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Article I. In General.

Sec. 5-1. Definitions.

For the purposes of this Chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this Section:

Bicycle means a vehicle with two tandem wheels, neither of which is less than 16 inches (16”) in diameter, with solid or pneumatic tires, having a steering bar or wheel and a saddle seat, and propelled by human power.

Dealer in bicycles means any person engaged in the sale of bicycles at retail or wholesale.

Licensee means any person who procures from the office of the Village Manager a license plate for a bicycle, together with a registration card accompanying same.

License plate means decal issued by the Village Manager, bearing the license number.

Operate or any form or tense thereof shall mean and refer to the use, putting into action or causing to function of a bicycle by a person mounted thereon.

Rental agency means any person engaged in the business of offering for rental and renting bicycles for hire by the public.

In addition to the above definitions, any applicable definitions of Chapter 11 of this Code shall be deemed to be included in this Section. (Ord. 62-4851)

Sec. 5-2. Inspections of License Plate, Mechanical Condition, etc.

Any member of the police department is authorized to inspect any bicycle, at any reasonable time, for the purpose of making a checkup of the license plate, license number and serial number, and for the purpose of determining the mechanical condition of the bicycle. (Ord. 62-48, 58)

Sec. 5-3. Removal, Destruction, etc., of Serial Number, License Plate or Registration Card; Stamping Where Serial Number Does Not Exist or is Illegible, etc.

It shall be unlawful for any person, wilfully or maliciously, to remove, destroy, mutilate or alter the serial number of any bicycle licensed under this Chapter or to remove, destroy, mutilate or alter any license plate or registration card during the time in which the license plate or registration card is in force. The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to stamp numbers on the frame of a bicycle, in a legible manner for identification purposes, upon which no serial number can be found

or upon which the serial number is illegible or insufficient for identification purposes. (Ord. 62-48,58)

Sec. 5-4. Purchase or Acquisition of Bicycle without Serial Number to be Reported to Chief of Police.

It shall be unlawful for any person residing in the Village, or any dealer in bicycles operating in the Village, to purchase, receive in trade or otherwise acquire any bicycle from which the serial number on the frame has been removed, destroyed, mutilated or altered, without first reporting the same to the Chief of Police. (Ord. 62-48)

Sec. 5-5. Use without Consent of Owner.

It shall be unlawful for any person to use or operate any bicycle within the Village without the consent of the owner. (Ord. 62-48)

Sec. 5-6. Enforcement of Chapter.

The Chief of Police shall enforce the provisions of this Chapter. (Ord. 62-48)

Sec. 5-7. Required Equipment.

- (A) **Brakes.** Every bicycle operated upon a street or highway shall be equipped with a brake adequate to control its movement and to stop such bicycle when necessary.
- (B) **Lamps and reflectors.** Every bicycle shall be equipped with a lamp on the front exhibiting a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet (500') to the front and with a lamp on the rear exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of five hundred feet (500') to the rear; except, that a red reflector not less than one and one half inches (1 ½") in diameter may be used instead of a rear light.
- (C) **Audible signal.** No person shall ride a bicycle unless it is equipped with a bell or other device capable of giving a signal audible for a distance of at least one hundred feet (100'); except, that no bicycle shall be equipped with nor shall any person use upon a bicycle any siren or whistle. (Ord. 62-58)

Article II. Operations.

Sec. 5-8. Applicability of Traffic Regulations; Responsibility of Parents and Guardians.

Every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway shall be subject to the provisions of this Code regulating traffic upon the streets, applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except as to special regulations of this article and except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application. The provisions of this Chapter and Chapter 11 governing the operation of bicycles shall apply whenever any bicycle is operated upon any street or highway or on any public path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles. The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not

authorize or knowingly permit any such child or ward to violate any of the provisions of this Chapter. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-9. Manner of Riding Generally.

A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than upon the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, nor carry any other person upon such bicycle other than upon a firmly attached and regular seat thereon, nor shall any person ride upon a bicycle other than as authorized in this article. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-10. Number of Persons Carried.

No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-11. Operating on Sidewalk.

Bicycles may be operated on sidewalks in public parks and in residence districts, but in single file only. Under all circumstances, the rider shall yield the right of way to pedestrians using the sidewalk, and due and proper care shall at all times be exercised by the rider for the pedestrians. When approaching a pedestrian on the sidewalk, the speed of a bicycle shall be reduced to a speed which is no greater than necessary to continue the operation of the bicycle without the rider dismounting and shall not be increased until the pedestrian has been passed.

No bicycle shall be operated upon any sidewalk in the business portion of the Village. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-12. Speed; Operation with Regard to Safety of Rider, etc.

No bicycle shall be operated at any time faster than is reasonable or proper, and every bicycle shall be operated with reasonable regard to the safety of the rider and of other persons and property. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-13. Riding Abreast.

When more than two (2) persons in a group are operating bicycles on a roadway, they shall not ride abreast. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-14. Carrying Packages, Bundles, etc.

No person riding a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the rider from keeping both hands upon the handlebars. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-15. Acrobatics and Racing.

No rider of a bicycle shall remove both hands from the handlebars or both feet from the pedals, or practice any acrobatic or fancy riding on any street, nor shall any person operating a bicycle upon a public highway, participate in any race for speed or endurance contest with any other vehicle, except under a permit from and under the supervision of the Chief of Police. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-16. Emerging from Alleys, Driveways, etc.

The operator of a bicycle emerging from an alley, driveway, garage or private sidewalk shall stop the bicycle immediately prior to driving onto or across a public sidewalk or onto or across a public sidewalk line projected across an alley and shall exercise extreme care in making such movements. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-17. Operation While Intoxicated, under Influence of Drugs, etc.

No person shall operate a bicycle while under the influence of liquor or drugs or while physically or mentally unfit to safely operate the same. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-18. Turns; Starting, Slowing Down or Stopping.

The operator of a bicycle on a roadway, when making a right turn, shall follow the right-hand edge of the roadway, and the operator of a bicycle on a roadway, when making a left turn, shall approach the point of turning in the traffic lane nearest the center of the roadway. No operator of a bicycle shall start, slow down, stop or attempt to turn without first indicating such movement as provided by law. (Ord. 62-58)

Sec. 5-19. Parking.

Bicycles, when parked in the business district, shall be parked in zones or places designated and marked for that purpose. It shall be unlawful to park any bicycle along buildings in such a manner as to interfere with pedestrians or along roadways where they may interfere with traffic or with persons getting into or out of motor vehicles. No person, other than the owner or operator, shall move or in any manner interfere with any bicycle properly parked, nor shall any person interfere with or in any manner hinder any person from properly parking a bicycle; except, that members of the Police Department and Fire Department may move or, in proper cases prevent the parking of the bicycle, when, in the judgment of the policeman or fireman, his action is necessary in order to properly safeguard persons or property. (Ord. 62-58)

Article III. Registration and Licensing
(Repealed in its Entirety by Ord. 13-64)

Sec. 5-20 through **Sec. 5-25** repealed by Ord. 13-64.

Article IV. Dealers and Rental Agencies.

DIVISION 1. DEALERS.

Sec. 5-26. Reports to Chief of Police.

Any person engaged in the business of selling, buying or trading new or used bicycles within the Village is hereby required to make a written report to the Chief of Police at the end of each month, or more often if requested by him. Such report shall contain the following information:

- (A) The name and address of each person to whom a bicycle was sold, purchased or traded during the period covered by the report.
- (B) A description of the bicycle involved in each such transaction, including the name of the manufacturer, the serial number of the frame and the license number of the bicycle, if the bicycle has been registered, and of a license issued for such bicycle to the owner by the Village.
- (C) Such additional information as the Chief of Police may require. (Ord. 62-48,58)

DIVISION 2. RENTAL AGENCIES.

Sec. 5-27. Condition and Equipment of Bicycles; Compliance with Chapter Generally.

Bicycles offered for rental by a rental agency shall be equipped with the lights and other equipment required by this Chapter and shall be kept in good and safe working condition. Rental agencies shall comply with all the provisions of this Chapter and shall be responsible for the condition of the bicycles they rent. (Ord. 62-48,58)

Sec. 5-28 repealed by Ord. 13-64.

Sec. 5-29. Inspections to Ensure Compliance with Chapter.

The Chief of Police shall make periodic inspections of the rental agencies to ensure compliance with the provisions of this Chapter. (Ord. 62-48, 58)