

CHAPTER 931. BICYCLES.

931.01. Licensing. No person shall ride or use a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard, or alley in the City of Ashland unless the same shall have been licensed and registered as herein provided.

931.02. Registering. Every owner of a bicycle shall list and register with the Chief of Police his or her name and address, the name of the manufacturer of his or her bicycle, its number, style and general description.

931.03. License Tags and Records. The Chief of Police shall provide and keep at police headquarters a suitable record of license applications and registrations. The Chief shall provide suitable identification tags which shall be stamped with a distinguishing Ashland, Wisconsin number. The owner shall affix and keep affixed this tag to the bicycle for which it is issued. The tag must be kept clean and visible at all times and upon demand of any member of the Police Department, the owner shall exhibit such tag for the purpose of identification with proof of ownership.

931.04. License Fee. The fee for such license and tag shall be \$1.00 payable at the City of Ashland Police Department. Bicycles must be licensed and registered before they are operated in the City. Once obtained, a license shall be valid until the person obtaining the license no longer owns the bicycle. The issuance of the tag and the official record thereof shall be the only evidence of the license and registration of the bicycle. No written license certificate shall be issued.

931.05. Tags Not Transferable. Tags may not be transferred. No person shall affix to any bicycle a tag which was not issued for that bicycle. Should a tag be lost, the owner is responsible for purchasing a new tag.

931.06. Interference with Rights. No person shall ride or propel any bicycle upon any part of any public street, highway, boulevard or alley in such manner as to interfere with the rights of other persons using such streets, highways, boulevard or alley.

931.07. Riding Manners. No person shall ride or propel a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley except in the careful and prudent manner nor shall any person propel or operate a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley while carrying thereon another person upon such bicycle.

931.08. Speed Limits. No bicycle shall be ridden upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley at a speed faster than is reasonable and proper under traffic conditions at the same time and every bicycle shall be operated with due regard to the safety of the operator and other persons upon the streets, highways, boulevards and alleys of the city.

931.09. Traffic Signs. Persons riding or propelling bicycles shall observe all traffic signs and signals and stop when and as required by such signals and signs.

931.10. Headlights. No bicycle shall be operated on any street, highway, boulevard or alley during any period of time from one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise without headlights visible from the front of such bicycle for not less than 200 feet which light device shall be firmly attached to said bicycle and properly lighted nor without an adequate lighted red tail light or in lieu thereof an adequate reflector attached to and visible from the rear of such bicycle for a distance of not less than 200 feet.

931.11. Age Restrictions. No person under the age of twelve years shall operate a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M.

931.12. No Riding Abreast. No person shall operate a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley abreast of or to the left of another person operating a bicycle except while passing such bicycle.

931.13. Traffic Rules. Every person riding a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley shall observe all traffic rules and regulations of the city and shall turn only at intersections as permitted by such rules and regulations, signal for all turns and stops, ride at the right hand side of the street or highway as near as may be to the street curb as to the left when passing vehicles, or bicycles that are slower moving and on the right side when meeting. It shall be unlawful to do any trick riding on any street, highway, boulevard or alley or to operate a bicycle without both hands on the handlebars.

931.14. Penalties. Any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof pay a forfeiture of not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and the costs of prosecution. In addition to said forfeiture, previously provided, the Court may, upon conviction, suspend the operator from the use of the registered bicycle for such reasonable period as it may determine.

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