

TITLE XV: TRAFFIC REGULATIONS**CHAPTER 150: GENERAL PROVISIONS**

150-1: ILLINOIS VEHICLE CODE; DEFINITIONS ADOPTED. Chapter 1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, 625 ILCS 5/1-100 et seq., entitled "Title and Definitions", as passed, approved and amended by the Illinois General Assembly is hereby adopted by the City, the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the corporate limits of the City. 65 ILCS 5/11-40-1, et seq.

150-2: OBEDIENCE TO POLICE. Members of the Police Department, Special Police, Auxiliary Police and Marshals assigned to traffic duty are hereby authorized to direct all traffic in accordance with the provisions of this Article or in emergencies as public safety or convenience may require, and it shall be unlawful for any person to fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order, signal or direction of a policeman. Except in cases of emergency, it shall be unlawful for any person not authorized by law to direct or attempt to direct traffic.

150-3: SCENE OF FIRE. The Fire Department officer in command or any fireman designated by him may exercise the powers and authority of a policeman in directing traffic at the scene of any fire or where the Fire Department has responded to an emergency call for so long as the Fire Department equipment is on the scene in the absence of or in assisting the Police Department.

150-4: SIGNS AND SIGNALS. It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle to disobey the instructions of any traffic sign or signal placed in view by authority of the corporate authorities or in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois except upon direction of a police officer. All signs and signals established by direction of the governing body shall conform to the Illinois State Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways.

150-5: UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS. No person shall place, maintain or display upon or in view of any street, any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, light, reflector or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic, nor shall any person place, maintain or display upon or in view of any street, any other sign which hides from view or interferes with the movement of traffic or effectiveness of any traffic-control device or any railroad sign or signal, and no person shall place or maintain, nor shall any public authority permit upon any highway, any traffic sign or signal bearing thereon any commercial advertising. No tree, bush or foliage of any kind shall be so placed, maintained, allowed to remain, or be displayed upon either public or private property in such a manner as to hide from view or interfere with the movement of traffic or the effectiveness of any traffic-control device, sign or signal.

150-6: INTERFERENCE WITH SIGNS OR SIGNALS. It shall be unlawful for any person to deface, injure, move or interfere with any official traffic sign or signal.

150-7: ADVERTISING SIGNS. It shall be unlawful to maintain anywhere in the City any sign, signal, marking or device other than a traffic sign or signal authorized by the City Council or the Illinois State Department of Public Works and Buildings, which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control device or railroad sign or signal in view of any street or highway, and it shall be unlawful to place or maintain any sign which hides from view any lawful

traffic-control device. It shall be unlawful to maintain or operate any flashing or rotating beacon of light in view of any street or highway.

150-8: ANIMALS OR BICYCLES. Any person riding a bicycle or an animal or driving any animal drawing a vehicle upon any street shall be subject to the provisions of this Code applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except those provisions which can have no application to one riding a bicycle or driving or riding an animal.

150-9: LAMPS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT ON BICYCLES.

(A) Every bicycle, when in use at nighttime, shall be equipped with a lamp on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred (500) feet to the front and with a red reflector on the rear of a type approved by the Department which shall be visible from all distances of one hundred (100) feet to six hundred (600) feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams of headlights on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector.

(B) A bicycle shall not be equipped with, nor shall any person use any siren upon a bicycle.

(C) Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which will adequately control movement of and stop and hold such bicycle.

(D) No person shall sell a new bicycle or pedal for use on a bicycle that is not equipped with a reflex reflector or conforming to specifications prescribed by the State on each pedal, visible from the front and rear of the bicycle during darkness from a distance of two hundred (200) feet.

(E) No person shall sell or offer for sale a new bicycle that is not equipped with side reflectors. Such reflectors shall be visible from each side of the bicycle from a distance of five hundred (500) feet and shall be essentially colorless or red to the rear of the center of the bicycle and essentially colorless or amber to the front of the center of the bicycle provided. The requirements of this paragraph may be met by reflective materials which shall be at least three-sixteenths (3/16) of an inch wide on each side of each tire or rim to indicate as clearly as possible the continuous circular shape and size of the tires or rims of such bicycle and which reflective materials may be of the same color on both the front and rear tire or rim. Such reflectors shall conform to specifications prescribed by the State.

(F) No person shall sell or offer for sale a new bicycle that is not equipped with an essentially colorless front-facing reflector.

150-10 to 150-11: RESERVED.