

CHAPTER 77

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77.01 GENERAL PROHIBITION. No person shall ride or operate roller skates or in-line skates, a skateboard, coaster, sled, toy vehicle or similar device upon any sidewalk, street, public right-of-way, land, property or facility owned or controlled by the City, including but not limited to play streets, except as may be expressly authorized herein. Included in this chapter is a prohibition against the use of such devices in the City's parks.

77.02 PERMITTED AREAS; EXCEPTIONS.

1. A person may ride or operate roller skates or in-line skates, a skateboard, coaster, sled, toy vehicle or similar device upon all public sidewalks and roadways within the residential districts of the City (as defined by the City's Zoning Ordinance), except upon the following roadways: Asbury Road, Hales Mill Road, Radford Road, Saratoga Road, Springgreen Drive, Autumn Drive, Sun Valley (between the intersection of Autumn and Sun Ridge), Eastview Drive, Heacock Road and Seippel Road.
2. The riding and operation of such devices is not permitted on the public sidewalks and roadways in the aforesaid residential districts or upon any private or public property when such property has been posted pursuant to this section.
3. The City Administrator is authorized to post or erect signs, at the owner's expense, prohibiting the riding and operation of such devices in or on those premises for which such a request has been made to, and approved by, the Police Chief.

77.03 PROHIBITED USES. No person riding or operating roller skates or in-line skates or a skateboard, coaster, sled, toy vehicle or similar device shall:

1. Ride or operate such device recklessly or in a manner as to cause danger or injury to oneself or others;
2. Attach the device to or hold onto any other vehicle or device;
3. Participate in any contest of speed or endurance;

4. Perform any acrobatic or fancy stunt or trick;
5. Allow more persons to ride upon the device at any one time than the number of persons for which it was designed;
6. Impede or interfere with the flow of vehicular or bicycle traffic;
7. Use any walk, ramp or access specially designed for use by persons with disabilities;
8. Use any area of public property upon which a sign has been posted prohibiting use of such devices;
9. Wear any headphones or similar device which may impair hearing or vision; or
10. Ride or operate such device after sunset and before sunrise without wearing reflective clothing, arranged or worn in a manner visible from all directions.

77.04 MANDATORY DUTIES. A person riding or operating roller skates or in-line skates, or a skateboard, coaster, sled, toy vehicle, or similar device shall at all times:

1. Obey all stop signs, traffic signals, yield signs and other traffic control devices;
2. When in a roadway, travel to the far right side of the roadway;
3. Yield right-of-way to pedestrians whenever and wherever encountered;
4. Yield to approaching vehicles when entering a roadway; and
5. Proceed with due care and at a safe speed.

77.05 DUTIES OF PARENTS AND GUARDIANS. The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward shall not authorize or knowingly permit such child or ward to violate any of the provisions of this chapter.

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