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Under *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-10-307, the following offenses are exclusively state offenses and must be tried in a state court or a court having state jurisdiction: driving while intoxicated or drugged, as prohibited by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-10-401; failing to stop after a traffic accident, as prohibited by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, §§ 55-10-101, *et seq.*; driving while license is suspended or revoked, as prohibited by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-50-504; and drag racing, as prohibited by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-10-501.

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15-101. Motor vehicle requirements. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle within the corporate limits unless such vehicle is equipped with properly operating muffler, lights, brakes, horn, and such other equipment as is prescribed and required by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, title 55, chapter 9. (2002 Code, § 15-101)

15-102. Driving on streets closed for repairs, etc. Except for necessary access to property abutting thereon, no motor vehicle shall be driven upon any street that is barricaded or closed for repairs or other lawful purpose. (2002 Code, § 15-102)

15-103. One-way streets. On any street for one-way traffic with posted signs indicating the authorized direction of travel at all intersections offering access thereto, no person shall operate any vehicle except in the indicated direction. (2002 Code, § 15-104)

15-104. Unlaned streets. (1) Upon all unlaned streets of sufficient width, a vehicle shall be driven upon the right half of the street except:

- (a) When lawfully overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction;
- (b) When the right half of a roadway is closed to traffic while under construction or repair; and
- (c) Upon a roadway designated and signposted by the town for one-way traffic.

(2) All vehicles proceeding at less than the normal speed of traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing shall be driven as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway, except when

overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction or when preparing for a left turn. (2002 Code, § 15-105)

15-105. Laned streets. On streets marked with traffic lanes, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep his vehicle within the boundaries of the proper lane for his direction of travel except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement.

On two (2) lane and three (3) lane streets, the proper lane for travel shall be the right-hand lane unless otherwise clearly marked. On streets with four (4) or more lanes, either of the right-hand lanes shall be available for use except that traffic moving at less than the normal rate of speed shall use the extreme right-hand lane. On one-way streets either lane may be lawfully used in the absence of markings to the contrary. (2002 Code, § 15-106)

15-106. Yellow lines. On streets with a yellow line placed to the right of any lane line or centerline, such yellow line shall designate a no-passing zone, and no operator shall drive his vehicle, or any part thereof, across or to the left of such yellow line except when necessary to make a lawful left turn from such street. (2002 Code, § 15-107)

15-107. Miscellaneous traffic control signs, etc.¹ It shall be unlawful for any pedestrian or the operator of any vehicle to violate or fail to comply with any traffic control sign, signal, marking, or device placed or erected by the state or the town unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order of any police officer invested by law with the authority to direct, control or regulate traffic.

15-108. General requirements for traffic control signs, etc. Pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 54-5-108, all traffic control signs, signals, markings, and devices shall conform to the latest revision of the *Tennessee Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways*,² and shall be uniform as to type and location throughout the town.

¹Municipal code references

Stop signs, yield signs, flashing signals, pedestrian control signs, traffic control signals generally: §§ 15-505--15-509.

²For the latest revision of the *Tennessee Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways*, see the Official Compilation of the Rules and Regulations of the State of Tennessee, § 1680-3-1, *et seq.*

15-109. Unauthorized traffic-control signs, etc. No person shall place, maintain, or display upon, or in view of, any street, any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, or device which purports to be, or is an imitation of, or resembles, an official traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to control the movement of traffic or parking of vehicles, or which hides from view, or interferes with, the effectiveness of any official traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device, or any railroad sign or signal. (2002 Code, § 15-110)

15-110. Presumption with respect to traffic-control signs, etc. When a traffic-control sign, signal, marking, or device has been placed, the presumption shall be that it is official and that it has been lawfully placed by the proper town authority. (2002 Code, § 15-111)

15-111. School safety patrols. All motorists and pedestrians shall obey the directions or signals of school safety patrols when such patrols are assigned under the authority of the Town of Nolensville and are acting in accordance with instructions; provided, that such persons giving any order, signal, or direction shall at the time be wearing some insignia and/or using authorized flags for giving signals. (2002 Code, § 15-112)

15-112. Driving through funerals or other processions. Except when otherwise directed by a law enforcement officer, no driver of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and when such vehicles are conspicuously designated. (2002 Code, § 15-113)

15-113. Clinging to vehicles in motion. It shall be unlawful for any person traveling upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, sled, roller skates, or any other vehicle to cling to, or attach himself or his vehicle to, any other moving vehicle upon any street, alley, or other public way or place. (2002 Code, § 15-114)

15-114. Riding on outside of vehicles. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, or for the owner or operator of any motor vehicle being operated on a street, alley, or other public way or place, to permit any person to ride on any portion of such vehicle not designed or intended for the use of passengers. This section shall not apply to persons engaged in the necessary discharge of lawful duties nor to persons riding in the load-carrying space of trucks. (2002 Code, § 15-115)

15-115. Backing vehicles. The driver of a vehicle shall not back the same unless such movement can be made with reasonable safety and without interfering with other traffic. (2002 Code, § 15-116)

15-116. Projections from the rear of vehicles. Whenever the load or any projecting portion of any vehicle shall extend beyond the rear of the bed or body thereof, the operator shall display at the end of such load or projection, in such position as to be clearly visible from the rear of such vehicle, a red flag being not less than twelve (12) inches square. Between one-half (1/2) hour after sunset and one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise, there shall be displayed in place of the flag a red light plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions at least two hundred feet (200') from the rear of such vehicle. (2002 Code, § 15-117)

15-117. Causing unnecessary noise. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause unnecessary noise by unnecessarily sounding the horn, "racing" the motor, or causing the "screeching" or "squealing" of the tires on any motor vehicle. (2002 Code, § 15-118)

15-118. Vehicles and operators to be licensed. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in violation of the "Tennessee Motor Vehicle Title and Registration Law" or the "Uniform Classified and Commercial Driver License Act of 1988, *Tennessee Code Annotated*, §§ 55-1-101, *et seq.* (modified)

15-119. Passing. Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of a vehicle passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again drive to the right side of the street until safely clear of the overtaken vehicle. The driver of the overtaken vehicle shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

When the street is wide enough, the driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass upon the right of another vehicle which is making, or about to make, a left turn.

The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction either upon the left or upon the right on a street of sufficient width for four (4) or more lanes of moving traffic when such movement can be made in safety.

No person shall drive off the pavement or upon the shoulder of the street in overtaking or passing on the right.

When any vehicle has stopped at a marked crosswalk or at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the street, no operator of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.

No vehicle operator shall attempt to pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction unless he can see that the way ahead is sufficiently clear and unobstructed to enable him to make the movement in safety. (2002 Code, § 15-120)

15-120. Motorcycles, motor driven cycles, motorized bicycles, bicycles, etc. (1) Definitions For the purpose of the application of this section, the following words shall have the definitions indicated:

(a) "Motorcycle." Every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three (3) wheels in contact with the ground, including a vehicle that is fully enclosed, has three (3) wheels in contact with the ground, weighs less than one thousand five hundred pounds (1,500 lbs.), and has the capacity to maintain posted highway speed limits, but excluding a tractor or motorized bicycle.

(b) "Motor-driven cycle." Every motorcycle, including every motor scooter, with a motor which produces not to exceed five (5) brake horsepower, or with a motor with a cylinder capacity not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five cubic centimeters (125cc);

(c) "Motorized bicycle." A vehicle with two (2) or three (3) wheels, an automatic transmission, and a motor with a cylinder capacity not exceeding fifty (50) cubic centimeters which produces no more than two (2) brake horsepower and is capable of propelling the vehicle at a maximum design speed of no more than thirty (30) miles per hour on level ground.

(2) Every person riding or operating a bicycle, motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall be subject to the provisions of all traffic ordinances, rules, and regulations of the city/town applicable to the driver or operator of other vehicles except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application to bicycles, motorcycles, motor driven cycles, or motorized bicycles.

(3) No person operating or riding a bicycle, motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall ride other than upon or astride the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, nor shall the operator carry any other person upon such vehicle other than upon a firmly attached and regular seat thereon.

(4) No bicycle, motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

(5) No person operating a bicycle, motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall carry any package, bundle, or article which prevents the rider from keeping both hands upon the handlebars.

(6) No person under the age of sixteen (16) years shall operate any motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle while any other person is a passenger upon said motor vehicle.

(7) (a) Each driver of a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or motorized bicycle and any passenger thereon shall be required to wear on his head, either a crash helmet meeting federal standards contained in 49 CFR 571.218, or, if such driver or passenger is twenty-one (21) years of age or older, a helmet meeting the following requirements:

(i) Except as provided in subdivisions (a)(ii)-(iv), the helmet shall meet federal motor vehicle safety standards specified in 49 CFR 571.218;

(ii) Notwithstanding any provision in 49 CFR 571.218 relative to helmet penetration standards, ventilation airways may penetrate through the entire shell of the helmet; provided, that no ventilation airway shall exceed one and one-half inches (1 1/2") in diameter;

(iii) Notwithstanding any provision in 49 CFR 571.218, the protective surface shall not be required to be a continuous contour; and

(iv) Notwithstanding any provision in 49 CFR 571.218 to the contrary, a label on the helmet shall be affixed signifying that such helmet complies with the requirements of the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM), the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CSPM), or the Snell Memorial Foundation, Inc..

(b) This section does not apply to persons riding:

(i) Within an enclosed cab;

(ii) Motorcycles that are fully enclosed, have three (3) wheels in contact with the ground, weigh less than one thousand five hundred pounds (1,500 lbs.) and have the capacity to maintain posted highway speed limits;

(iii) Golf carts; or

(iv) In a parade, at a speed not to exceed thirty (30) miles per hour, if the person is eighteen (18) years or older.

(8) Every motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or motorized bicycle operated upon any public way within the corporate limits shall be equipped with a windshield or, in the alternative, the operator and any passenger on any such motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle shall be required to wear safety goggles, faceshield or glasses containing impact resistant lens for the purpose of preventing any flying object from striking the operator or any passenger in the eyes.

(9) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or ride on any vehicle in violation of this section, and it shall also be unlawful for any parent or guardian knowingly to permit any minor to operate a motorcycle, motor driven cycle or motorized bicycle in violation of this section.

15-121. Delivery of vehicle to unlicensed driver, etc.

(1) Definitions. (a) "Adult" means any person eighteen (18) years of age or older.

(b) "Automobile" means any motor-driven automobile, car, truck, tractor, motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, motorized bicycle, or vehicle driven by mechanical power.

(c) "Custody" means the control of the actual, physical care of the juvenile, and includes the right and responsibility to provide for the physical, mental, moral, and emotional well being of the juvenile. "Custody," as herein defined, relates to those rights and responsibilities as exercised either by the juvenile's parent or parents, or a person granted custody by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(d) "Driver's license" means a motor vehicle operator's license or chauffeur's license issued by the State of Tennessee.

(e) "Juvenile" as used in this chapter, means a person less than eighteen (18) years of age, and no exception shall be made for a juvenile who has been emancipated by marriage or otherwise.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any adult to deliver the possession of, or the control of, any automobile or other motor vehicle to any person, whether an adult or a juvenile, who does not have in his possession a valid motor vehicle operator's or chauffeur's license issued by the Department of Safety of the State of Tennessee, or for any adult to permit any person, whether an adult or a juvenile, to drive any motor vehicle upon the streets, highways, roads, avenues, parkways, alleys or public thoroughfares in the Town of Nolensville, unless such person has a valid motor vehicle operator's or chauffeur's license as issued by the Department of Safety of the State of Tennessee.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any parent or person having custody of a juvenile to permit any such juvenile to drive a motor vehicle upon the streets, highways, roads, parkways, avenues or public ways in the town in a reckless, careless, or unlawful manner, or in such a manner as to violate the ordinances of the town. (2002 Code, § 15-122)

15-122. Careless driving. Every person operating a vehicle upon any roadway, street, alley, private or public parking lot or parking area, or any area open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular traffic within the Town of Nolensville shall drive the same in an attentive, careful, and prudent manner, having regard for the width, grade, curves, corners, traffic and use of these streets and private areas, and all other attendant circumstances, so as not to endanger the life, limb or property of any person. Failure to drive in such manner shall constitute careless driving and a violation of this chapter. (2002 Code, § 15-124)

15-123. Compliance with financial responsibility law required.

(1) This section shall apply to every vehicle subject to the state registration and certificate of title provisions.

(2) At the time the driver of a motor vehicle is charged with any moving violation under *Tennessee Code Annotated*, title 55, chapters 8 and 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. For the purposes of this section, "financial responsibility" shall be defined by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-12-139:

(3) It is a civil offense to fail to provide evidence of financial responsibility pursuant to this section. Any violation is punishable by a civil penalty of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00).

(4) The penalty imposed by this section shall be in addition to any other penalty imposed by the laws of this state or this municipal code.

(5) On or before the court date, the person so charged may submit evidence of financial responsibility at the time of the violation. If it is the person's first violation of this section and the court is satisfied that the financial responsibility was in effect at the time of the violation, the charge of failure to provide evidence of financial responsibility shall be dismissed. Upon the person's second or subsequent violation of this section, if the court is satisfied that the financial responsibility was in effect at the time of the violation, the charge of failure to provide evidence of financial responsibility may be dismissed. Any charge that is dismissed pursuant to this subsection shall be dismissed without costs to the defendant and no litigation tax shall be due or collected, notwithstanding any law to the contrary.

15-124. Adoption of state traffic statutes. By the authority granted under *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 16-18-302, the town adopts by reference as if fully set forth in this section, the "Rules of the Road," as codified in *Tennessee Code Annotated*, §§ 55-8-101 to 55-8-131, and §§ 55-8-133 to 55-8-180. Additionally, the town adopts *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-4-101 through 55-4-135, §§ 55-8-181 to 55-8-193, §§ 55-8-199, 55-8-204, §§ 55-9-601 to 55-9-606, § 55-12-139, § 55-21-108, and § 55-50-351 by reference as if fully set forth in this section.

CHAPTER 2

EMERGENCY VEHICLES

SECTION

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15-201. Authorized emergency vehicles defined. Authorized emergency vehicles shall be fire department vehicles, law enforcement vehicles, and such ambulances and other emergency vehicles as are designated by the Town of Nolensville. (2002 Code, § 15-201)

15-202. Operation of authorized emergency vehicles.¹ (1) The exemptions herein granted for an authorized emergency vehicle shall apply only when the driver of any such vehicle, while in motion, sounds an audible signal by bell, siren, or exhaust whistle and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one (1) lighted lamp displaying a red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of five hundred feet (500') to the front of such vehicle, except that an authorized emergency vehicle operated as a law enforcement vehicle need not be equipped with or display a red light visible from in front of the vehicle.

(2) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call, or when in the pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, or when responding to, but not upon returning from, a fire alarm, may exercise the privileges set forth in this section, subject to the conditions herein stated.

(3) The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle may park or stand, irrespective of the provisions of this title; proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down to ascertain that the intersection is clear; exceed the maximum speed limit and disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions so long as he does not endanger life or property.

(4) The foregoing provisions shall not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons, nor shall such provisions protect the driver from the

¹Municipal code reference

Operation of other vehicle upon the approach of emergency vehicles:
§ 15-501.

consequences of his reckless disregard for the safety of others. (2002 Code, § 15-202)

15-203. Following emergency vehicles. No driver of any vehicle shall follow any authorized emergency vehicle apparently traveling in response to an emergency call closer than five hundred feet (500') or drive or park such vehicle within the block where fire apparatus has stopped in answer to a fire alarm. (2002 Code, § 15-203)

15-204. Running over fire hoses, etc. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive over any hose lines or other equipment of the fire department except in obedience to the direction of a firefighter or law enforcement officer. (2002 Code, § 15-204)

CHAPTER 3

SPEED LIMITS

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15-301. In general. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon any highway or street at a rate of speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour except where official signs have been posted indicating other speed limits, in which cases the posted speed limit shall apply. (2002 Code, § 15-301)

15-302. At intersections. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle through any intersection at a rate of speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour unless such person is driving on a street regulated by traffic-control signals or signs which require traffic to stop or yield on the intersecting streets. (2002 Code, § 15-302)

15-303. In school zones. Pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-8-152, the town shall have the authority to enact special speed limits in school zones. Such special speed limits shall be enacted based on an engineering investigation; shall not be less than fifteen (15) miles per hour; and shall be in effect only when property signs are posted with a warning flasher or flashers in operation. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any such special speed limit enacted and in effect in accordance with this paragraph.

In school zones where the board of commissioners has not established special speed limits as provided for above, any person who shall drive at a speed

exceeding fifteen (15) miles per hour when passing a school during a recess period when a warning flasher or flashers are in operation, or during ninety (90) minutes before the opening hour of a school, or a period of ninety (90) minutes after the closing hour of a school, while children are actually going to or leaving school, shall be prima facie guilty of reckless driving. (2002 Code, § 15-303)

15-304. Speed limit on Sunset Road. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Sunset Road within the town limits (from Nolensville Road to Waller Road, Brentwood city limits) at a rate of speed in excess of forty (40) miles per hour. (2002 Code, § 15-304)

15-305. Speed limit on Nolensville Road. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Nolensville Road within the town limits, (from Oldham Drive north to Brittain Plaza) at a rate of speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Nolensville Road within the town limits (from just north of Brittain Plaza to just north of Peoples State Bank) at a rate of speed in excess of forty (40) miles per hour.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Nolensville Road southbound which is the only section within the town limits (from the Davidson County line south to 7001 Nolensville Road) at a rate of speed in excess of forty-five (45) miles per hour to match the existing speed control placed by Metro Nashville Davidson County Government. (2002 Code, § 15-305)

15-306. Speed limit on Nolensville Park Road leading to the park. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Nolensville Park Road within the town limits (from Nolensville Road east to Newsom Lane) at a rate of speed in excess of twenty-five (25) miles per hour. (2002 Code, § 15-306)

15-307. Speed limit on Nolensville Road from the town limit, approximately 215 feet South of York Road, north to existing forty miles per hour speed zone located at 7380 Nolensville Road. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Nolensville Road from the town limit South of York Road to the existing forty (40) miles per hour speed zone established at 7380 Nolensville Road at a rate of speed in excess of forty (40) miles per hour. (2002 Code, § 15-307)

15-308. Speed limit on Nolensville Road from existing forty miles per hour speed zone located at People's State Bank at 7122 Nolensville Road to Burkitt Road. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Nolensville Road from the existing forty (40) miles per

hour speed zone located at 7122 Nolensville Road to Burkitt Road at a rate of speed in excess of forty (40) miles per hour. (2002 Code, § 15-308)

15-309. Speed limit on Nolensville Road from Brittain Plaza, north to the northern-most property line of map: 33, parcel: 108.05, Shoppes at Haley. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle upon Nolensville Road from Brittain Plaza north to a point three hundred feet (300') north of the central line of Kidd Road, at a speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour. (Ord. #19-13, Jan. 2020)

15-310. Speed limit on Rocky Fork Road. The speed limit on Rocky Fork Road is lowered to thirty (30) miles per hour. (Ord. #23-18, Sept. 2023)

15-311. Neighborhood speed limits. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a motor vehicle on any local neighborhood road at a speed in excess of twenty-five (25) miles per hour. The following local neighborhood roads where a speed limit lower than twenty-five (25) miles per hour is established shall remain the same lower speed:

- (1) Ballenger Dr.;
- (2) Cowan Dr.;
- (3) Creekside Dr.;
- (4) Cranberry Ln.;
- (5) Coriander Ct.;
- (6) Peppermint Ln.;
- (7) Inglenook Ct.;
- (8) Daphne Ct.;
- (9) Dandelion Ct.;
- (10) Looking Glass Ln.;
- (11) Pomegranate Pl.;
- (12) Benington Pl.;
- (13) Wolf Creek Dr.;
- (14) Baston Ct.;
- (15) Bering Ct.;
- (16) Pumpkin Ridge Ct.;
- (17) Eaves Ct.;
- (18) Watertown Dr.;
- (19) Oldenburg Rd.;
- (20) Peruvian Ct.;
- (21) Belgian Rd.;
- (22) Delaware Dr.;
- (23) Conoga Dr.;
- (24) Briarcliff Dr.;
- (25) Ashburn Ct.;
- (26) Bristow Dr.;

- (27) Universe Ct.;
- (28) Sister Ct.;
- (29) Steel Ct.;
- (30) Bastante Ct.;
- (31) Tryon Ct.;
- (32) Bucolic Ct.;
- (33) Erlinger Dr.;
- (34) Trammel Dr.;
- (35) Carouth Ct.;
- (36) Fort Lee Ct.;
- (37) Asher Downs Cr.;
- (38) Burke Trail;
- (39) Locust Hollow;
- (40) Redmon Hill;
- (41) Pulley Place;
- (42) Bitticks Creek;
- (43) Maxwell Landing Dr.;
- (44) Jobe Trail;
- (45) Falling Water Rd.;
- (46) Maybelle Pass;
- (47) Christmas Dr.;
- (48) Warren Dr.;
- (49) Jersey Farm Rd.;
- (50) Carrick Ct.;
- (51) Aunt Nannies Pl.;
- (52) Yukon Trail;
- (53) Yellowstone Ct.;
- (54) Fishing Creek;
- (55) Powder Springs Rd.;
- (56) Van Leer Ct.;
- (57) Hebron Trace Dr.;
- (58) Yates Ct.;
- (59) Everett Ct.;
- (60) Dante Ranch Ln.;
- (61) Nevins Pl.;
- (62) Ellis Pl.;
- (63) Dobson Branch Tr.; and
- (64) Dobson Branch Ct. (Ord. #21-21, Aug. 2021)

CHAPTER 4

TURNING MOVEMENTS

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15-401. Generally. No person operating a motor vehicle shall make any turning movement which might affect any pedestrian or the operation of any other vehicle without first ascertaining that such movement can be made in safety and signaling his intention in accordance with the requirements of the state law.¹ (2002 Code, § 15-401)

15-402. Right turns. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn shall be made as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway. (2002 Code, § 15-402)

15-403. Left turns on two-way roadways. At any intersection where traffic is permitted to move in both directions on each roadway entering the intersection, an approach for a left turn shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the centerline thereof and by passing to the right of the intersection of the centerline of the two (2) roadways. (2002 Code, § 15-403)

15-404. Left turns on other than two-way roadways. At any intersection where traffic is restricted to one (1) direction on one (1) or more of the roadways, the driver of a vehicle intending to turn left at any such intersection shall approach the intersection in the extreme left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction of travel of such vehicle, and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to leave the intersection, as nearly as practicable, in the left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in such direction upon the roadway being entered. (2002 Code, § 15-404)

15-405. U-turns. U-turns are prohibited. (2002 Code, § 15-405)

¹State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-8-143.

15-406. Left turn prohibition. A left-turn prohibition is placed into effect as shown on signs to be posted by the town and will be enforced on the following street: Nolensville Road at the Twice Daily entrance which is approximately two hundred feet (200') south of Oldham Drive. Henceforth, left turns both into and out of the driveway shall be prohibited. (2002 Code, § 15-406)

CHAPTER 5

STOPPING AND YIELDING

SECTION

- 15-501. When emerging from alleys, etc.
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15-501. When emerging from alleys, etc. The drivers of all vehicles emerging from alleys, parking lots, driveways, or buildings shall stop such vehicles immediately prior to driving onto any sidewalk or street. They shall not proceed to drive onto the sidewalk or street until they can safely do so without colliding or interfering with approaching pedestrians or vehicles. (2002 Code, § 15-502)

15-502. To prevent obstructing an intersection. No driver shall enter any intersection or marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of such intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle he is operating without obstructing the passage of traffic in, or on, the intersecting street or crosswalk. This provision shall be effective notwithstanding any traffic-control signal indication to proceed. (2002 Code, § 15-503)

15-503. At railroad crossings.¹ Any driver of a vehicle approaching a railroad grade crossing shall stop within not less than fifteen feet (15') from the nearest rail of such railroad and shall not proceed further while any of the following conditions exist:

- (1) A clearly visible electrical or mechanical signal device gives warning of the approach of a railroad train.
- (2) A crossing gate is lowered or a human flagman signals the approach of a railroad train.

¹Municipal code reference

Parking prohibited at railroad crossings: § 15-604(8).

(3) A railroad train is approaching within approximately one thousand five hundred feet (1,500') of the highway crossing and is emitting an audible signal indicating its approach.

(4) An approaching railroad train is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to the crossing. (2002 Code, § 15-504)

15-504. At "stop" signs. (1) The driver of a vehicle facing a "stop" sign shall bring his vehicle to a complete stop immediately before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if there is no crosswalk, then immediately before entering the intersection, and shall remain standing until he can proceed through the intersection in safety.

(2) At the intersection of Cowan and Creekside Drives, in Ballenger Farms Subdivision, a multi-way stop control device shall be installed.

(3) At the intersection of Falling Water Road and Christmas Drive, in the Bent Creek Subdivision, an all-way stop control device shall be installed. (2002 Code, § 15-505, as amended by Ord. #20-03, Feb. 2020)

15-505. At "yield" signs. The drivers of all vehicles shall yield the right-of-way to approaching vehicles before proceeding at all places where "yield" signs have been posted. (2002 Code, § 15-506)

15-506. At traffic-control signals generally. Traffic-control signals exhibiting the words "Go," "Caution," or "Stop," or exhibiting different colored lights successively one (1) at a time, or with arrows, shall show the following colors only, and shall apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

(1) Green alone, or "Go":

(a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at such place prohibits such turn. But vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time such signal is exhibited.

(b) Pedestrians facing the signal may proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

(2) Steady yellow alone, or "Caution":

(a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal is thereby warned that the red or "Stop" signal will be exhibited immediately thereafter, and such vehicular traffic shall not enter or be crossing the intersection when the red or "Stop" signal is exhibited.

(b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(3) Steady red alone, or "Stop":

(a) Vehicular traffic facing the signal shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then before

entering the intersection and shall remain standing until green or "Go" is shown alone; provided, however, that generally a right turn on a red signal shall be permitted at all intersections within the town; provided that the prospective turning car comes to a full and complete stop before turning and that the turning car yields the right-of-way to pedestrians and cross traffic traveling in accordance with their traffic signs. However, said turn shall not endanger other traffic lawfully using said intersection. A right turn on red shall be permitted at all intersections except those clearly marked by a "No Turns On Red" sign, which may be erected by the town at intersections which the town decides require no right turns on red in the interest of traffic safety.

(b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(4) Steady red with green arrow:

(a) Vehicular traffic facing such signal may cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by such arrow but shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within a crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

(b) Pedestrians facing such signal shall not enter the roadway unless authorized so to do by a pedestrian "Walk" signal.

(5) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this section shall be applicable except as to those provisions which, by their nature, can have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the absence of any such sign or marking the stop shall be made a vehicle length short of the signal. (2002 Code, § 15-507)

15-507. At flashing traffic-control signals. (1) Whenever an illuminated flashing red or yellow signal is used in a traffic sign or signal placed or erected in the town it shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:

(a) Flashing red (stop signal). When a red lens is illuminated with intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, or if none, then before entering the intersection, and the right to proceed shall be subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign.

(b) Flashing yellow (caution signal). When a yellow lens is illuminated with intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection or past such signal only with caution.

(2) This section shall not apply at railroad grade crossings. Conduct of drivers of vehicles approaching railroad grade crossings shall be governed by the rules set forth in § 15-504 of this code. (2002 Code, § 15-508)

15-508. At pedestrian control signals. Wherever special pedestrian control signals exhibiting the words "Walk" or "Wait" or "Don't Walk" have been placed or erected by the town, such signals shall apply as follows:

(1) "Walk". Pedestrians facing such signal may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the signal and shall be given the right-of-way by the drivers of all vehicles.

(2) "Wait" or "Don't Walk". No pedestrian shall start to cross the roadway in the direction of such signal, but any pedestrian who has partially completed his crossing on the walk signal shall proceed to the nearest sidewalk or safety zone while the wait signal is showing. (2002 Code, § 15-509)

15-509. Stops to be signaled. No person operating a motor vehicle shall stop such vehicle, whether in obedience to a traffic sign or signal or otherwise, without first signaling his intention in accordance with the requirements of the state law,¹ except in an emergency. (2002 Code, § 15-510)

15-510. Obedience to traffic control devices. (1) The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control device applicable thereto placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, unless otherwise directed by a traffic or police officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle.

(2) It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to leave the roadway and travel across private property, or public property devoted to other than highway use, to avoid compliance with an official traffic signal or an official traffic sign or for the purpose of avoiding obedience to directions given by a police officer or any traffic regulation or ordinance, or for the sole purpose of passing from one (1) street, alley, or highway to another. (2002 Code, § 15-511)

¹State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 55-8-143.

CHAPTER 6

PARKING

SECTION

- 15-601. Generally.
- 15-602. Angle parking.
- 15-603. Occupancy of more than one space.
- 15-604. Where prohibited.
- 15-605. Loading and unloading zones.
- 15-606. Presumption with respect to illegal parking.

15-601. Generally. No person shall leave any motor vehicle unattended on any street without first setting the brakes thereon, stopping the motor, removing the ignition key, and turning the front wheels of such vehicle toward the nearest curb or gutter of the street.

Except as hereinafter provided, every vehicle parked upon a street within this town shall be so parked that its right wheels are approximately parallel to, and within eighteen inches (18") of, the right edge or curb of the street. On one-way streets where the town has not placed signs prohibiting the same, vehicles may be permitted to park on the left side of the street, and in such cases the left wheels shall be required to be within eighteen inches (18") of the left edge or curb of the street.

Notwithstanding anything else in this code to the contrary, no person shall park or leave a vehicle parked on any public street or alley within the fire limits between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 5:00 A.M., or on any other public street or alley for more than seventy-two (72) consecutive hours without the prior approval of the Town of Nolensville.

Furthermore, no person shall wash, grease, or work on any vehicle, except to make repairs necessitated by an emergency, while such vehicle is parked on a public street. (2002 Code, § 15-601)

15-602. Angle parking. On those streets which have been signed or marked by the town for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at the angle indicated by such signs or markings. No person shall angle park any vehicle which has a trailer attached thereto or which has a length in excess of twenty-four feet (24'). (2002 Code, § 15-602)

15-603. Occupancy of more than one space. No person shall park a vehicle in any designated parking space so that any part of such vehicle occupies more than one (1) such space or protrudes beyond the official markings on the street or curb designating such space unless the vehicle is too large to be parked within a single designated space. (2002 Code, § 15-603)

15-604. Where prohibited. No person shall park a vehicle in violation of any sign placed or erected by the state, county, or town, nor:

- (1) On a sidewalk, public way, or trail;
- (2) In front of a public or private driveway;
- (3) Within an intersection;
- (4) Within fifteen feet (15') of a fire hydrant;
- (5) Within a pedestrian crosswalk;
- (6) Within twenty feet (20') of a crosswalk at an intersection;
- (7) Within thirty feet (30') upon the approach of any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway;
- (8) Within fifty feet (50') of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;¹
- (9) Within twenty feet (20') of the driveway entrance to any fire station, and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station within seventy-five feet (75') of such entrance when properly signposted;
- (10) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;
- (11) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- (12) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;
- (13) In a parking space clearly identified by an official sign as being reserved for the physically handicapped, unless, however, the person driving the vehicle is:
 - (a) Physically handicapped; or
 - (b) Parking such vehicle for the benefit of a physically handicapped person. A vehicle parking in such a space shall display a certificate of identification or a disabled veteran's license plate issued under *Tennessee Code Annotated*, title 55, chapter 21.
- (14) Parking shall be prohibited on one (1) side of the public streets, with prohibited side being designated by the mayor or his designee, for public streets with pavement widths twenty-four feet (24') or less excluding the Nolensville standard local street with twenty-four feet (24') of pavement and thirty inches (30") curb and gutter;
- (15) On public property, on private properties used for business or industrial purposes, or on mobile home park property that is not stored inside a fully enclosed structure or similarly enclosed area designed and approved for such purposes, or that is not parked or stored in a safe manner on a paved or graveled improved driveway area, excluding a sidewalk;

¹Municipal code reference

Stopping and yielding at railroad crossings: § 15-504.

(16) At the public trailhead parking lot located at 7284 Nolensville Road for a time period exceeding two (2) hours and between the hours of 10:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M.;

(17) Parking is prohibited on both sides of Old Clovercroft Road from Nolensville Road to King Street and on the west side of King Street from Old Clovercroft Road to Sam Donald Court.

(18) On the sidewalk side of Looking Glass Lane, Dandelion Court, and Creekside Drive in the Ballenger Farms subdivision;

(19) On the East side of Bradfield Drive Monday - Friday 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.; and

(20) No parking or standing on both sides of Nolen Meade Place from Rocky Fork Road to Crossfield Drive and on both sides of Nolenmeade Court, Monday - Friday from 7:00 to 9:00 A.M. and from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. (2002 Code, § 15-604, as amended by Ord. #20-06, May 2020, Ord. #23-10, June 2023, Ord. 23-15, Aug. 2023, and Ord. #23-16, Aug. 2023)

15-605. Loading and unloading zones. No person shall park a vehicle for any purpose or period of time other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers or merchandise in any place marked by the town as a loading and unloading zone. (2002 Code, § 15-605)

15-606. Presumption with respect to illegal parking. When any unoccupied vehicle is found parked in violation of any provision of this chapter, there shall be a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of the vehicle is responsible for such illegal parking. (2002 Code, § 15-606)

CHAPTER 7

ENFORCEMENT

SECTION

- 15-701. Issuance of traffic citations.
- 15-702. Failure to obey citation.
- 15-703. Illegal parking.
- 15-704. Impoundment of vehicles.
- 15-705. Disposal of abandoned motor vehicles.
- 15-706. Violations and penalty.

15-701. Issuance of traffic citations.¹ When a law enforcement officer halts a traffic violator other than for the purpose of giving a warning, and does not take such person into custody under arrest, he shall take the name, address, and operator's license number of said person, the license number of the motor vehicle involved, and such other pertinent information as may be necessary, and shall issue to him a written traffic citation containing a notice to answer to the charge against him in the town court at a specified time. The officer, upon receiving the written promise of the alleged violator to answer as specified in the citation, shall release such person from custody. It shall be unlawful for any alleged violator to give false or misleading information as to his name or address. (2002 Code, § 15-701)

15-702. Failure to obey citation. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to violate his written promise to appear in court after giving said promise to an officer upon the issuance of a traffic citation, regardless of the disposition of the charge for which the citation was originally issued.

(2) A fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be assessed; provided the defendant waives his/her right to a judicial hearing. No court cost, with the exception of the five dollar (\$5.00) electronic citation fee under § 3-202, will be assessed for parking violations. (2002 Code, § 15-702, as amended by Ord. #21-19, June 2021)

15-703. Illegal parking. Whenever any motor vehicle without a driver is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by this code, the officer finding such vehicle shall take its license number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its user, and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a citation for the driver and/or owner

¹State law reference

Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 7-63-101, et seq.

to answer for the violation within thirty (30) days during the hours and at a place specified in the citation. (2002 Code, § 15-703)

15-704. Impoundment of vehicles. Members of the law enforcement department are hereby authorized, when reasonably necessary for the security of the vehicle or to prevent obstruction of traffic, to remove from the streets and impound any vehicle whose operator is arrested, or any unattended vehicle which is parked so as to constitute an obstruction or hazard to normal traffic, or which has been parked for more than one (1) hour in excess of the time allowed for parking in any place, or which has been involved in two (2) or more violations of this title for which citation tags have been affixed to the vehicle and the vehicle not removed. Any impounded vehicle shall be stored until the owner or other person entitled thereto claims it, gives satisfactory evidence of ownership or right to possession, and pays all applicable fees and costs of impoundment and storage, or until it is otherwise lawfully disposed of. (2002 Code, § 15-704)

15-705. Disposal of abandoned motor vehicles. "Abandoned motor vehicles," as defined in *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 55-16-103, shall be impounded and disposed of by the Town of Nolensville in accordance with the provisions of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, §§ 55-16-103 to 55-16-109. (2002 Code, § 15-705)

15-706. Violations and penalty. Any violation of this title shall be a civil offense punishable as follows:

- (1) Traffic citations. Traffic citations shall be punishable by a civil penalty up to fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each separate offense.
- (2) Other parking violations excluding handicapped parking. For other parking violations excluding handicapped parking, the offender may, within thirty (30) days, have the charge against him disposed of by paying to the town recorder a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00); provided he waives his right to a judicial hearing. No court cost will be assessed for parking violations. (2002 Code, § 15-707)

CHAPTER 8

**OPERATION OF HEAVY OR LARGE VEHICLES ON TOWN STREETS
WITHIN RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS PROHIBITED****SECTION**

15-801. Definition of vehicle.

15-802. Heavy truck traffic prohibited on certain streets.

15-803. Signs posted.

15-804. Violations and penalty.

15-801. Definition of vehicle. "Vehicle" means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is, or may be, transported or drawn upon street, road, highway or public thoroughfares, excepting devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks. (2002 Code, § 15-801)

15-802. Heavy truck traffic prohibited on certain streets. (1) For the purpose of this section, a "heavy truck" is defined to be any vehicle whose gross vehicle weight exceeds twenty thousand (20,000) pounds.

(2) All heavy trucks will be prohibited from the following streets: All streets entering or intersecting streets within the Greystone/Stonebrook, McFarlin Woods Subdivision and on future developments within the Nolensville area as designated by resolution by the board of commissioners from this point forward.

(3) The following categories are exempt from the prohibition of this section:

(a) The operation of heavy trucks upon any street where necessary to the conduct of business at a destination point within the town; provided streets designated as truck routes are used until reaching the intersection nearest the destination point;

(b) The operation of heavy trucks owned or operated by the town, any contractor or materialman, while under contract to the town while engaged in the repair, maintenance, or construction of streets, street improvements, or street utilities within the town;

(c) The operation of school buses and buses used to transport persons to and from a place of worship, which run a designated route; and

(d) The operation of emergency vehicles upon any street in the town.

(4) A truck prohibition as shown on signs to be posted by the town will be enforced on the following streets: Old Clovercroft Road from Nolensville Road to Sam Donald Road. (2002 Code, § 15-802)

15-803. Signs posted. Signs shall be posted on the entrances to each of the streets listed in § 15-802(2) indicating, either by words or by appropriate symbols, that heavy trucks are prohibited from traveling upon said streets. (2002 Code, § 15-803)

15-804. Violations and penalty. Any violation of this chapter shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the first offense and fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the second offense. (2002 Code, § 15-804)