CHAPTER 10.28
BICYCLES

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10.28.010 Bicycle License Required: No person who resides within the jurisdiction of the city shall ride or propel a bicycle on any highway or upon any public path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles unless such bicycle has been licensed and a license plate or decal is attached thereto as provided in this chapter. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.020 Bicycle License Application: Application for a bicycle license and license plate or decal shall be made upon a form provided by and to the Police Chief. There shall be no fee to register or license a bicycle within the city. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.030 Issuance of Bicycle License:
A. The Police Chief, upon receiving proper application therefor, is authorized to issue a bicycle license which shall be effective for the life of the bicycle.

B. The Police Chief shall not issue a license for any bicycle when he knows, or has reasonable grounds to believe, that the applicant is not the owner of, or entitled to the possession of, such bicycle.

C. The Police Chief shall keep a record of the number of each license, the date issued, and the name and address of the person to whom issued. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.040 Attachment of Bicycle License Plate or Decal:
A. The Police Chief, upon issuing a bicycle license, shall also issue a license plate or decal bearing the license number assigned to the bicycle, and the name of the local authority.

B. Such license plate or decal shall be firmly attached to the frame of the bicycle for which it was issued in such a position as to be plainly visible.

C. No person shall remove a license plate or decal from a bicycle during the period for which it was issued except upon a transfer of ownership or in the event the bicycle is dismantled and no longer operated upon any highway within the jurisdiction of the local authority. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.050 Inspection of Bicycles: The Police Chief, or an officer assigned such responsibility, may inspect each bicycle before licensing the same and may refuse a license for any bicycle which he determines is in unsafe mechanical condition. (Ord. 899, 1978)
10.28.060 Transfer of Ownership: Upon the sale or other transfer of a licensed bicycle, the licensee shall remove the license plate or decal and shall either surrender the same to the Police Chief or may, upon proper application, have such plate or decal assigned to another bicycle owned by the applicant. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.070 Rental Agencies: A rental agency shall not rent or offer any bicycle for rent unless the bicycle is licensed and a license plate or decal is attached thereto as provided in this chapter and such bicycle is equipped with the equipment required by RCW 46.61.780. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.080 Bicycles - Obedience to Traffic-Control Devices:

A. Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic-control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

B. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or U-turn is permitted, no person operating a bicycle shall disobey the direction of any such sign, except where such person dismounts from the bicycle at the right-hand curb or as close as is practicable to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder to make any such turn, in which event such person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.090 Bicycles - Parking: No person shall park a bicycle upon a highway other than as follows:

A. Off the roadway except in designated areas;

B. Upon the sidewalk in a rack to support the bicycle, if provided;

C. Against a building;

D. In such manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic. (Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.100 Bicycles - Riding on Sidewalks:

A. No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk in the area bounded by the southwest side of Chestnut Street to the northeast side of Cedar Street and the northwest side of Broadway Avenue to the southeast side of Third Avenue as shown on the attached map which is incorporated by reference and made a part of this ordinance.

B. A person may ride a bicycle on any other sidewalk or any roadway unless restricted or prohibited by traffic-control devices.

C. Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian. (Ord. 1333, 1988; Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.120 Penalty:

A. Failure to comply with 10.28.100 of this chapter shall subject the violator to the following penalties as they are defined in Chapter 1.08 of this code:

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B. Failure to comply with any other provisions of this chapter shall subject the violator to the general penalties as they are defined in Chapter 1.08 of this code. (Ord. 1333, 1988; Ord. 899, 1978)

10.28.130 Unclaimed Bicycles: All unclaimed bicycles in the custody of the Police Department shall be disposed of as provided in RCW Chapter 63.32. (Ord. 899, 1978)