

CHAPTER 75: BICYCLES

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§ 75.01 TRAFFIC LAWS APPLY.

Every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this title, except as to special regulations in this title and except as to those provisions of this title which by their nature can have no application. (1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 1)

§ 75.02 MANNER AND NUMBER RIDING.

(A) It is unlawful for any person propelling a bicycle to ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.

(B) No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at 1 time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

(1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 2) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 75.03 HITCHING RIDES.

It is unlawful for any person riding upon any bicycle, coaster, roller skates, sled or toy vehicle to attach the same or himself or herself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

(1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 3) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 75.04 WHERE TO RIDE.

(A) Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

(B) Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway shall ride single file except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

(C) Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such paths and shall not use the roadway.

(1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 4)

§ 75.05 RIGHT-OF-WAY; SIDEWALKS.

Whenever a person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, the person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give audible signal before overtaking and passing the pedestrian; provided, that it is unlawful for any person to ride a bicycle on a sidewalk in a business area.

(1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 5)

§ 75.06 CARRYING ARTICLES.

It is unlawful for any person operating a bicycle to carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the driver from keeping at least 1 hand upon the handle bars.

(1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 6) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 75.07 LIGHTING AND BRAKE EQUIPMENT.

(A) Every bicycle when in use at night time shall be equipped with a lamp on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red reflector on the rear of a type approved by the Department which is visible from all distances from 50 feet to 300 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector.

(B) Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

(1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 7)

§ 75.08 SALE WITH REFLECTORS.

It is unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale any new bicycle unless it is equipped with such reflectors as are prescribed in § 75.07.

(1981 Code, § 7.50, Subd. 8) Penalty, see § 70.99