

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ORDINANCE

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Statutory reference:

Regulation of traffic on streets and public ways, see G.S. 160A-300

Section 1 TRAFFIC AND PARKING REGULATIONS.

A) Town traffic and parking regulations will be established by ordinance and the Board. When a new traffic or parking ordinance is adopted, the Chief of Police shall make certain that the appropriate sign, traffic-control signal, or other markings are made to give proper notice of regulation.

B) A list of all town traffic and parking regulations shall be maintained in the office of the Clerk. The current list of regulations is incorporated by reference into this chapter.

Section 2 OBEDIENCE TO SIGNS, MARKERS, OR DEVICES.

Any person failing or refusing to comply with the directions indicated on any sign, marker, or device for the control of direction of traffic or regulation of parking erected or placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, when so placed or erected, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. This section shall not be construed to apply when the

driver of a vehicle is otherwise directed by a police officer, or when an exception is granted to the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle under Section 10.

Section 3 SIGNS AS PREREQUISITE TO ENFORCEMENT.

No provisions of this chapter for which signs are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator if, at the time and place of the alleged violations, an official sign is not in proper position and sufficiently legible to an ordinarily observant person.

Section 4 TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNAL LEGEND.

Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals exhibiting the words, "Go", "Caution", or "Stop", or exhibiting different colored lights successively one at a time, or with arrows, the following colors shall be used and the terms and light shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

A) Green alone or "Go"

- 1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at the place prohibits either turn, but vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time the signal is exhibited.
- 2) Pedestrian facing the signal may proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

B) Yellow alone or "Caution" when shown following the green or "Go" signal.

- 1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal is thereby warned that the red or "stop" signal will be exhibited immediately thereafter and the vehicular traffic shall not enter or be crossing the intersection when the red or "stop" signal is exhibited.
- 2) No pedestrian facing the signal shall enter the roadway until the green or "go" is shown.

C) Red alone or "Stop".

- 1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until green or "Go" is shown alone, however, if a sign is not erected prohibiting turns on red lights, the vehicles may turn right on red lights after coming to a complete stop.
- 2) No pedestrian facing the signal shall enter the roadway unless the green or "Go" is shown alone or unless authorized to do so by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

D) Red with green arrow.

- 1) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by the arrow but shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within a crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.
- 2) No pedestrian facing the signal shall enter the roadway until the green or "Go" is shown.
- **E**) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this section shall be applicable, except as to those provisions shall be made at a sign or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the absence of any sign or marking the stop shall be made at the signal.

Section 5 FLASHING SIGNALS.

Whenever flashing red or yellow signals are used, they shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:

A) Flashing red (stop signal).

When a red lens is illuminated by rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall come to a complete stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, and the right to proceed shall be subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign. In no event shall the vehicle be driven into the crosswalk unless and until the entry can be made with safety to other persons and property at the place.

B) Flashing yellow (caution signal).

When a yellow lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers or operators of vehicles may proceed through the intersection past the signal only with caution.

Section 6 DISPLAY OF UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS.

- **A)** No person shall place, maintain, or display on or in view of any street or highway any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, or device which purports to he or is imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control device, sign, or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic, or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any official traffic-control device, sign, or signal.
- **B)** No person shall place or maintain nor shall any public authority permit on any street or highway and traffic sign or signal bearing thereon any commercial advertising.

Section 7 INTERFERENCE WITH OFFICIAL TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES.

No Person shall without lawful authority attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down, or remove any official traffic-control device, sign, or signal or any inscription, shield, or insignia thereon, or any part thereof.

Section 8 AUTHORITY OF POLICE AND FIRE DEPT. OFFICIALS

- **A**) It shall be the duty of the officers of the Police Dept. to enforce all street traffic laws and all of the state laws applicable to street traffic.
- **B**) Officers of the Police Dept. are authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand, or signal in conformance with traffic laws, provided that, in the event of a fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or to safeguard pedestrians, officers of the Police Dept. may direct traffic as conditions may require notwithstanding the provisions of the traffic laws.
- C) Officers of the Fire Dept., when at the scene of a fire, may direct or assist the police in directing traffic thereat or in the immediate vicinity.

Section 9 OBEDIENCE TO POLICE AND FIRE DEPT. OFFICIALS.

No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of a police officer or Fire Dept. official.

Section 10 AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

The provisions of this chapter regulating the operation, parking, and standing of vehicles, shall apply to authorized emergency vehicles, as defined in this chapter, except as provided under state law.

Statutory reference:

Emergency vehicles, exceptions to right-of-way rules, see G.S. 20-156.

Section 11 SIDEWALK USE.

No person shall drive or ride upon a skateboard, cycle, go-cart, or motorized vehicle of any type (except a wheelchair) upon the sidewalks or public walk areas of the Town of Pine Level.

Section 12 PENALTY.

In accordance with G.S. 160A-175, violation of any provision hereof shall he a misdemeanor as provided in G.S. 14-4, punishable on conviction by a line not exceeding \$50 or by imprisonment not exceeding 30 days.

Adopted 8-11-87

MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAX ORDINANCE

Section 1 License tags and decals; tags

Section 2 Penalty

Statutory reference:

Municipal license tax on motor vehicles, see G.S. 20-97 and 160A-213

Section 1 LICENSE TAGS AND DECALS; TAX.

A tax is levied on every motor vehicle in the municipality, such tax to be the amount of \$5 per year. If a license tag is issued it shall it be displayed on the front or rear bumper of the motor vehicle so licensed and registered in such a manner as to be clearly visible; if a decal is issued, it shall be displayed in the lower right hand corner of the windshield, so that the edges of the decal will not be more than one inch from the bottom and right edges of the windshield.

Penalty, see Section 2

Section 2 Penalty.

Failure to comply with this chapter in a timely manner shall subject the violator to civil penalty of \$5 for each offense.

ORDINANCE REGULATING PARKING VIOLATIONS; ENFORCEMENT THEREOF

SECTION 1 Illegal Parking; overtime

SECTION 2 Compliance; proof of ownership

SECTION 3 Penalty

Section 1 ILLEGAL PARKING: OVERTME

- **A)** If any vehicle shall be found illegally parked or parked overtime or in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, it shall be the duty of the Chief of Police or other law enforcement officers of the town to attach to the vehicle a notice to the owner or operator thereof, if the owner or operator is absent, or to deliver to the owner or operator, if present, a notice to the effect that the vehicle has been illegally parked or parked overtime or in violation of a provision of this chapter.
- **B**) An owner or operator of a vehicle may, within 48 hours from the time the notice referred to in division (A) above was attached to the vehicle or delivered to the owner or operator, pay to the town, as a penalty for the offense indicated in the notice, the sum of \$20.00; or in the case of a handicapped parking violation, \$80.00. No owner or operator of the vehicle shall fail to appear and pay the penalty within the prescribed period. (Penalty, see Section 3.)

Section 2 COMPLIANCE: PROOF OF OWNERSHIP

The person actually operating or in control of the operation of the vehicle at the time that such vehicle is parked shall be charged with the duty of complying with the provisions of this chapter, provided, that proof of ownership of any vehicle found parked in violation of this chapter shall be prima facie evidence that the owner parked the vehicle.

Section 3 PENALTY

Except as otherwise provided, the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall constitute a misdemeanor.

Adopted 08-11-87

ORDINANCE REGULATING PARKING WITHIN SPECIFIED AREAS OF THE TOWN OF PINE LEVEL

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PINE LEVEL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS that parking shall not be allowed in the following areas of the Town of Pine Level:

- A) Along the eastern side of Peedin Avenue (SR 2309) from its intersection with US Highway 70-A through the residential area to the commencement of the commercial district just before Pine Street.
- **B**) On the western side of Peedin Avenue (SR 2309) from the commercial district to Brown Street.
- C) Along the west bound lane of US Highway 70-A from the intersection with Peedin Avenue (SR 2309) to approximately 200 feet east of Mr. B Street.
- **D)** Along the east bound lane of US Highway 70-A from Fitzgerald Street to the intersection with Peedin Avenue (SR 2309).
- **E**) On the eastern side of North Herring Street
- **F**) At the entrance to the water plant located on Oliver Street
- **G**) At the recreation park parking lot on Crescent Street, from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that parking shall be restricted in the following areas in the Town of Pine Level:

- A) Handicapped parking spaces near the flag pole at the recreation park parking lot on US Highway 70-A and at the park parking lot off of Crescent Street beside the pitching machine; also, at the post office on West Pine Street, and in the future, wherever the need exists.
- B) Spaces in front of the Pine Level Town Hall shall be limited to 15 minutes in the yellow curbed areas from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- C) Designated parking spaces are not to be blocked by parking opposite the designated parking lines.
- D) Parking will only be allowed in the same direction as the flow of traffic.
- E) Overnight parking is prohibited on the northern side of West Pine Street, from N. Peedin Avenue to N. Capps Street, from 12 midnight to 6:00 a.m. AMENDED THIS THE 8TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2000