

Chapter 112, BICYCLES

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Mamaroneck 1-25-1971, EN effective 2-5-1971. Section 112-12 amended at time of adoption of Code; see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I. Other amendments noted where applicable.]

§ 112-1. Registration decal required; nonresidents.

No person shall operate or use or permit to be operated or used or rent for use a bicycle upon any of the public highways, streets, avenues, parks or public places in the Village of Mamaroneck without first obtaining a registration decal therefore; provided, however, that such requirement shall not apply to a nonresident of the Village of Mamaroneck whose bicycle has been registered or licensed by some other governmental subdivision of the State of New York.

§ 112-2. Report by seller of sale.

Any person, firm, partnership or corporation engaged in the business of selling new or secondhand bicycles within the village shall report each such sale to the Chief of Police of the village within four (4) days after the delivery of such bicycle, provided that the purchaser of the bicycle is a local resident.

§ 112-3. Issuance of registration decals; safety requirements.

The Chief of Police of the village, the Superintendents of the Mamaroneck and Rye Neck public schools and the principals of the private schools in the village or their authorized agents shall issue registration decals for each calendar year, upon application by the bicycle owner, but such registration decal shall be issued only after inspection of the bicycle by the person issuing the decal and only if and when said person is satisfied that the bicycle complies with minimum

safety requirements, including but not limited to adequate brakes, adequate reflectors on front and rear of bicycle, properly adjusted seat, tight-fitting chain, wheels free of friction against fork or other portions of the bicycle and tires with sufficient thread to accomplish efficient stopping, and that the applicant is familiar with the laws relating to bicycle operation. All bicycle owners under the age of nineteen (19) years shall register their bicycles annually. All other bicycle owners shall register bicycles owned by them only once.

§ 112-4. Submission of application.

Every application for registration shall be prepared and signed by the applicant and submitted on forms prescribed by the Chief of Police.

§ 112-5. Placement of registration decal.

The decal shall be placed on the main frame of the bicycle in such place as the person issuing the decal shall determine, preferably on the steering column.

§ 112-6. Transfer of registration.

Any person who sells or transfers ownership of any bicycle registered in accordance with the preceding sections hereof shall report such sale to the Police Department, including the date of transfer, the name and address of the person to whom transferred and the registration number of the bicycle so transferred. The transferee of such bicycle shall be required to register the same with the Police Department within seven (7) days after such transfer.

§ 112-7. Rentals.

The provisions of this chapter relating to the registration of bicycles shall be applicable and binding upon any person, firm or corporation which engages in the practice of renting bicycles.

Such persons or organizations shall be required to comply with the provisions hereof as if personally operating such a bicycle within the Village of Mamaroneck.

§ 112-8. License fee.

There shall be no license fee for each bicycle registered by the Police Department.

§ 112-9. Report of school registration.

School-registered bicycles shall be reported by the person issuing the decal, within forty-eight (48) hours after issuance of registration, to the Chief of Police of the Village of Mamaroneck.

Such report shall be made in the manner and form prescribed by the Chief of Police.

§ 112-10. Impoundment.

Any bicycle operated in the Village of Mamaroneck on and after March 1, 1971, which has not been registered as provided herein may be impounded for such period of time as the Chief of Police may determine, not in excess of fifteen (15) days, and such bicycle will not be released from impoundment until evidence of ownership has been presented and until a registration decal has been obtained under the provisions of this chapter.

§ 112-11. Operation and equipment standards.

Each applicant for registration of a bicycle agrees that, as a condition of registration, he will comply with all applicable vehicle and traffic laws of the state and with the following:

- A. Any person operating a bicycle shall obey all official traffic control signals, signs and other control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.
- B. Every person riding a bicycle upon a public highway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by the laws of this state

declaring rules of the road applicable to vehicles or by the Traffic Ordinance of this village applicable to the driver of a vehicle. EN

- C. A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than astride and seated upon a permanent seat attached thereto.
- D. No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one (1) time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.
- E. Every person operating a bicycle upon the roadway of a public highway shall ride as near to the right-hand side of such roadway as practicable and shall not ride two (2) abreast, except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles. Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such path and shall not use the roadway.
- F. No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.
- G. No person riding upon a bicycle shall attach the same or himself to any vehicle upon a roadway.
- H. No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the rider from keeping at least one (1) hand upon the handlebars.
- I. No person shall ride a bicycle upon any public sidewalk within the Village of Mamaroneck.
- J. No person shall park a bicycle upon a public street other than upon the roadway against the curb or upon the sidewalk in a rack to support the bicycle or against a building or at the curb in such a manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic.

K. Every bicycle on a public highway shall be equipped and maintained in compliance with § 79 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York.

§ 112-12. Penalties for offenses. [Amended 3-23-1987 by L.L. No. 5-1987, effective 4-2-1987]
Any person, firm or corporation, other than a bicycle owner or user under nineteen (19) years of age, who violates any of the provisions hereof shall be liable to a forfeiture to the Village of Mamaroneck in a sum not in excess of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.) or imprisonment not exceeding fifteen (15) days, or both, for each such violation. In addition thereto and regardless of age, the Chief of Police may suspend, for good cause, including unsafe operation, any registration issued hereunder and impound the bicycle during such suspension.