

4.03 BICYCLES

(1) DEFINITION. Bicycle is hereby defined to mean every device propelled by the feet acting upon pedals and having two or three wheels, any two of which are more than 16 inches or more in diameter.

(2) RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN. No parent or guardian of any child shall authorize or knowingly permit such child to violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance.

(3) SPECIAL RULES APPLICABLE TO BICYCLES.

(a) A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and a regular seat attached hereto.

(b) No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number of persons for which it is designated or equipped.

(c) No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle, or article which prevents the operator from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.

(d) No person riding a bicycle shall attach his said person or bicycle to any vehicle upon a roadway.

(e) No person shall operate a bicycle within the Village limits of the Village of Hilbert in a reckless manner.

(f) Bicycles shall yield the right of way to pedestrians.

(g) All operators of bicycles must obey all traffic regulations.

(4) OPERATION OF BICYCLE.

(a) No bicycles shall be operated on sidewalks.

(b) Every person operating a bicycle on a roadway only shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

(c) Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway shall ride in single file, and shall not operate the bicycle upon which he is riding abreast of another bicycle except when passing.

(5) EQUIPMENT REQUIRED.

(a) No person shall operate a bicycle upon a roadway during the hours of darkness unless such bicycle is equipped with a lamp on the front emitting a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and a red reflector on the rear so mounted and maintained as to be visible from all distances from 50 to 300 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlight on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance 300 feet to the rear may be used in addition to said red reflector but not in lieu thereof.

(b) No person shall operate a bicycle upon a highway unless it is equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the braked wheel skid on dry, level, clean pavement, and with bell or other device capable of giving a signal audible for a distance of at least 100 feet, but no bicycle shall be equipped with, nor shall any person attach to or use upon any bicycle any siren or whistle.

(c) A suitable warning shall be given when about to pass a pedestrian.

(6) Penalty for violation of this ordinance shall be controlled by Ordinance No. 15.01.