

CHAPTER 62; TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

ARTICLE III. Vehicle Operation

Section 62-61. Truck restrictions.

The City Council may by resolution designate streets on which travel by commercial vehicles in excess of 10,000 pounds gross weight is prohibited. The City Engineer shall erect appropriate signs on such streets. No person shall operate a commercial vehicle on such posted streets in violation of the restrictions stated, unless necessary for the pick up or delivery of property to homes or businesses on such posted streets, in which event the vehicle shall be driven over the shortest possible route on the posted street.

State law reference--Truck routes authorized, Minn. Stats. § 169.87, subd. 1.

Section 62-62. Unnecessary acceleration.

No person shall start or accelerate any motor vehicle with an unnecessary exhibition of speed on any public or private way or public or private parking lot within the city limits. Prima facie evidence of such unnecessary exhibition of speed shall be unreasonable squealing or screeching sounds emitted by the tires or the throwing of sand or gravel by the tires of such vehicle or both.

Section 62-63. Regulation of traffic on the Rum River footbridge.

No motorized vehicles of any kind shall be allowed on the Rum River Footbridge south of the Main Street Bridge, except for motorized wheel chairs. No non-motorized vehicles of any kind, except for wheel chairs, shall be used on the Rum River Footbridge including bicycles, tricycles, roller skates, skateboards, wagons, or any other wheeled vehicle which may cause a hazard to pedestrian traffic. Wheeled vehicles, however, may be pushed or carried by a pedestrian across the bridge if pushed or carried in a manner which does not interfere with pedestrian traffic. A violation of this section shall be a petty misdemeanor.

Section 62-64. Regulation of traffic on the pedestrian underpass of the Main Street Bridge.

No motorized vehicles of any kind shall be allowed on the pedestrian underpass of the Main Street Bridge across the Rum River, except for motorized wheelchairs. No non-motorized vehicles of any kind, except for wheelchairs, shall be used on the pedestrian underpass of the Main Street Bridge, including bicycles, tricycles, roller skates, skate boards, wagons, or any other wheeled or nonwheeled vehicle which may cause a hazard to pedestrian traffic. A violation of this section shall be a petty misdemeanor.

Section 62-65. Cruising.

- (a) *Purpose.* The objectives of this section are to reduce traffic congestion, eliminate safety hazards, provide for the clear passage of emergency vehicles, and reduce criminal activity that accompanies cruising.
- (b) *Definitions.* As used in this section the following words and terms shall have the meanings respectively ascribed:

Cruising means the operation of a motor vehicle as defined in Minn. Stats. § 169.01, subd. 3, past a traffic control point on a street in the designated "No Cruising Zone" four or more times between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m.

in a manner and under circumstances manifesting a "purpose" of unnecessary, repetitive driving in the area.

No cruising zone means East Main Street and West Main Street in the City.

Traffic control point means a point on a street in a "No Cruising Zone" selected by a police officer and noticed by a posted sign.

- (c) *Cruising prohibited.* No person shall operate or permit a motor vehicle under his care, custody or control, to be operated in such a manner so as to constitute cruising.
- (d) *Penalties.* A violation of this section shall constitute a petty misdemeanor. When preceded by two or more petty misdemeanor convictions of this section or two or more convictions of any of the provisions of Minn. Stats. ch. 169 or 171, or any combination thereof, within the immediate preceding 12-month period, a violation shall constitute a misdemeanor. The circumstances which may be considered in determining whether such purpose is manifested include, but are not limited to, that the operator or any passenger in the vehicle attempts to gain the attention of other motorists or pedestrians or engages them in conversation, whether by hailing, arm waiving, horn blowing, excessively loud music or vibrations, or another action or device; that the operator or any passenger present in the vehicle enters or exits the vehicle directly from or to another vehicle driven in or parked in close proximity to the "No Cruising Zone"; that the operator or passenger in the vehicle violates state or municipal traffic regulations or municipal ordinances; or that such person has declared his purpose for driving to be that of cruising. No citation shall be issued for a violation of this section unless the arresting officer first provides the suspect with an opportunity to explain such conduct; and no person shall be convicted of violating this section if it is decided at trial that the explanation given disclosed a lawful purpose, and was not unnecessary repetitive driving. Lawful purposes include, but are not limited to, taxicabs for hire, buses, authorized emergency vehicles, vehicles used under contract with the city, vehicles traveling to a specific destination by a person whose residence address is in the designated area, or by a person whose business or employment requires driving in the designated area.

Section 62-66.

Regulation of non-motorized traffic in city parking ramps.

No non-motorized vehicles of any kind, except for wheelchairs, shall be used in any city-owned or operated parking ramps in the city, including bicycles, tricycles, wagons or any other wheeled vehicle which may create a hazard to pedestrian or vehicular traffic. A violation of this section shall be a petty misdemeanor.

Section 62-67.

Snowmobile operation prohibited.

- (a) *Definitions.* As used in this section the following words and terms shall have the meanings respectively ascribed:

Operate means to ride in or on and control the operation of a snowmobile.

Snowmobile means a self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice which is steered by skis or runners.

- (b) *Snowmobile operation prohibited.* No person shall operate a snowmobile within the City limits.

- (c) *Exceptions:*
1. A snowmobile may be operated on private property with the permission of the property owner for maintenance purposes and to load or unload the snowmobile for transportation purposes.
 2. A snowmobile may be operated in an emergency during the period of time when and at locations where snow upon the roadway renders travel by automobile impractical.
 3. A snowmobile may be operated on the Rum River and within designated areas within the City in a manner that is consistent with MN Rules 6100.5200 subp. 4.
- (d) *Towing.* The Anoka Police Department may tow any snowmobile operated in violation of this section.
- (e) *Penalty.* Violation of this section shall be a petty misdemeanor.

State law references--Snowmobiles generally, Minn. Stats. § 84.81 et seq.; local regulation of snowmobiles, Minn. Stats. § 84.87, subd. 3.

Secs. 62-68--62-90.

Reserved.