

TITLE 15

MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAFFIC AND PARKING

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SPEED LIMITS

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15-101. In general. The maximum speed at which a motor vehicle can be operated or driven within the corporate limits shall be 45 miles per hour except for vehicles which are driven or operated on the following streets or public roads:

(1) On the following streets and public roads the maximum speed shall be twenty (20) miles per hour:

- (a) Main Street;
- (b) College Street;
- (c) Bledsoe Street;
- (d) Sunset Drive;
- (e) Driver Subdivision Road;
- (f) Walnut Street;
- (g) Ezell Street;
- (h) Mulberry Street;
- (i) Spring Street;
- (j) Church Street.

(2) On the following streets and public roads the maximum speed shall be thirty (30) miles per hour:

- (a) Grigsby Road;
- (b) Persimmon Island Road;
- (c) Long Avenue;
- (d) George Whitfield Industrial Park Road.

(3) On the following streets and public roads the maximum speed shall be thirty-five (35) miles per hour:

- (a) Market Street;
- (b) Long Road;
- (c) Bluff Street;
- (d) Baugh Road. (Ord. #1-96, Jan. 1996)

15-102. In school zones. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 15-101, on those days when the public schools are in session, the maximum speed on the following streets and public roads shall from 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. be fifteen (15) miles per hour:

- (1) Baugh Road from its intersection with Market Street to its intersection with Long Road;
- (2) Market Street from its intersection with Baugh Road to Beaty Branch;
- (3) College Street from its intersection with Market Street to its intersection with Long Avenue;
- (4) Long Avenue. (Ord. #1-96, Jan. 1996)

CHAPTER 2

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION

15-201. Compliance with financial responsibility law required.

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(1) Every vehicle operated within the corporate limits must be compliant with the financial responsibility law.

(2) At the time the driver of a motor vehicle is charged with any moving violation under title 55, chapters 8-10, parts 1-5, chapter 50; any provision in this title of this municipal code; or at the time of an accident for which notice is required under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-10-106, the officer shall request evidence of financial responsibility as required by this section. In case of an accident for which notice is required under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-10-106, the officer shall request such evidence from all drivers involved in the accident, without regard to apparent, or actual fault.

(3) For the purposes of this section, "financial responsibility" means:

(a) Documentation, such as the declaration page of an insurance policy, an insurance binder, or an insurance card from an insurance company authorized to do business in Tennessee, stating that a policy of insurance meeting the requirements of the Tennessee Financial Responsibility Law of 1977, compiled in Tennessee Code Annotated, chapter 12, Title 55, has been issued;

(b) A certificate, valid for one (1) year, issued by the commissioner of safety, stating that a cash bond or deposit in the amount required by the Tennessee Financial Responsibility Law of 1977, compiled in Tennessee Code Annotated, chapter 12, title 55, has been paid or filed with the commissioner, or has qualified as a self-insurer under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-12-1 11; or

(c) The motor vehicle being operated at the time of the violation was owned by a carrier subject to the jurisdiction of the department of safety or the interstate commerce commission, or was owned by the United States, the State of Tennessee or any political subdivision thereof, and that such motor vehicle was being operated with the owner's consent.

(4) Civil offense. It is a civil offense to fail to provide evidence of financial responsibility pursuant to this section. Any violation of this section is punishable by a civil penalty of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00). The civil penalty prescribed by this section shall be in addition to any other penalty prescribed by the laws of this state, or by the city's municipal code of ordinances.

(5) Evidence of compliance after violation. On or before the court date, the person charged with a violation of this section may submit evidence of compliance with this section in effect at the time of the violation. If the court is

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satisfied that compliance was in effect at the time of the violation, the charge of failure to provide evidence of financial responsibility may be dismissed. (as added by Ord. #05-07, Feb. 2007)