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CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF JACKSON COUNTY

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**PART FOUR - TRAFFIC CODE**

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**CROSS REFERENCES**

- Traffic Safety Committee - see ORS 802.300 et seq.
  - County traffic safety programs - see ORS 802.329
  - Powers of State and local authorities generally - see ORS 810.010 et seq.
  - Traffic control devices - see ORS 810.200 et seq.
  - Approval of size and weight of mass transit vehicles - see ORS 818.010 et seq.
  - Growth for non-interstate highways - see S.U. & P.S. Ch. 1024, Exhibit I
  - Computation of traffic volume - see S.U. & P.S. 1024.15
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**410.01 AUTHORITY AND CONSIDERATIONS FOR PLACEMENT OF DEVICES.**

The County Administrator or his or her authorized representative shall place and maintain traffic control devices upon any street or highway under County jurisdiction as are necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Traffic Code, or to regulate, warn or guide traffic, and such other traffic control devices as such person shall deem necessary for the proper control of traffic. The County Administrator or his or her authorized representative shall determine the location, timing and coordination of such traffic control devices upon the basis of an applicable engineering or traffic investigation and shall consider the following:

- (a) The maximum safety and protection of vehicular and pedestrian traffic from physical injury or property damage;
- (b) The existing and potential traffic movement, volume and conditions;
- (c) The location and frequency of accidents, including studies of remedial measures;
- (d) The recommendations of the Sheriff and the Roads and Parks Director;
- (e) The acceleration of transportation of persons and property by vehicles so as to expedite travel and promote public safety;
- (f) The convenience and welfare of the general public in parking, standing, loading and unloading, and the use of the streets as affecting business concerns and places of assembly; and
- (g) Economy in the expenditure of money.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85; Ord. 2003-4. Passed 1-22-03; Ord. 2007-2. Passed 1-31-07.)

**410.02 CONFORMITY WITH STATE MANUAL.**

All traffic control devices placed pursuant to this Traffic Code shall conform to the State Manual and Specifications of Uniform Standards for Traffic Control Devices adopted by the Oregon Transportation Commission pursuant to ORS 810.200.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85; Ord. 92-7. Passed 7-1-92.)

**410.03 POWERS OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR.**

The County Administrator or his or her authorized representative is hereby authorized to:

- (a) Designate any street or highway as a through street or highway and require that all vehicles stop or yield the right of way as may be required before entering the same;
- (b) Designate any intersection as a stop intersection and require all vehicles to stop at one or more entrances to such intersection;
- (c) Designate any intersection as a yield intersection and require all vehicles to yield the right of way as required;
- (d) Designate any street as a one-way street and require that all vehicles thereon be moved in one specific direction;
- (e) Designate and mark lanes to be used by traffic moving in a particular direction regardless of the centerline of the roadway;
- (f) Erect signs directing slow-moving traffic to use a designated lane or allocating specified lanes to traffic moving in the same direction;
- (g) Designate those portions of any street where overtaking and passing other traffic or driving to the left of the center or centerline of the roadway would be especially hazardous, by appropriate signs or markings on the street to indicate the beginning and end of such zones. Such zones may be marked by an auxiliary yellow line placed parallel and to the right of the normal centerline or offset marked lane line;
- (h) Place markers, buttons or signs within or adjacent to intersections and require that a specific course of direction be traveled by vehicles proceeding in lanes by either permitting, prohibiting or requiring turns at such intersections;
- (i) Install traffic control devices, signals and signs at any location to regulate traffic;
- (j) Establish safety zones, crosswalks, zones of quiet and play streets;
- (k) Close any street or portion thereof to vehicular traffic which is in the process of construction, reconstruction or repair;
- (l) Determine the location of any necessary bus stops and taxicab stands;
- (m) Determine the location and limiting hours of truck loading zones;
- (n) Designate dangerous railroad crossings and erect stop signs thereat;

- (o) Erect "No U Turn" signs at any location to prohibit a vehicle from being turned so as to proceed in the opposite direction;
- (p) Regulate or prohibit the stopping, standing and parking of vehicles on streets, alleys or public property by erecting signs plainly indicating the prohibitions, restrictions or limitations;
- (q) Designate individual parking spaces by markings, which may either be parallel or at a prescribed angle to the curb or edge of the roadway.
- (r) Establish load limits on bridges and roads and erect signs displaying said limits.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85; Ord. 2002-7. Passed 2-6-02.)

#### **410.04 POSTING OF SIGNS AND SIGNALS REQUIRED.**

No provision of this chapter shall be effective until signs, signals, markings or other devices giving notice of such local traffic regulations are posted upon or at the entrance to the street or part thereof affected, as may be most appropriate, so that in a proper position they are sufficiently legible to be seen by an ordinarily observant person.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85.)

#### **410.05 COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S POWERS NOT LIMITED.**

The powers of the County Administrator or his or her authorized representative shall not be limited by the specific enumeration of subjects contained in this chapter.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85.)

#### **410.06 RECORDS OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR.**

The County Administrator or his or her authorized representative shall keep a record of all rules, regulations and proceedings promulgated in connection with this chapter.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85.)

**410.07 RESERVATION OF POWER TO BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the Board of County Commissioners may override any decision of the County Administrator or his or her authorized representative and may assume any of the powers delegated to such person, by a resolution adopted by a vote of a majority of the members duly elected thereto. Upon the adoption of any such resolution, the same may be changed only by an amending or repealing resolution adopted by the Board.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85.)

**410.08 VIOLATIONS.**

Any person violating the rules and regulations promulgated in connection with this chapter shall be subject to the penalties provided for in Section 410.99.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85; E. Ord. 93-34. Passed 10-13-93; P. Ord. 93-35. Passed 10-27-93.)

**410.09 SOUND AMPLIFYING DEVICES.**

(a) Unreasonable Sound Amplification From a Vehicle. A person commits the violation of causing unreasonable sound amplification from a vehicle if the person operates, or permits the operation of, any sound amplification system which is plainly audible outside of a vehicle from fifty or more feet, when the vehicle is on any public roadway or on premises open to the public within the White City Unincorporated Community Boundary during nighttime hours, unless that system is being operated to request assistance or warn of a hazardous situation.

(E. Ord.2003-29. Passed 10-15-03; P. Ord. 2003-28. Passed 10-29-03; Ord 2013-4. Passed 7-10-13.)

(b) Exceptions. Subsection (a) hereof does not apply to:

- (1) Emergency vehicles as defined in ORS 801.260;
- (2) Vehicles operated by utilities defined under ORS 757.005, 758.505 and 759.005;
- (3) Audio alarm systems installed in vehicles; or
- (4) Areas zoned for industrial use.

(c) Definitions. As used in this section:

- (1) Nighttime Hours - means between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- (2) Plainly Audible - means any sound for which the information content of that sound is unambiguously communicated to the listener, including, but not limited to, understandable spoken speech, comprehension of whether a voice is raised or normal, or comprehensible musical rhythms or vocal sounds.
- (3) White City Urban Unincorporated Community Boundary - means the Unincorporated Community Boundary Line for White City adopted by the Board of Commissioners pursuant to Ordinance No. 98-18 on September 2, 1998, acknowledged by the Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission on October 22, 1998, pursuant to Work Order No. 00992, and effective on November 1, 1998. A map of the White City Urban Unincorporated Community Boundary, as adopted pursuant to Ordinance No. 98-18, is included as Exhibit 1 to this section.

(Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85; E. Ord. 93-34. Passed 10-13-93; P. Ord. 93-35. Passed 10-27-93; Ord. 95-33. Passed 6-28-95; Ord. 2013-4. Passed 7-10-13.)

**410.10** (Adopting Ordinance. Passed 12-10-85; Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.11** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.12** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.13** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.14** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.15** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.16** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.17** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.18** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.19 UNCLAIMED VEHICLES.**

If a vehicle is taken into custody pursuant to ORS 809.700 to 809.720, ORS Chapter 819, or by any other lawful means, and if such vehicle is not reclaimed after providing notice pursuant to ORS 809.725, the impounding agency or its designee may dispose of the vehicle in any lawful manner provided by Oregon law.

(Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.20** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.21** (Ord. 96-20. Passed 5-22-96; REPEALED by Ord. 99-5. Passed 4-21-99.)

**410.22 VEHICLE IMPOUNDMENT AND IMMOBILIZATION PROGRAM.**

(a) There shall be established in Jackson County a vehicle impoundment and immobilization program pursuant to ORS 809.698 through 809.725.

(b) The County Community Corrections (Probation) Department is hereby delegated the authority to administer the program, including the installation of vehicle immobilization boots as ordered by the court.

(c) Vehicles which are not reclaimed as required pursuant to ORS 809.698 through 809.725 will be disposed of by the County in accordance with the procedures set out in ORS 819.180, 819.190, 819.210, 819.220 and 819.240 to 819.260. The impoundment and sale of vehicles may be carried out by private or governmental agencies other than Jackson County which have entered into a contract with the County for that purpose.

(d) For the purpose of hearings requested pursuant to ORS 819.190, the Community Corrections (Probation) Department shall designate a hearings officer with the prior approval of the County Administrator. If the Department designates the Circuit Court to preside, no prior approval is necessary.

(e) Proceeds from the sale of any vehicle under the provisions of this ordinance shall be paid to the County less an amount sufficient to cover the costs incurred in the sale and the costs and expenses incurred in the removal, preservation and custody of the vehicle. The amount to be deducted may be the subject of the contract required by subsection (c) above.

(Ord. 98-27. Passed 12-16-98)

**410.99 PENALTIES.**

(a) Violation of Section 410.09 is subject, upon conviction, to a fine of not more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for the first violation, and a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a second violation and for each violation thereafter.

(b) Any person violating the rules and regulations promulgated in connection with any other provisions of this chapter shall be subject to the general Code penalty provided for in Section 202.99.

(E. Ord. 93-34. Passed 10-13-93; P. Ord. 93-35. Passed 10-27-93; E. Ord. 2003-29. Passed 10-5-03. P. Ord 2003-28. Passed 10-29-03)



