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' 70.01 OBEDIENCE TO SIGNS.

In any location designated on the official traffic map, no person shall stand or park any vehicle in any place where signs are posted prohibiting parking, nor shall any person park any vehicle longer than the time indicated on any sign restricting parking.

(1989 Code, ' 11-26) Penalty, see ' 10.99

' 70.02 COMPLIANCE WITH STREET MARKINGS.

In any location designated on the official traffic map where the parking or standing of a vehicle is regulated by markings on any street within the town, no person shall park or stand a vehicle in violation of the markings.

(1989 Code, ' 11-27) Penalty, see ' 10.99

' 70.03 PARKING ON PUBLIC SIDEWALKS.

No person shall park any motor vehicle upon the public sidewalks in any manner so as to obstruct the free passage of pedestrians upon the sidewalks. (1989 Code, '11-28) Penalty, see '10.99

' 70.04 PARKING ON LEFT SIDE OF ROADWAY.

No vehicle shall stop, stand, or park with its left side to the curb on any public street, highway or alleyway within the town limits, provided that on one-way streets vehicles may park within 1 foot of the curb on either side of the street, headed only in the direction of traffic while parking, and further provided the parking space is otherwise under state law and the municipal ordinances of the town. (1989 Code, ' 11-29) Penalty, see ' 10.99

CHAPTER 71: REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Section

71.02 Transfer of plates or decals

71.03 Authority of Mayor to facilitate distribution of plates or decals

' 71.01 REQUIRED.

(A) Every motor vehicle owned by a resident of the town and operated in the town, except motor vehicles temporarily operated for periods of time not exceeding a total of 14 days during any 1 year and except motor vehicles operated for display or exhibition purposes by manufacturers of dealers and displaying dealers' license plates issued by the state, shall be registered annually with the Town Clerk within 30 days after any vehicle becomes subject to registration under this chapter, and any registration decal or license plate issued by the Town Clerk as evidence of compliance with this chapter shall be displayed in plain view on the vehicle for which it was issued.

(B) The annual period of registration shall include the 12 months beginning with January 1 of each year, namely, January 1 to December 31.

(C) The fee for registration shall be \$1 which shall not be prorated. (1989 Code, '11-51) Penalty, see '10.99

' 71.02 TRANSFER OF PLATES OR DECALS.

(A) A number plate decal issued upon payment of the fee required by this chapter shall not be transferred from 1 vehicle to another and shall not be used by any person upon any motor vehicle except the 1 for which it was issued, nor shall it be used upon the vehicle except as long as the vehicle remains the property of the person to whom it belongs at the time of registration and in whose name it was registered except that where a motor vehicle has been fully registered and the number plate or decal has been properly issued for the vehicle, the owner of the vehicle may, upon the sale or exchange thereof, transfer the number plate or decal assigned to the vehicle to the purchaser of the vehicle by registering the transfer with the registrar of motor vehicles and the payment of a fee.

(B) Upon the transfer, the transferee of the number plate or decal shall be entitled to use it upon the vehicle purchased. (1989 Code, ' 11-52) Penalty, see ' 10.99

' 71.03 AUTHORITY OF MAYOR TO FACILITATE DISTRIBUTION OF PLATES OR DECALS.

The Mayor is authorized to make arrangements for the issuance of number plates or decals as may be necessary to facilitate the orderly and efficient distribution and purchase thereof. (1989 Code, ' 11-53)

CHAPTER 72: OPERATION OF VEHICLES

Section

- 72.01 Trucks prohibited on certain streets
- 72.02 Operation of vehicles on sidewalks
- 72.03 Signs and traffic control devices

' 72.01 TRUCKS PROHIBITED ON CERTAIN STREETS.

When signs prohibiting the operation of trucks exceeding 5,000 pounds in weight on certain streets have been erected, as indicated on the official traffic map, no truck shall travel on any of the designated streets for any purpose other than the delivery of goods, parcels or materials to premises on the streets. (1989 Code, '11-71) Penalty, see '10.99

' 72.02 OPERATION OF VEHICLES ON SIDEWALKS.

No person shall at any time operate or drive any motor-propelled vehicles, regardless of size or type of construction and including specifically those vehicles commonly referred to as go-carts, upon any sidewalk within the town.

(1989 Code, ' 11-72) Penalty, see ' 10.99

Statutory reference:

Authority to control use of sidewalk, see G.S. ' 160A-300 Driving on sidewalk forbidden, see G.S. ' 20-160(b)

' 72.03 SIGNS AND TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES.

No person shall disregard or fail to obey the directions of any sign requiring a full stop at an intersection or requiring the operator of a vehicle to yield the right-of-way to other vehicles at an intersection or to disregard or fail to obey the directions of any traffic light or other traffic-control device at any intersection or other location.

(1989 Code, ' 11-73) Penalty, see ' 10.99

Statutory reference:

Authority to place traffic-control device, duty to obey same, see G.S. ' 20-158

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CHAPTER 73: SPEED LIMITS

Section

73.01 Applicability

' 73.01 APPLICABILITY.

(A) No person shall drive a vehicle on a street, highway or in a public vehicular area within the municipal corporate limits at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter and Chapter 75, it shall be unlawful to operate a vehicle in excess of 35 mph inside municipal corporate limits for all vehicles.

(C) The fact that the speed of a vehicle is lower than the foregoing limits shall not relieve the driver from the duty to decrease speed when approaching and crossing an intersection, when approaching and going around a curve, when approaching a hill crest, when traveling upon any narrow or winding roadway, or when special hazards exist with respect to pedestrians or other traffic or by reasons of weather or street conditions, and speed shall be decreased as may be necessary to avoid colliding with any person, vehicle or other conveyance on or entering the street or highway, and to avoid causing injury to any person or property either on or off the street or highway, in compliance with legal requirements and the duty of all persons to use due care.

(D) The Board of Aldermen may altar the maximum speed limit on any street or portion thereof which is not a part of the state highway system and which is not maintained by the State Highway Commission in accordance with the provisions of G.S. '20-141, provided that no alteration shall be more than 55 mph. No alteration of the speed limits shall become or remain effective unless signs have been conspicuously placed giving notice of the speed limit for the street.

(E) (1) The speed limitations set forth in this chapter and Chapter 75 shall not apply to vehicles when operated with due regard for safety under the direction of the police in the chase or apprehension of violators of the law or of persons charged with or suspected of any violation, nor to Fire Department or fire patrol vehicles when traveling in response to a fire alarm, nor to public or private ambulances and rescue squad emergency service vehicles when traveling in emergencies, nor to vehicles operated by the

duly authorized officers, agents and employees of the utilities commission when traveling in performance of their duties in regulating and checking the traffic and speed of buses, trucks, motor vehicles and motor vehicle carriers subject to the regulations and jurisdiction of the utilities commission.

(2) These exemptions shall not, however, protect the driver of any vehicle from the consequence of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

(1989 Code, ' 11-91) Penalty, see ' 10.99

Statutory reference:

Speed limits, authority of town, see G.S. ' ' 20-141 et seq.

CHAPTER 74: SKATEBOARDS

Section

74.01 Operation of skateboards

' 74.01 OPERATION OF SKATEBOARDS.

(A) No person shall at any time operate a skateboard upon any sidewalk or public street within the limits of the Town of Rockwell.

(B) Violation of this chapter shall be a misdemeanor punishable as provided by ' 10.99. (Ord. passed 1-7-1991) Penalty, see ' 10.99

CHAPTER 75: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES

Schedule

- Speed near school Speed limits I.
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SCHEDULE I. SPEED NEAR SCHOOL.

Location	Restricted Hours	Speed Limit
Portion of U.S. Highway 52 which extends from the town limits near the Rockwell School in a southeasterly direction for 200 feet	Between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. on days when school is in session	25 mph

(1989 Code, ' 11-92) Penalty, see ' 10.99

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SCHEDULE II. SPEED LIMITS.

Location	Speed Limit
Emanuel Church Road, SR 2338, from the southern corporate limit, which is approximately 0.29 mile south of Highway 52, and extending northward for 0.14 mile	45 mph
SR 2335 (Lower Stone Church Road) from the corporate limit at SR 2334 (Miller Avenue), eastward to SR 2337 (Depot Street)	
SR 2337 (Depot Street) from the southern corporate limit, a point approximately 0.50 mile south of SR 2335 (Lower Stone Church Road), northward for 0.27 mile	55 mph
US 52 (Main Street) from the southern corporate limit, a point approximately 0.27 mile south of SR 2338 (Emanuel Church Road), northward to a point 0.07 mile south of SR 2338 (Emanuel Church Road)	
Liberty Street between Emanuel Church Road and Depot Street	25 mph
Hillcrest Drive between Sunset Drive and Moses Road	25 mph
Lake Drive	25 mph
Ashley Drive	25 mph

(1989 Code, '11-93) (Ord. 92-31, passed 3-20-1992; Am. Ord. passed 6-23-1997; Res. passed 2-9-1998; Res. passed 2-9-1998; Am. Ord. passed 10-8-2001) Penalty, see '10.99

CHAPTER 76: PARKING SCHEDULES

Schedule

I. Parking on certain streets prohibited

SCHEDULE I. PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS PROHIBITED.

(A) No person shall park on the following streets or indicated portions thereof:

Gold Hill Avenue, on the south side, (alongside of First Union National Bank property) from the intersection of U.S. Highway 52 in an eastwardly direction for 82 feet

Market Street, on both sides from its intersection with U.S. Highway 52 (Main Street) in a northerly direction to its intersection with Broad Street

North Carolina Highway 52 (Main Street), on the south side, from its intersection with Crescent Street in an easterly direction until its intersection with Shinn Street and on the south side in front of the property known as 256 East Main Street

North Carolina Highway 152, on the south side from the main track of the Yadkin Railroad near School Street in a westerly direction for four hundred (400) feet

100 block of Poole Street

100 and 200 blocks of North Cherry Street

(B) The town shall cooperate with the State Department of Transportation in having ANo Parking@ signs erected for the portions of streets indicated above.

(1989 Code, '11-30) (Am. Ord. passed 8-6-1990; Am. Res. passed 7-25-2005) Penalty, see '10.99