

## CHAPTER 2

### GENERAL TRAFFIC PROVISIONS

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10-2-1: **CLASSIFICATION OF VEHICLES:** For the purpose of this Title, motor vehicles shall be divided into two (2) divisions: First, vehicles which are designed for the carrying of not more than seven (7) passengers; second, those vehicles which are designed and used for pulling or carrying freight and also vehicles designed and used for carrying more than seven (7) persons.

10-2-2: **OBEDIENCE TO POLICE:** Members of the Police Department are hereby authorized to direct all traffic in accordance with the provisions of this Title, 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 case of emergency.

10-2-3: **TRAFFIC AT 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 any emergency call for so long as Fire Department equipment is on the scene in the absence of or in assisting the police.

10-2-4: **ANIMALS, BICYCLES, OR SKATEBOARDS:** Every 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 Title 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; provided, however, that except in business districts, bicycles may be ridden on sidewalks. The riding of skateboards on the sidewalks of the business district or on any street shall be prohibited.

10-2-5: SNOWMOBILES: Definitions. 3-3-75

- (a) Snowmobile. A self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice in a natural terrain steered by wheels, skis or runners.
- (b) Operate. To control the operation of a snowmobile.
- (c) Operator. A person who operates or is in actual control of a snowmobile.

10-2-5-1: Equipment Required. All snowmobiles operated within the Village shall have the following equipment:

- (a) Mufflers which are properly attached and which reduce the noise of operation of the vehicle to the minimum noise necessary for operating the vehicle and no person shall use a muffler cut-out, by-pass or similar device on said vehicle.
- (b) Adequate brakes in good working condition and at least one headlight and one taillight.
- (c) A safety or so-called "dead man" throttle in operating condition; a safety or "dead man" throttle is defined as a device which when pressure is removed from the accelerator or throttle causes the motor to be disengaged from driving track.

10-2-5-2: Regulations. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile under the following circumstances:

- (a) On private property of another without the express permission to do so by the owner or occupant of said property.
- (b) On public school grounds, park property, playgrounds, and recreational areas without express provision or permission to do so by the proper public authority.

(c) In a manner so as to create loud, unnecessary or unusual noise so as to disturb or interfere with the peace and quiet of other persons.

(d) In a careless, reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger the safety of any person or the property of any other person.

(e) Without having such snowmobile registered as provided for by statute except that this provision shall not apply to the operation of a snowmobile on the private property of the owner by the owner or a member of his immediate family.

(f) Within the right-of-way of any public street within the Village unless the operator shall have a valid driver's license, or is accompanied by a licensed driver, who is actually occupying a seat in the vehicle.

(g) Within the right-of-way of any public street within the Village between the following hours:

Monday-Thursday.....11:00 P.M. - 6:00 A.M.

Friday-Sunday..... 1:00 A.M. - 6:00 A.M.

(h) For two or more snowmobiles to be operated abreast in the right-of-way of any public street within the Village.

(i) At a speed of more than fifteen (15) miles per hour within the Village.

(j) For a snowmobile operator to use any but the most direct route within the Village from his point of entry or departure to his destination point.

10-2-5-3: Unattended Vehicles. It is unlawful for the owner or operator to leave or allow a snowmobile to be or remain unattended on public property while the motor is running or with the keys for starting the vehicle left in the ignition.

10-2-5-4: Traffic Regulations. Each person operating a snowmobile shall strictly observe all traffic signs and signals and all other traffic rules and regulations applicable thereto, and shall obey the orders and directions of any police officer of the Village authorized to direct or regulate traffic.

10-2-5-5: No all-terrain vehicles shall be operated upon any street or alley of the Village of Dakota.

10-2-6: **EXEMPTIONS:** The provisions of this Title regulating the movement or parking of vehicles shall not apply to emergency vehicles while the driver thereof is engaged in the performance of emergency duties. Nor shall such provisions apply to persons actually engaged in repairing or otherwise improving the streets under authority of the Board of Trustees or of the State of Illinois.