

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING TRAFFIC RULES
FOR BICYCLES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF
ABILENE:

Section 1: TRAFFIC LAWS APPLY TO PERSONS RIDING BICYCLES.

Every person riding a bicycle upon a street or roadway in the City of Abilene shall be subject to the provisions of the traffic ordinances of said city applicable to the drivers of vehicles, except as to the special regulations of this ordinance and except as to those provisions of traffic ordinances which by their nature can have no application; and shall be subject to the following rules and regulations while riding a bicycle on the public streets and roadways within said city of Abilene.

Section 2: OBEDIENCE to TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES. Any

person operating a bicycle on said streets and roadways shall obey the instructions of official traffic signals, signs, and other control devices applicable to vehicles unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

Section 3: RIDING on BICYCLES: No bicycles shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

Section 4: SPEED. No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.

Section 5: RIDING on RIGHTHAND SIDE. Every person operating a bicycle upon such streets or roadways shall ride as near to the righthand side of such streets or roadways as is practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

Section 6: EMERGING FROM ALLEY OR DRIVEWAY. The operator of a bicycle emerging from an alley, driveway or building shall, upon approaching a sidewalk or sidewalk area extending across any alley shall yield the right of way to all pedestrians approaching on said sidewalk or sidewalk area, or upon entering any roadway shall yield the right of way to all vehicles approach-

ing on said roadway.

Section 7: CLINGING to VEHICLES. No person riding upon any bicycle shall attach the same or himself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

Section 8: RIDING in a GROUP. Persons operating bicycles upon any roadway shall not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

Section 9: CARRYING ARTICLES. No person riding a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or other article which prevents the rider from keeping at least one hand upon the handle bar and the rider shall at all times keep one hand ahold of the handle bar while riding upon any street or roadway.

Section 10: PARKING. No person shall park a bicycle upon a street other than upon the roadway against the curb or upon the sidewalk in a rack to support the bicycle or against a building or against such curb in such manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic.

Section 11: BICYCLE PATHS. Wherever a useable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such paths and shall not use the roadway.

Section 12: RIDING on SIDEWALKS: No person shall ride a bicycle upon the sidewalk within the city limits of the city of Abilene.

Section 13: SAFETY AND LOADING ZONES. No person shall park a bicycle in any safety or loading zone.

Section 14: Any person violating any of the rules or provisions of this ordinance shall on conviction be fined in any sum not exceeding \$100.00; or the court trying said case may order the bicycle of the offending person to be impounded, and held by the Chief of Police of said city for a period of time not exceeding thirty days.

^{Section} If any ~~section~~ of this ordinance shall be invalid, such holding shall not affect the valid portions thereof.

Passed on its first reading the 3rd day of April

A.D. 1942.

Passed on its second and final reading on this the 24th
day of April A.D. 1942.

W. H. H. H. H.
Mayor

ATTEST:

E. J. F. M. M.
City Secretary

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Approved as to form before passage
Corporation Counsel