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Section 10.64.110 Serial number required.

No bicycle retailer shall sell any new bicycle in the City unless such bicycle has permanently stamped or cast on its frame a serial number unique to the particular bicycle of each manufacturer. Serial numbers shall be stamped or cast in the head of the frame, either side of the seat down-post tube, the rear dropout, the toe plate, or the bottom sprocket bracket. (Ord. 4236 § 12, 1975; Ord. 4234 § 12, 1975; prior code § 8.13)

Section 10.64.120 Retail sales--Information required.

A. Each bicycle retailer within the City shall supply to each purchaser a record of the following information: name of retailer, address of retailer, year and make of bicycle, and serial number of bicycle.

B. It shall be the duty of each bicycle retailer to keep, at the place of business, a record of all bicycles bought, sold or rented by him, giving an accurate description of such bicycles, including year, make, type, model and serial number; from whom received, together with his address; to whom sold or rented, together with his address; and the date of any such transactions. This record shall be kept in a legible manner in a well-bound uniform book, which shall be open to the inspection of the Police Department and Finance Department during regular business hours. (Ord. 4236 § 13, 1975; Ord. 4234 § 13, 1975; prior code § 8.14)

Section 10.64.130 Removal, destruction, or alteration of serial number.

No person shall willfully or maliciously remove, destroy, mutilate or alter the serial number on any bicycle, except in the event that the bicycle is dismantled and no longer operated upon any streets, alleys, lanes, parks, or other public places within the City. (Ord. 7229 § 16, 2013; Ord. 4236 § 14, 1975; Ord. 4234 § 14, 1975; prior code § 8.15)

Section 10.64.140 Seizure--Period of retention--Redemption.

It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police or any police officer of the City to seize and take into his possession any bicycle kept or used within the City in violation of any provisions of this chapter or found abandoned within the City. Such bicycle shall be kept for a period of not less than thirty days unless the owner or person entitled to possession thereof redeems the same by paying the sum of one dollar, which is the cost of seizure, storage and safekeeping of the bicycle. (Ord. 7229 § 16, 2013; Ord. 4236 § 15, 1975; Ord. 4234 § 15, 1975; prior code § 8.16)

Section 10.64.150 Sale when unredeemed--Disbursement of proceeds.

If a bicycle seized as provided in Section 10.64.140 is not redeemed within thirty days, it shall be the duty of the Chief of Police to sell the bicycle at public auction, and from the proceeds of the sale to pay the license charge and the sum of one dollar which is the cost of seizure, storage and keeping of the bicycle, and to pay the cost of sale, including cost of publication and giving notice of sale. Notice of such sale shall be given to the owner, if the name and address of the owner is known, or if the same can be ascertained with ordinary diligence. Personal service or service by registered or certified mail shall be made at least ten days before the date of sale. If the owner or his address cannot be ascertained by ordinary diligence, notice of sale shall be given by publication once in a newspaper of general circulation published within the City, such notice to be given at least ten days before the date of sale. Any excess of the auction price obtained over and above the license fee and expenses herein mentioned shall be returned to the owner, if known; and if the owner or his address is unknown, said excess shall be paid into the treasury of the City. The collection and disbursement of all moneys herein referred to shall be done in accordance with the general accounting procedure of the City. (Ord. 4236 § 16, 1975; Ord. 4234 § 16, 1975; prior code § 8.17)

Section 10.64.160 Downtown business district defined.

"Downtown business district" of the City means that area of the City bounded on the west by Brockton Avenue, on the east by Lime Street, on the north by Third Street and on the south by Fourteenth Street, from the centerline of each street. (Ord. 7229 § 16, 2013; Prior code § 8.18)

Section 10.64.170 Parking in rack required on downtown business district sidewalks.

It is unlawful for any person to leave a bicycle upon any improved sidewalk within the downtown business district of the City unless such bicycle is standing in a rack or receptacle for the parking of bicycles as provided in this chapter, if such rack or receptacle is available within a distance of one hundred fifty feet. (Ord. 7229 § 16, 2013; Prior code § 8.19)

Section 10.64.180 Construction, placement and location of racks.

The owner or occupant of any place of business on the ground floor of a building in the downtown business district of the City may place a bicycle rack or receptacle for the parking of bicycles in front of his place of business; provided, however, that such racks are placed, kept and maintained at a location on the sidewalk in front of the place of business designated by the Public Works Director/Department for which a permit has been issued by the Public Works Director/Department. (Ord. 7229 § 16, 2013; Prior code § 8.20)

Section 10.64.225 Bicycle storage lockers.

Bicycle storage lockers owned or operated by the City shall only be used for the storage of bicycles by persons granted permission by City upon payment of such annual rental fee and key deposit as may be established by resolution of the City Council. It shall be unlawful to use the bicycle storage locker for the storage of any other items except as incidental to the storage of the bicycle. (Ord. 5893 § 1, 1991)

Section 10.64.230 Traffic laws apply to persons riding bicycles.

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 the laws of this State declaring rules of the road applicable to vehicles or by the traffic ordinances of this City applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except as to special regulations in this article and except as to those provisions of laws and ordinances which by their nature can have no application. (Ord. 2940 § 11.1, 1961)

Section 10.64.240 Obedience to traffic control devices.

A. Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic control signals, signs and other control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

B. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or "U" turn is permitted, no person operating a bicycle shall disobey the direction of any such sign, except where such person dismounts from the bicycle to make any such turn, in which event such person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.

C. When signs or markings are placed on any street or sidewalk giving notice that a portion of that street or sidewalk has been designated as a bicycle lane, no person shall drive, park, or operate any vehicle or any bicycle in any manner contrary to the directions posted on such signs. (Ord. 4113 § 2, 1974; Ord. 2940 § 11.2, 1961)

Section 10.64.250 Prohibited conduct when riding on bicycles.

A. A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.

B. No person operating a bicycle upon a highway shall permit any person to ride on the handlebars.

C. No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped. (Ord. 2940 § 11.3, 1961; prior code § 19.6-1)

Section 10.64.260 Riding on roadways and bicycle paths.

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 not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

C. Wherever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such path and shall not use the roadway, except those roadways designated by resolution of the City Council. This provision shall not apply to sidewalks, parkways or other areas unless specifically designated for the use of bicycles by official signs. (Ord. 6221 § 4, 1995; Ord. 5923 § 1, 1991; Ord. 2940 § 11.4, 1961)

Section 10.64.265 Designation of bicycle lanes.

The streets or portions of streets designated for bicycle lanes and the days and times of such designation as bicycle lanes shall be established by resolution of the City Council, and such bicycle lanes shall be marked and signed appropriately. (Ord. 6221 § 5, 1995; Ord. 5251 § 1, 1985; Ord. 5002 § 1, 1982; Ord. 4891 § 1, 1981; Ord. 4465 § 1, 1977; Ord. 4327 § 1, 1976; Ord. 4294 § 1, 1976; Ord. 4177 § 1, 1974; Ord. 4156 § 1, 1974; Ord. 4133 § 1, 1974; Ord. 4113 § 1, 1974)

Section 10.64.267 Designation of bicycle lanes wherein parking is permitted.

The streets or portions of streets designated for bicycle lanes on which parking shall be permitted at all times shall be established by resolution of the City Council, and such bicycle lanes shall be marked and signed appropriately. (Ord. 6221 § 6, 1995; Ord. 4462 § 1, 1977)

Section 10.64.270 Speed.

No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent having due regard for the traffic on, and the surface and width of, the street, and in no event at a speed which endangers the safety of persons or property. (Ord. 2940 § 11.5, 1961)

Section 10.64.280 Emerging from alley or driveway.

The operator of a bicycle emerging from an alley, driveway or building shall, upon approaching a sidewalk or the sidewalk area extending across any alleyway, yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians approaching on the sidewalk or sidewalk area, and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on the roadway. (Ord. 2940 § 11.6, 1961)

Section 10.64.290 Carrying articles.

No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the operator from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars. (Ord. 2940 § 11.7, 1961; prior code § 19.6-2)

Section 10.64.300 Parking.

No person shall park a bicycle upon a street, unless a bike corral is designated and established, other than upon the roadway against the curb or upon the sidewalk in a rack to support the bicycle or against a building or at the curb, in such manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic. (Ord. 7362 § 3, 2017; Ord. 2940 § 11.8, 1961)

Section 10.64.310 Riding on sidewalks.

Except for authorized police bicycle patrols, no person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk or parkway unless signs are erected permitting use of such sidewalk or parkway by bicycles. (Ord. 7247 § 1, 2014; Ord. 7229 § 16, 2013; Ord. 5924 § 1, 1991; Ord. 2940 § 11.9, 1961)

Section 10.64.320 Hitching rides.

No person riding upon any bicycle, coaster, roller skates, sled or toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself to any streetcar or vehicle on the roadway. (Ord. 2940 § 11.10, 1961; prior code § 19.6-3)

Section 10.64.330 Keep to right.

Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction. (Ord. 2940 § 11.11, 1961; prior code § 19.6-4)

Section 10.64.340 Equipment requirements.

A. Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make one braked wheel skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

B. No person shall operate on the highway any bicycle equipped with handlebars so raised that the operator must elevate his hands above the level of his shoulders in order to grasp the normal steering grip area.

C. No person shall operate upon any highway a bicycle which has been modified or altered in such a way as to cause the pedal in its lowermost position to be more than twelve inches above the ground.

D. Every bicycle operated upon any highway during darkness shall be equipped with a lamp emitting a white light visible from a distance of three hundred feet in front of the bicycle and with a red reflector on the rear of a type approved by the department which shall be visible from a distance of three hundred feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from three hundred feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector. (Ord. 2940 § 11.12, 1961; prior code § 19.6-5)