

THE SAME BEING AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SAGINAW, NEWTON COUNTY, MISSOURI,  
CONCERNING: TRAFFIC

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF SAGINAW, MISSOURI, AS  
FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1. The following terms, as used in this chapter, shall be defined as follows: (a) Motor vehicles: Any vehicles propelled by any other power than muscle power, except traction engines, road rollers, fire extinguishers, and police cars owned and operated by the Town of Saginaw, ambulances, and such powered vehicles as run on tracks. (b) Motorcycle: Any motor vehicle operated on two wheels. (c) Motor tricycles: Any motor vehicle operated on three wheels. (d) Public Highway: Any public street, avenue, alley, parkway, or other place in the city used by the public for driving. (e) Owner: Any person, owning or renting a motor vehicle, or having the exclusive use thereof, under lease or otherwise, of more than thirty (30) days. (f) Operator: Any person having actual control of the operation of any motor vehicle. (h) School Zone: That district within <sup>Two</sup> one block, in any direction of any public school in the district in the Town of Saginaw. (i) Crosswalk: That portion of the street which would be included by the prolonging of the lateral lines of the sidewalks at intersection. (j) School Lane: That portion of the street which is marked and designated as such which provided for a way for children <sup>to</sup> other side of street. (k) Parking: The standing of a vehicle on a street other than temporarily for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or goods, or because of traffic. (l) Right-of-way: The right of one vehicle to proceed when two or more vehicles reach an intersection at approximately the same time. (m) Person: Any individual, firm, co-partnership, association or corporation.

SECTION 2. Every operator of a motor vehicle shall have on it, in good working order, the equipment required by this section, and shall forbear from the use of any equipment, forbidden hereby. (a) Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a bell, gong, horn, ~~whistle~~, or other device, and the same shall be kept in good working order and capable of emitting a sound

adequate in quality and volume to give warning of the approach of such vehicle to pedestrian, and to riders or drivers of animals, or of other vehicles, and to persons leaving street cars or railroad cars; and every person operating a motor vehicle within the town shall sound said warning device whenever necessary to warn others using the highways of danger, in ample time to avoid accidents, but such warning signal shall not be used unnecessarily, to the disturbance of others. (b) Every motor vehicle shall, during the period from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, carry at the front thereof, two lighted lamps, not to exceed thirty-six (36) candle power each, showing white lights; and one red lamp shall be carried to the rear thereof, exhibiting a red light, and plainly visible for a distance of 500 feet. The two white lights at the front of each vehicle shall be capable of revealing objects at least one hundred fifty (150) feet ahead of said vehicle, and shall be so adjusted that when on level ground no portion of the shaft of light shall be above the level of the lamps, nor more than forty-two (42) inches above the ground. (c) All motorcycles shall carry one lighted lamp to the front and one lighted lamp to the rear, in all respects similar to those required of other motor vehicles. (d) All motor vehicles shall be provided with adequate brakes, which shall at all times be kept in good working order. (e) Muffler cut-outs are hereby expressly prohibited within the city limits, and all motor vehicles shall be kept muffled in such manner as to prevent excessive or unnecessary noise.

SECTION 3. No person under the age of sixteen (16) shall drive a motor vehicle within the Town of Saginaw. (b) No car shall be driven upon the main street of the city or within one block thereof, or in the school zone at a rate of speed in excess of twenty-five (25) miles per hour, and nowhere within the city at the rate of speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour. (c) No person shall unnecessarily drive a vehicle at such a slow speed as to impede normal traffic. (d) Operators of motor vehicles within the Town of Saginaw shall abide by the following "rules of the road".

1. No driver of a vehicle shall follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent under the condition then existing.

2. A driver, when stopping or checking the speed of his vehicle, if the movement of other vehicle or vehicles may reasonably be affected by such checking of speed, shall extend at an angle below a horizontal position his arm and in such manner that the same may be seen from the rear of his vehicle.

3. A driver intending to turn his vehicle to the right, shall extend his arm at an angle above horizontal, so that the same may be seen in the rear of his vehicle, and shall slow down and approach the intersecting street as near as practicable to the right side of the street along which he is proceeding, before making the turn.

4. A driver intending to turn his vehicle to the left, shall extend his arm in a horizontal position so that the same may be seen in the rear of his vehicle, and shall slow down and approach the intersecting street as near as practicable to the left side of his vehicle as near as practicable to the center line of the street along which he is proceeding before making the turn. A driver when stopping, or checking, the speed of his vehicle, if the movement of the other vehicles may be reasonably affected by such checking of speed, shall extend his arm in an angle below horizontal and in such manner that the same may be seen from the rear of his vehicle.

5. If a motor vehicle is equipped with a mechanical or electrical signaling device which displays a signal plainly visible from the rear and indicates the intention of the driver, the signals of the hand and arm herein required need not to be given. Any vehicle so constructed or equipped that the giving of the arm signals herein required cannot be given, it shall be equipped with a mechanical or electrical signaling device.

6. The driver of any vehicle shall not back the same into an intersection or over a crosswalk; and in no event or place shall a vehicle be backed unless such movement can be made in perfect safety.

7. No person shall drive a vehicle when it is so loaded, or when there are in the front seat such a number of persons, exceeding three, as to obstruct the view of the driver to the front or sides of the vehicle or as to interfere with the view of the driver, or his control over the vehicle.

8. Vehicles proceeding in opposite directions shall pass each other to the right, each giving the other as nearly as possible, one-half of the traveled portion of the roadway.

9. Two vehicles passing each other from opposite directions shall have the right-of-way, and no vehicle to the rear of either shall pass or attempt to pass such vehicles.

10. Vehicles overtaking others and proceeding in the same direction and desiring to pass, shall give a signal audible to the driver of the vehicle to be passed, and then pass to the left thereof, and not again turn to the right until reasonably clear thereof; and it shall be the duty of the driver of the overtaken vehicle to keep as far as possible to the right so as to allow free passage to his left. This rule shall apply equally to persons riding, driving or loading animals on the highway.

11. It shall be the duty of the operator of any vehicle approaching an intersection to yield the right of way to other vehicles which may be approaching such intersection from his right.

12. Operators of motor vehicles may make U-turns at any intersection. In making such a turn, the operator shall drive to the nearest intersection, give adequate warning of his intention to approaching vehicles and yield the right-of-way to any vehicle or vehicles which may be approaching from any direction. No U-turn shall be made at any place other than an intersection.

13. All vehicles shall be kept as far as possible to the right of the center line of the highway on which they are proceeding, and no two vehicles shall be driven, or allowed to stand, abreast upon any highway. This shall likewise apply to animals being ridden, driven or lead upon the highway in the town.

14. ~~An operator of a motor vehicle, upon approaching a pedestrian who is in the roadway, about to enter the roadway, or about to enter the roadway, shall give an audible signal of his approach to said pedestrian, and, if necessary, come to a complete stop and remain standing so long as such pedestrian may be in danger.~~

15. An operator of a motor vehicle, overtaking and desiring to pass another vehicle or animal upon any highway shall give an audible warning to such vehicle or animal of his intention to pass.

16. ~~The city~~ <sup>BOARD OF DIRECTORS</sup> shall place and maintain all traffic signals, signs and markings required by this chapter; and he is hereby authorized to designate intersections at which no left turns may be made, and to set aside portions of the streets for loading zones, etc.,

17. No person shall place, maintain or display upon or in view of the highway any unauthorized sign, signal, marking or device which purports to be, or is in imitation of or resembles an official traffic control device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic or hides from view or interference with the effectiveness of any official traffic control device or railroad sign or signal.

18. No person shall, without lawfully authority, attempt to, or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down, or remove any official traffic control, device or sign or signal.

19. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive any vehicle of any nature, or any animal over or across any newly made sidewalk or pavement within the town, or over or across any street, or sidewalk where there is a barrier, sign, light, or person warning the driver thereof that such street or sidewalk is closed to traffic.

20. No person shall operate a motor vehicle within the town with more than four persons in the front, or driver's seat thereof, not shall he permit any person or persons to stand or sit on the running board or fender thereof while in motion.

#### ARTICLE 5.

SECTION 1. Operators of motor vehicles within the town shall park their cars in the manner and only in the manner set forth in this section:

(a) All motor vehicles shall be parked parallel with the curb or to the extreme right edge of the roadway.

(b) All motor vehicles shall be parked as close to the curb as possible, except as otherwise marked.

(c) No cars shall be parked within the town in such a manner as to hinder the ingress and/or egress from any parking space within the town (double parked unless some person capable of moving such car shall remain at the wheel thereof)

(d) Safety Zones: The following safety zones are hereby established and, when properly marked, no person shall park a car therein:

1. Highways on the near side of any school.
2. A space 15 feet next to, and facing any stop sign located at the side of any highway in the town.
3. A space 10 feet on each side of and adjacent to, the entrance of the fire department building.
4. A space of fifteen (15) feet on each side of any fire plug or fire hydrant.
5. The ~~city marshal in conjunction with the police committee of the city council~~, is hereby expressly given the authority to establish other safety zones or no parking zones within the city when in their sound discretion, it becomes necessary for the public safety; no person shall park any vehicle in any zone marked as a "no parking" zone whether by ordinance or by the city marshal, as authorized in this chapter.

#### ARTICLE 6.

SECTION 1. All operators of vehicles shall bring their vehicles to a full stop before entering into the traffic on, or crossing, any highway in the town, when approaching any stop sign now or hereafter placed, warning them that they should so stop their vehicles.

SECTION 2. No person shall ride a bicycle, or ride, drive, or lead any horse, cow, or other domestic animal upon or along any sidewalk, or through any park, or upon, across, or through any yard, garden, lawn, or premises of another, and no person shall ride any bicycle or horse upon any of the public highways of the town in a reckless or dangerous manner. No person shall ride a bicycle upon any highway in said town in the night time without carrying a lighted lamp to the front and rear thereof; and no person shall ride, drive, or lead any horse, or other animal, within the town, in the night time without carrying a lighted lamp in such manner as to give warning to approaching vehicles of their presence on said highway. *ALL SUCH TRAFFIC SHALL TRAVEL IN THE SAME DIRECTION AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC*