

CHAPTER 73: BICYCLES AND MOTORCYCLES

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Cross-reference:

Required obedience to traffic directions, see § 70.02(C)

§ 73.01 OPERATION OF BICYCLES.

(A) Bicycles shall be allowed to be operated on the sidewalks of the city except on and between Main Street and Poplar Street between 10th Street and 12th Streets. Pedestrians and bicycles shall use due care when passing on sidewalks. A bicyclist operating on a sidewalk or crosswalk shall have the rights and duties of a pedestrian in the same circumstances.

(B) A bicyclist using a sidewalk or crosswalk shall abide by all state statutes and regulations, and shall:

(1) Slow to the speed of an ordinary walk where pedestrians are present or reasonably expected to be present or if approaching a crosswalk, driveway, or other crossing where a motor vehicle is expected;

(2) Not suddenly leave the sidewalk or crosswalk and move into the path of another vehicle that is close enough to constitute an immediate hazard; and

(3) Yield to pedestrians using the sidewalk or crosswalk.

(C) A bicyclist operating on a crosswalk or sidewalk shall obey an official traffic control device applicable to a pedestrian unless otherwise directed by a police officer or other officially designated person.

(D) A bicyclist operating on a crosswalk or sidewalk shall yield the right-of-way to a vehicle if crossing the road at a point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection.

(E) No person shall operate a bicycle on any section of a public park, playground, play lot, or tot lot, except on a roadway or in a parking area.

(F) No operator of any bicycle shall carry another person on such bicycle.
(Am. Ord. 18-10-01, passed 10-15-18) Penalty, see § 73.99

Statutory reference:

Bicycles; safety regulations and standards, see KRS 189.287

§ 73.02 OPERATION OF MOTORCYCLES AND MOTORSCOOTERS.

(A) No operator of any motorcycle, motorscooter, or power-driven bicycle shall carry another person except on a seat attached thereto or in a side car attached to the vehicle.

(B) No operator of a motorcycle, motorscooter, or power-driven bicycle shall operate such vehicle in any public park, except on a roadway or in a parking area.

(C) No operator of a motorcycle, motorscooter, or power-driven bicycle shall operate such vehicle in any play lot or tot lot.

Penalty, see § 73.99

Statutory reference:

Regulations for operating and riding on motorcycles, see KRS 189.285

§ 73.03 SKATING AND COASTING.

Except on streets which may be declared from time to time as “play streets” by the city and protected by barriers or official signs, it shall be unlawful for any person on skates or riding on a coaster sled or toy vehicle of any kind, to go on any roadway except at a crosswalk.

Penalty, see § 73.99

§ 73.04 CLINGING TO VEHICLES.

(A) No person while riding on a bicycle, coaster sled, roller skates, or any toy vehicle shall cling to any moving vehicle on any street, or fasten or attach the vehicle on which he is riding thereto.

(B) No person shall ride on the projection, running board, or fenders of any vehicle.
Penalty, see § 73.99

§ 73.05 OPERATION OF SKATEBOARDS.

(A) *Definitions.* For the purpose of this section the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires another meaning:

(1) **PERSON.** Any natural person, partnership, corporation, joint venture, unincorporated association of natural persons, or any combination thereof.

(2) **SKATEBOARD.** Any board or platform to which there are attached wheels for movement thereof by either gravity or the muscular power of someone standing upon the board or platform and which has no mechanism or other device with which to steer or control the movement or direction of the board or platform.

(B) Operation on streets and sidewalks.

(1) No person shall cause, permit, allow, encourage or engage in the operation of a skateboard upon, into, or within any street or highway or alleys located within the city.

(2) No person shall construct any skateboard ramp upon a street, highway or sidewalk located within the city.

(3) No person shall cause, permit, allow, encourage, or engage in the operation of a skateboard upon any sidewalk within the city in a manner so as to be dangerous or inimical to the use of any sidewalk by any other person.

(C) Operation on private property.

(1) No person shall operate a skateboard on any private property within the city unless the person has obtained the written consent of the owner or owners of the private property and unless the persons operating the skateboard has in his or her possession at the time of operation the written consent of the owner or owners of the private property on which he or she is operating the skateboard.

(2) The written consent described in division (C)(1) of this section shall grant to the person named therein permission to operate a skateboard on property described in the consent. No more than one person shall be named as a permittee on a written consent. A written consent shall be invalid unless the name of the permittee is written therein. A written consent shall not be transferable.

(3) A person who is the owner of private property in the city, his or her spouse, dependent children or tenants and their children who reside upon the property shall, without procuring the written consent described in division (C)(1) of this section have the right to operate a skateboard on private property of which they are the bona fide owners, or their spouse or dependent children of the owners, or tenants or dependent children of the tenants who reside on the property.

(D) Citation for violation, confiscation of skateboard.

(1) Any law enforcement officer who issues a citation for violation of this section shall confiscate the skateboard used in the violation and place same in the police property room at the City Hall.

(2) The skateboard may be returned to the violator or to the parent or legal guardian of the violator if the violator is a minor, after the following periods of time:

(a) After 30 days for a first violation of this section; and

(b) If any person commits a subsequent violation of this section, the skateboard used by such person in the violation shall be forfeited to the city and disposed of in the manner prescribed by law for forfeited property.

(Ord. 03-09-01, passed 9-15-03) Penalty, see § 73.99

§ 73.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter shall be deemed to have committed a violation and shall be fined not more than \$50 for each offense.