting glass, injurious substance on street or highway prohibited.**

1. No person shall throw or deposit upon any street or highway any glass bottle, glass, nails, tacks, hoops, wire, cans or any other substance likely to injure any person, animal or vehicle upon such street or highway.

2. Any person who drops, or permits to be dropped or thrown, upon any street or highway any destructive or injurious material shall immediately remove the same or cause the same to be removed.

[Sec. 153, Ord. No. 96]

**15.335 Speed contests.**

1. No person shall engage in any motor vehicle speed contest or exhibition of speed on any street and no person shall aid or abet in such motor vehicle speed contest or exhibition on any street.

2. No person shall drive or permit to be driven any vehicle by the side of another vehicle on any street for a time longer than is necessary to pass such other vehicle, except on designated one-way or multiple-lane streets.

[Sec. 154, Ord. No. 96]

**15.337 Authority to sign one-way street and alleys.**

Whenever the Lovelock Municipal Code designates any one-way street or alley, the chief of police shall place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained signs giving notice thereof; and no such regulation shall be effective unless such signs are in place. Signs indicating the direction of lawful traffic movement shall be placed at every intersection where movement of traffic in the opposite direction is prohibited.

[Sec. 155, Ord. No. 96]

**15.339 Throwing any substance at a vehicle, pedestrian.**

No person shall throw any substance at a vehicle or any occupant thereof on any street; and no occupant of any vehicle shall throw any substance at any pedestrian walking or standing upon any street or sidewalk.

[Sec. 156, Ord. no. 96]

**15.341 Passengers on motorcycles.**

It is unlawful for an operator of a motorcycle to carry any other person thereon, except on a seat securely fastened to the machine in the rear of the operator and provided with footrests and handgrips, or in a side car attached to a motorcycle and designed for the purpose of carrying a passenger.

[Sec. 157, Ord. No. 96]

**15.343 Railroad trains not to block streets.**

It is unlawful for the directing officer or the operator of any railroad train to direct the operations of or to operate the same in such a manner as to prevent the use of any street for purposes of travel for a period of time longer than 10 minutes; but this provision does not apply to trains or

cars in motion other than those engaged in switching. At no time shall more than two railroad crossings within the city on any one line of railroad be blocked. [Sec. 158, Ord. No. 96]

**15.345 Speed of railroad trains.**

It is unlawful for any engineer or other persons in charge of, having control of, or directing railroad engines or trains to run, operate, drive or propel such engine or train along any railroad track within the city at a rate of speed greater than 40 miles per hour.

[Sec.1, Ord. No. 117]

**15.347 Boarding or alighting from vehicle in motion.**

1. No person shall board or alight from any vehicle while such vehicle is in motion.

2. Any person riding upon any motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, skis or any toy vehicle shall not attach the same or himself to any moving vehicle upon any street.

[Sec. 159, Ord. No. 96]

**15.349 Driving on sidewalks.**

It is unlawful for any person to ride or drive, or cause to be ridden or driven, any horse or other animal, or to ride, drive or propel, or cause to be driven or propelled, any motor vehicle or bicycle upon or along any sidewalk.

[Sec. 160, Ord. No. 96]

**15.351 Backing of vehicles across a street intersection.**

No person shall back any vehicle across a street intersection. [Sec. 161, Ord. No. 96]

**15.353 Play streets.**

1. The city council has authority to declare 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 such driver shall exercise the greatest care in driving upon any such street or portion thereof.

2. Appropriate signs or devices must designate the street or portion thereof as a play street.

[Sec. 162, Ord. No. 96]

**15.355 Scattering load.**

It is unlawful to operate any vehicle so loaded or constructed that any part of its load is dropped upon the roadway.

[Sec. 163, Ord. No. 96]

**15.357 Zone of quiet.**

It is unlawful for any person to ring any bell or gong or blow any whistle or cause unnecessary noises in a zone of quiet.

[Sec. 164, Ord. No. 96]

**15.359 Sports in streets.**

No person shall engage in any sport, amusement or play in any street which is not designated as a play street.

[Sec. 165, Ord. No. 96]

**15.361 Funeral procession.**

No vehicle shall be driven or propelled through or across any funeral procession passing along or through any street.

[Sec. 166, Ord. No. 96]

**15.363 Driving on new pavements.**

1. No person shall ride, drive or propel, or cause to be ridden, driven or propelled, any horse or vehicle over or across any pavement newly laid or repaired, or which is in the course of construction, around which there has been placed a barrier, or at or near

which there is a person or sign warning persons riding or driving over such pavement, or sign or markings stating that the street is closed.

2. No vehicle shall be driven upon any newly painted roadway or lane markings upon which have been placed any barriers.

3. It is unlawful for any person to ride, drive or propel, or cause or permit to be ridden, driven or propelled, along or upon any paved, macadamized or top-dressed street in the city any vehicle or traction engine any tire of which is worn or is not smooth, or that has a sharp or uneven surface, or any vehicle or traction engine to any tire or wheel of which is attached cleats or spikes or uneven surfaces, or any device that will cause damage to the paving, macadamizing or top-dressing in such street, unless he secures permission from the city council or its designee as to the street or streets such vehicle can be driven on or across. [Sec. 167, Ord. No. 96]

### **Equipment of Vehicles** **Lamps and Other Lighting Equipment**

#### **15.365** When vehicles must be equipped.

Every vehicle upon a street at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise and at any other time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible any person or vehicle on the street shall be equipped with lighted lamps and lighting devices as required in this chapter. [Sec. 168, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.367** Taillights.

1. Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with at least one taillight mounted on the rear which, when lighted, shall emit a red light plainly visible for a distance of 500 feet to the rear.

2. It is unlawful for a taillight to be other than absolute red in color, and no portion of a taillight shall be of another color.

3. No rear lights shall be mounted higher than 60 inches from the ground, nor lower than 24 inches from the ground.

4. A separate lamp shall be so constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light the rear license plate and render it clearly legible from a distance of 50 feet to the rear.

5. No red taillight shall be larger than 4 inches in diameter nor smaller than 2 7/8 inches in diameter. [Sec. 169, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.369** Headlamps on motor vehicles.

1. Every motor vehicle other than a motorcycle or motor-driven cycle at the times specified in section 15.365 shall be equipped with two lighted headlamps, mounted on opposite sides of the front of such vehicle; and they must be located directly above or in advance of the front axle of such vehicle. The headlamps shall be located at a height measured from the center of the headlamps of not more than 54 inches nor less than 24 inches above the level surface upon which the vehicle stands.

2. Every motorcycle at the times specified in section 15.365 shall be equipped with at least one and not more than two headlamps which shall conform to the requirements of this chapter.

3. Every motor-driven cycle at the times specified in section 15.365 shall be equipped with at least one and not more than two lighted headlamps; but in either event when the vehicle is operated at the times mentioned in section 15.365 the headlamp or headlamps shall be of sufficient intensity to reveal a person or vehicle at a distance of not less than 100 feet when the motor-driven cycle is operated at any speed less than 25 miles per hour. [Sec. 170, Ord. No. 96]

**15.371 Lamps on bicycles.**

Every bicycle at the times specified in section 15.365 shall be equipped with a lamp emitting a white light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 300 feet in front of such bicycle and with a red reflector visible for at least 300 feet when directly in front of a motor vehicle displaying lawful undimmed headlights or with a rear lamp exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of 300 feet to the rear. [Sec. 171, Ord. No. 96]

**15.373 Candlepower; dimming.**

1. There shall be an uppermost distribution of light, or composite beam, so aimed and of such intensity as to reveal persons and vehicles at a distance of at least 300 feet ahead for all conditions of loading. The maximum intensity of this uppermost distribution of light or composite beam one degree of arc or more above the horizontal level of the lamps when the vehicle is not loaded shall not exceed 8,000 apparent candlepower, and at no other point of distribution of light or composite beam shall there be intensity of more than 75,000 apparent candlepower.

2. Whenever the driver of a vehicle approaches an oncoming vehicle within 500 feet, such driver shall use a distribution of light composite beam so aimed that the glaring rays are not projected into the eyes of the oncoming driver; and in no case shall the high intensity portion which is projected to the left of the prolongation of the extreme left side of the vehicle be aimed higher than the center of the lamp from which it comes at a distance of 25 feet ahead, and in no case higher than a level of 42 inches above the level upon which the vehicle stands at a distance of 75 feet ahead.

[Sec. 172, Ord. No. 96]

**15.375 Spotlights.**

Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not to exceed two spotlights, and every spotlight shall be so aimed and used when approaching another vehicle that no part of the high intensity portion of the beam will be directed to the left of the prolongation of the extreme left side of the vehicle nor more than 100 feet ahead of the vehicle. [Sec. 173, Ord. No. 96]

**15.377 Fog lamps.**

1. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not to exceed two fog lamps mounted upon the front below the level of the center of the headlamps. Such fog lamps shall be located at a height measured from the centers of such lamps of not less than 16 inches above the level surface upon which the vehicle stands.

2. Fog lamps shall not be used in substitution of headlamps, except under the conditions of rain or fog rendering disadvantageous the use of headlamps.

3. Every fog lamps used upon a motor vehicle shall be so adjusted and aimed that no part of the high intensity portion of the beam shall, at a distance of 25 feet, rise above the horizontal plane passing through the center of the lamp.[Sec. 174, Ord. No. 96]

**15.379 Signal lamps and signal devices.**

1. Every motor vehicle shall at all times be equipped with not less than one stop lamp on the rear, which shall emit a red light and which shall be actuated upon the application of the service (foot) brake and must be visible during normal sunlight and at night time from a distance of 300 feet to the rear.

2. Any vehicle may be equipped with a lamp-type turn-signal system or semaphore turn-signal device capable of clearly indicating any intention to turn to the right or to the left, and any such lamp type signal device shall project a flashing white or amber light.  
[Sec. 175, Ord. No. 96]

**15.381 Backup lamps.**

1. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with a backup lamp, either separately or in combination with another lamp. Such backup lamp shall be so directed as to project a white light illuminating the street to the rear of the vehicle for a distance not to exceed 75 feet.

2. No backup lamp shall exceed a diameter of 6 inches measured across the lens or face thereof, nor shall any such lamp be lighted on any vehicle moving forward or otherwise, except when such vehicle is about to be backed or is backing.  
[Sec. 176, Ord. No. 96]

**15.383 Following with headlights illuminated.**

Whenever the driver of a vehicle follows another vehicle within 200 feet to the rear, such driver shall use a distribution of light.  
[Sec. 177, Ord. No. 96]

**15.385 Flashing lights; prohibited equipment.**

1. Flashing lights are prohibited on motor vehicles except as a means of indicating right or left turns or emergency vehicles.

2. No vehicle shall be equipped with any lamp or illuminating device not required in this chapter.  
[Sec. 178, Ord. No. 96]

**Other Equipment**

**15.387 Brakes.**

1. No person shall operate on any street any motor vehicle or combination of motor vehicle or vehicles of a type subject to registration unless such vehicles, or at least one unit of any such combination of vehicles, is equipped with brakes adequate to bring such vehicle or combination of vehicles to a complete stop when operated upon a dry asphalt or concrete pavement surface where the grade does not exceed 1 percent at speeds set forth in the following table:

<u>Miles Per Hour</u>	<u>Stopping Distances</u>
10.....	9.3 feet
15.....	20.8 feet
20.....	37.0 feet
25.....	58.0 feet

2. Every trailer coach having a weight of 1,500 pounds or more shall be equipped with brakes in compliance with the table contained in subsection 1.

**1.389 Horns or warning devices.**

1. Every motor vehicle when operated upon any street shall be equipped with a horn in good working order and capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 200 feet, but no horn shall emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound.
2. The driver of a motor vehicle when reasonably necessary to insure safe operation shall give audible warning with his horn. Such horn shall not otherwise be used.
3. No vehicle shall be equipped with nor shall any person use upon a vehicle any siren except as authorized by this chapter. [Sec. 180, Ord. No. 96]

**15.391 Mufflers; prevention of noise.**

1. A muffler is a device consisting of chambers of baffle plates or other mechanical design for the purpose of receiving exhaust gas from an internal combustion engine and effective in reducing noise.
2. Every motor vehicle subject to registration and operated on any street shall at all times be equipped with an adequate muffler in constant operation and properly maintained to prevent any excessive or unusual noise. No such muffler or exhaust system shall be equipped with a cutout, bypass or similar device. No person shall modify the exhaust system of a vehicle in a manner which will amplify or increase the noise emitted by the motor of such vehicle above that emitted by the muffler originally installed on the vehicle, and such original muffler shall comply with all of the requirements of this section.
3. All exhaust pipes shall be parallel to the ground and vehicle, or vertical, and, if vertical, the exhaust from such pipes shall not be directed to the side of the vehicle. [Sec. 181, Ord. No. 96]

**15.393 Exhaust products.**

No motor vehicle shall be operated in a manner resulting in the escape of excessive smoke, flame, gas, oil or fuel residue. [Sec. 182, Ord. No. 96]

**15.395 Mirrors.**

All motor vehicles shall be equipped with a mirror so located as to reflect to the driver a view of the street for a distance of at least 200 feet to the rear of such vehicle. [Sec. 183, Ord. No. 96]

**15.397 Windshields and windows.**

It is unlawful to operate any motor vehicle upon any street when the windshield or rear window or other windows are in such a defective condition as to impair the driver's vision. [Sec. 184, Ord. No. 96]

**Inspection of Vehicles**

**15.399 Unlawful to operate vehicle without required equipment or in unsafe condition.**

It is unlawful to operate on any street any vehicle or combination of vehicles which is in an unsafe condition, which is not equipped as required by this chapter, or which is not safely loaded. [Sec. 185, Ord. No. 96]

**15.401 Driver must stop and submit to inspection or test of lamps, other equipment.**

1. Whenever the driver of a vehicle is directed by a police officer to stop and submit the lamps and other equipment to an inspection or test under the conditions stated in this chapter, such driver shall stop and submit to such inspection or test.

2. Any police officer having reasonable grounds to believe that any lamp or other equipment upon a vehicle fails to comply with the requirements of this chapter may require the driver of such vehicle to stop and submit to such inspection or test.

[Sec. 186, Ord. No. 96]

**Impoundment of Vehicles.**

**15.403 Authority to impound vehicles.**

1. City police officers are authorized to remove a vehicle from a street or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety, or to a garage designated or maintained by the city:

(a) When the vehicle is left unattended upon any bridge, viaduct or causeway, or in any tube or tunnel where such vehicle constitutes an obstruction to traffic.

(b) When the vehicle upon any street is so disabled as to constitute an obstruction to traffic.

(c) When the vehicle is left unattended upon a street or is parked illegally.

2. Whenever any vehicle is impounded the owner of the vehicle shall be notified; but if the owner is unable to be notified or if the vehicle is not claimed by the owner within 3 days, written notice of such impoundment shall be given to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

[Sec. 187, Ord. No. 96]

**15.405 Expenses.**

All expenses incurred by the impounding of any vehicle shall be borne by the owner.

[Sec. 188, Ord. No. 96]

**Procedure Upon Arrest**

**15.407 Procedure upon arrest for traffic violation.**

1. The chief of police shall provide a suitable form for notifying violators of this chapter to appear and answer to charges of violating this chapter.

2. Any police officer may take a person arrested for a violation of any provision of this chapter before a magistrate for the fixing of bail or may, in lieu thereof upon making an arrest for a violation of this chapter, take the name, address and driver's license number of the alleged violator and the registration number of the vehicle involved and issue to him in writing on a form provided by the chief of police a notice to answer to the charge or charges against him at a place and time to be specified in such notice. In such event the police officer, upon receiving the written representation of the alleged violator to answer as specified in such notice, shall release such person from custody; or, at the pleasure of the arresting officer, should the violator wish to post bail in the amount specified by the police judge he may do so by appearing before the desk sergeant at the police department.

3. If the offender is not present at the time such police officer views such violation, such notice to the offender may be given by attaching to the vehicle used in connection with the offense, in a conspicuous place thereon or therein, a ticket or tag in such form as may be prescribed by the chief of police.



4. It is unlawful for any person other than the person to whom it is addressed to remove such ticket or tag from such vehicle or for any person to destroy the same prior to the appearance of the person designated therein before the police judge in obedience to the requirement of such ticket or tag. [Sec. 189, Ord. No. 96]

### **Penalties**

#### **15.409 General penalty; continuing violations.**

1. Wherever in any section of this chapter the doing of any act is required or is prohibited or is declared to be unlawful, and no specific fine or penalty is provided for violation thereof, any person who is convicted of a violation of any provision of this chapter shall, for each offense, be punished as provided in section 35.010.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to any section of this chapter in which a specific fine of penalty is expressly provided for its violation.[Sec. 190, Ord. No. 96]

#### **15.411 Amendment of section subject to penalty.**

In case of the amendment of any section of this chapter containing provisions for which a penalty is provided in another section thereof, the penalty so provided in such other section shall be held to relate and apply to the section so amended, whether reenacted in the amendatory ordinance or not, unless specifically provided therein.

[Sec. 191, Ord. No. 96]