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CHAPTER 70: GENERAL TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES

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- (A) In the event of a fire or other emergency or when necessary to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, police officers may direct traffic as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter.
- (B) The Police Department will enforce any traffic regulations placed by the Department of Transportation of the state upon any right-of-way of state-maintained road.
 (1994 Code, § 70.02)

§ 70.03 CLINGING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

No person riding upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, or any toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself or herself to any public conveyance or moving vehicle upon any roadway. (1994 Code, § 70.03) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.04 BODY NOT TO PROTRUDE FROM VEHICLE.

No person shall allow any part of his or her body to protrude beyond the limits of the vehicle in which he or she is riding, except to give the signals as by law required, and no person shall hang onto any vehicle whatsoever.

(1994 Code, § 70.04) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.05 USE OF ROLLER SKATES, SKATEBOARDS, AND THE LIKE ON ROADWAYS.

No person upon roller skates, skateboards, scooters, or riding in or by means of any coaster, wagon, toy vehicle, or similar device being propelled solely by momentum or by thrusting of the rider's foot against the ground or pavement shall go upon any

roadway, street, or alley, except while crossing a street at a crosswalk or intersection. (1994 Code, § 70.05) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.06 CLOSED VEHICLES REQUIRED FOR HAULING LOOSE MATERIAL; IMPROPERLY LOADED VEHICLES.

- (A) No person shall haul or carry loose dirt, gravel, shavings, sawdust, or any other substance or material likely to render the streets unclean or unsightly, except in vehicles so closed as to prevent the leakage or dropping of the substance or materials upon the streets or sidewalks.
- (B) No person shall operate upon the town streets a motor vehicle carrying dirt, stone, wood, sand, or paper that is loaded in a manner that its contents are likely to be spilled upon the streets. (1994 Code, § 70.06) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.07 BARRICADES; DRIVING PAST, AROUND, OR OVER.

No person shall drive any vehicle or animal past, around, or over any barricade lawfully placed upon any street by town officials or employees, which street has been closed by the barricades, except by consent of persons authorized to give the consent. (1994 Code, § 70.07) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.08 REMOVING OR DESTROYING BARRICADES.

No person, other than an employee of the town, shall remove, tear down, or destroy any barricade that has been erected by the town.

(1994 Code, § 70.08) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.09 OBSTRUCTING INTERSECTIONS OR CROSSWALKS.

No driver shall enter an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other

side of the intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle he or she is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians, notwithstanding any traffic-control signal indication to proceed.

(1994 Code, § 70.09) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.10 DRIVING THROUGH FUNERAL PROCESSIONS.

No vehicle shall be driven through a funeral procession except Fire Department vehicles, police patrols, and ambulances when the same are responding to calls.

(1994 Code, § 70.10) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.11 PROHIBITED VEHICLES ON TOWN PROPERTY.

It shall be unlawful to ride or operate any bicycle, scooter, skateboard, go-cart, moped, motorcycle, or similar conveyance on any town park, recreational facility, or other town property where duly erected signs prohibiting the activities are in place and clearly visible by the public.

(Ord. passed 4-5-1994) Penalty, see § 70.99

TRUCK TRAFFIC ON TOWN STREETS

§ 70.25 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of §§ 70.25 et seq., the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

CARGO. Any property transported by truck.

OPERATOR. The person physically operating a truck or person therein and directing its operation.

TRUCK or **TRUCKS**. Any motor vehicle used or designed to be used for the transportation of cargo and

passengers, including, but not limited to the following: inter-city buses; truck-drawn trailers when the truck is designed primarily for use in towing a trailer. The following motor vehicles are excluded from this meaning: passenger automobiles; pick-up trucks; vehicle drawn trailers when the vehicle drawing the trailer is not designed primarily for drawing a trailer; motorcycles; motor scooters; school and church buses; emergency vehicles; maintenance trucks belonging to the Town of Long View or public utilities.

TRUCK ROUTE. All U.S. highways, N.C. highways, or other state-maintained highways within the town limits, those town streets designated by signs, or town streets not designated as prohibiting truck traffic.

(Ord. 05-97, passed 6-24-1997)

§ 70.26 DESIGNATION OF TOWN STREETS PROHIBITING TRUCKS AND ALLOWING TRUCKS.

- (A) The Board of Aldermen shall cause all town streets upon which truck traffic is prohibited to be clearly posted by appropriate signs.
- (B) No person shall be charged with violating the provisions of §§ 70.25 et seq. unless appropriate signs are posted on the street on which truck traffic is prohibited.

(Ord. 05-97, passed 6-24-1997; Am. Ord. passed 6-28-2010; Am. Ord. CO-03-2010, passed 11-8-2010)

§ 70.27 MOVEMENT OF TRUCKS WITHIN TOWN LIMITS.

Trucks restricted on certain streets.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate a truck having a gross weight of greater than 7500 pounds (3¾ tons) over or upon any of the streets listed in Chapter 72, Schedule II.

(B) Trucks excluded from these restrictions include town vehicles, vehicles contracted by the town and school buses.

(Ord. 05-97, passed 6-24-1997; Am. Ord. passed 6-28-2010; Am. Ord. CO-03-2010, passed 11-8-2010) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.28 TOWN CLERK TO MAINTAIN SCHEDULES OR MAPS OF TRUCK ROUTES.

The Town Clerk shall keep and maintain accurate schedules or maps setting forth where truck traffic is prohibited. The schedules or maps shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk and made available to the public.

(Ord. 05-97, passed 6-24-1997; Am. Ord. passed 6-28-2010; Am. Ord. CO-03-2010, passed 11-8-2010)

TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES

§ 70.40 COMPLIANCE REQUIRED.

The driver of any vehicle shall obey the directions of any official traffic-control device applicable thereto and placed in accordance with this chapter, unless otherwise directed by a police officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in this chapter. (1994 Code, § 70.15) Penalty, see § 70.99

§ 70.41 WHEN SIGNS REQUIRED FOR ENFORCEMENT.

No provision of this subchapter for which signs are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator if, at the time and place of the alleged violation, an official sign is not in proper position and sufficiently legible to an ordinarily observant person.

Whenever a particular section does not state that signs are required, the section shall be effective without signs being placed to give notice thereof. (1994 Code, § 70.16)

§ 70.99 PENALTY.

- (A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no specific penalty is prescribed shall be subject to § 10.99.
- (B) If any person shall violate an ordinance regulating the operation or parking of vehicles, he or she shall be responsible for an infraction and shall be required to pay a penalty of not more than \$50. (G.S. § 14-4(b))
- (C) (1) Any law enforcement officer of the town is hereby empowered to enforce the provisions of §§ 70.25 et seq.
- (2) Any truck deviating from a designated truck route and operating on a town street posted as prohibiting trucks shall subject the operator of the truck to a fine of \$50 in addition to the costs of the court and shall be a misdemeanor.
- (3) Law enforcement officers may require truck operators to show a bill of lading or other proof of destination.
- (4) A warning shall be issued to violators during the first 60 days after enactment. (Ord. 05-97, passed 6-24-1997)

CHAPTER 71: GENERAL PARKING REGULATIONS

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General Provisions

GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 71.01 TITLE.

This chapter shall be known as the "Parking Ordinance" of the town. (1994 Code, § 71.01) (Ord. passed 8-3-03)

§ 71.02 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

DESIGNATED STREETS. Any street way which has been dedicated for public use.

LOADING ZONE. An area as the Police Department may designate for use by commercial vehicles or for business use.

MOTOR VEHICLE. Every vehicle that is self-propelled and every vehicle designed to run upon the highways that is pulled by a self-propelled vehicle. This term shall not include mopeds as defined by state statute.

NO PARKING ZONE. Any area on or off designated streets which are so defined and designated by appropriate signs erected by the Police Department of the town.

TICKET. A written notice to the registered or actual owner of any vehicle that the vehicle has been parked in violation of this chapter.

VEHICLE.

- (1) Every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, excepting devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon fixed rails or tracks; provided, that for the purposes of this chapter, "bicycles" shall be deemed vehicles and every rider of a bicycle upon a highway shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter applicable to the driver of a vehicle except those that by their nature can have no application.
- (2) This term shall not include a device that is designed for and intended to be used as a means of transportation for a person with a mobility impairment, is suitable for use both inside and outside

a building, and whose maximum speed does not exceed 12 mph when the device is being operated by a person with a mobility impairment.

(1994 Code, § 71.02) (Ord. passed 8-3-03) Statutory reference:

Definitions applicable to motor vehicles, see § G.S. 20-4.01

§ 71.03 AUTHORITY OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.

- (A) The Police Department, under the supervision and direction of the Board of Alderpersons, from time to time may designate parking spaces in which vehicles may be parked and also may designate loading zones for commercial vehicles. In cases involving designated spaces or loading zones, parking in those areas shall be exempt from this chapter.
- (B) The Police Department may grant temporary parking which otherwise would be in violation, for special occurrences or circumstances, on a temporary basis. In those cases, the parking would not be a violation of this chapter.

(1994 Code, § 71.03) (Ord. passed 8-3-03; Am. Ord. passed 6-22-1993)

§ 71.04 TICKETS.

- (A) Any person found in violation of this chapter shall be issued a ticket stating thereon the notice of a violation, the amount of the fine, if paid within 5 days, and the action to be taken in the event the fine is not paid.
- (B) Tickets shall be worded and printed under the direction of the Police Department, subject to the limitation that the parking fine, if paid within 5 days, shall be limited to the amount of \$15 per violation.
- (C) The registered owner of the vehicle shall be considered the violator of this chapter and liable for the payment of the parking fine.
 (1994 Code, § 71.04) (Ord. passed -; Am. Ord. passed 8-3-03) Penalty, see § 71.99

OFFENSES

§ 71.15 PARKING IN NO PARKING ZONES.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in a No Parking zone designated in the town. (1994 Code, § 71.15) (Ord. passed 8-3-03) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.16 BLOCKING STREETS.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or place an object on any street, alley way, or public way so as to block any lane of traffic located in the street or public way located in the town. (1994 Code, § 71.16) (Ord. passed 8-3-03) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.17 PARKING OF VEHICLES THAT WEIGH MORE THAN 1 TON.

It shall be unlawful for any firm, person, or corporation to park or allow to be parked on any public street or highway for a continuous period of more than 1 hour any vehicle with more than a 1-ton rating, including straight trucks, tractors, trailers, and vans.

(1994 Code, § 71.17) (Ord. passed 5- -1978) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.18 PARKING PROHIBITED FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

No person shall stand or park a vehicle upon any street for the principal purpose of:

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

- (D) Storage of any detached trailer or van, when the towing unit has been disconnected or for the purpose of transferring merchandise or freight from one vehicle to another; and/or
- (E) Advertising. (1994 Code, § 71.18) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.19 STOPPING IN STREET.

No person shall stop any vehicle in any street so as to obstruct any footway, pedestrian aisle, safety zone, crossing, or street intersection, if the same can be avoided.

(1994 Code, § 71.19) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.20 STANDING NOT TO INTERFERE WITH OTHER VEHICLES.

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

(1994 Code, § 71.20) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.21 METHOD OF PARKING.

- (A) Generally. Where not otherwise indicated by this chapter and where the street is not marked with lines to show how vehicles shall park, all vehicles shall park parallel to the curb and not more than 12 inches therefrom.
- (B) Vehicle backed up to curb. In no case shall a vehicle remain backed up to the curb, except when actually loading or unloading.
- (C) Left side of curb. No vehicle shall stop with its left side to the curb. Vehicles shall stop headed in the direction of traffic.

(1994 Code, § 71.21) (Ord. passed 6-22-1993) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.99 PENALTY.

- (A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no penalty is prescribed shall be subject to § 70.99.
- (B) Any violation for which the parking fine is not paid in the time prescribed in this code or in any other applicable ordinance of the town shall result in issuance of a warrant and for the purpose of the warrant, the violation shall be considered a misdemeanor and subject the violator to a fine of not more than \$50 for each offense plus any court costs. (1994 Code, § 71.99) (Ord. passed 8-3-03)
- (C) Anyone violating § 71.17 shall be fined \$15 for each hour as specified by a parking ticket, the form of which and method of payment shall be in the discretion of the Police Chief. Failure to pay the fine shall result in issuance of a warrant and for the purpose of the warrant, the violation shall be considered a misdemeanor.

(1994 Code, § 71.99) (Ord. passed 8-3-03; Am. Ord. 13-03, passed 9-2-2003)

CHAPTER 72: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES

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SCHEDULE I. SPEED LIMITS.

(A) The speed limit shall be 20 mph at the following locations:

Description	
2nd Ave SW from 27th St SW to 30th St SW	
30th St SW from 1st Ave to 2nd Ave SW	

(Ord. CO-02-2010, passed 6-28-2010)

(B) The speed limit shall be 25 mph at the following locations:

Description	
Main Ave Dr NW from 23rd St NW to 26th St NW	
29th St Pl SW from 2nd Ave SW to 6th Ave SW	
29th St SW from 4th Ave SW to 6th Ave SW	
6th Ave SW from 29th St SW to 29th St Pl SW	
30th St SW from 2nd Ave Pl SW to 31st St SW	
31st St SW from 2nd Ave SW to 30th St SW	
15th Ave SW from 33rd St SW to 1580 32nd St SW (Southwest Elementary)	
37th St SW from 2nd Ave SW to 829 27th St SW (Dead End)	

Description

28th St NW from Main Ave NW to 1st Ave NW

28th St SW from US Hwy 70 to 2nd Ave SW behind Shuford Mills and Shuford Yarns

31st SW south from 1st Ave SW to 2nd Ave SW

(Am. Ord. CO-02-2010, passed 6-28-2010; Am. Ord. CO-05-2014; passed 2-9-2015)

(C) The speed limit shall be 35 mph at the following locations:

Description

1st Ave SW from 23rd St SW to 25th Pl SW

8th Ave NW (SR 1313) from 27th St NW (SR 1307) to the eastern corporate limit at SR 1305

(Ord. CO-01-2014, passed 10-13-2014; Am. Ord. CO-03-2014)

(D) The speed limit shall be 45 mph at the following locations:

Description

1st Avenue southwest (SR 1007) from 39th Street southwest to a point 0.05 mile west of 28th Street southwest

(Am. Ord. 7, passed 12-2-1975; Am. Ord. CO-03-2014, passed 12-8-2014)

(E) The speed limit shall be 55 mph at the following locations:

Description

Highway U.S. 70 from the western corporate limit to a point 0.08 mile east of 33rd Street southwest (SR 1124) to the southern corporate limit, a point 0.27 mile west of 22nd Street southwest (SR 1196)

Highway U.S. 70 from a point 0.20 mile west of SR 1196 to SR 1196, the eastern corporate limit of the town

(Ord. 2, passed 12-4-1984; Am. Ord. 3, passed 12-4-1984; Am. Ord. CO-01-2014, passed 10-13-2014) Penalty, see § 70.99

SCHEDULE II. TRUCK ROUTES.

The following streets will be designated as "No Thru Truck" routes:

Description		
27th St SW from 2nd Ave SW to 5th Ave SW		
2nd Ave SW from 37th ST SW to 36 to St SW		
23rd St SW 13th Ave SW to 15th Ave SW		
36th St SW from 1st Ave SW to 2nd Ave SW		
1st Ave NW from house number 1921 1st Ave NW to house number 1851 1st Ave NW		
19th St NW from 1st Ave NW to house number 164 19th St NW		
1st Ave NW from 28th St NW to house number 3043 1st Ave NW		
30th St NW from 40 30th St NW to 1st Ave NW		
3rd Ave NW from 27th St NW to 25th St NW		
5th Ave NW from 26th St NW to 23th St NW		
5th Ave NW from 23rd St NW to 20th St NW		
4th Ave NW from 23rd St NW to 25th St NW		
4th Ave NW from 23rd St NW to 20th St NW		
3rd Ave NW from 19th St NW to 20th St NW		
3rd Ave NW from 23rd St NW to 20th St NW		
2nd Ave SW from 33rd St SW to 29th St Pl SW		
4th Ave SW from 26th St SW to 29th St Pl SW		
28th St NW from a point 607 feet North of the railroad tracks to the intersection with 1st Ave NW		
19th St SW from 8th Ave SW to 3rd Ave SW		
31st SW from 1st Ave SW to 30th St SW		
30th St SW from 2nd Ave South to 31st St SW		

(Ord. CO-02, passed 6-28-2010; Am. Ord. CO-01-2011, passed 2-14-2011; Am. Ord. CO-03-2011, passed 9-12-2011; Am. Ord. CO-04-2011, passed 2-12-2011; Am. Ord. CO-03-2014, passed 12-8-2014) Penalty, see § 70.99