

## CHAPTER 15

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## Article I. In General

### Sec. 15-1. Driving in a funeral procession.

Each driver in a funeral procession shall drive as near to the right-hand edge of the roadway as practical and follow the vehicle ahead as close as is practical and safe. The headlights of each vehicle in such funeral procession shall be turned on. (5-19-69, art. 1, div. 1, S1)

Sec. 15-2. Driving through funeral procession.

No driver of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral procession. (5-16-69, art. 1, div. 1, S2)

Article II. Parades

Division 1. Generally

Sec. 15-3. Definitions.

For the purpose of this article, the following words and terms shall have the meaning respectively ascribed to them by this section:

Parade. The word "parade" shall be taken to mean any parade, march, ceremony, show, exhibition, pageant or procession of any kind, or any similar display, in or upon any street, including the sidewalk area thereof, park or other public place in the Town.

Parade Permit. The term "parade permit" shall be taken to mean a permit as required by this article. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 1, S1)

Sec. 15-4. Driving through parades; single-file parades on sidewalk areas.

No driver of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles or persons comprising a parade when such vehicles or persons are in motion or conspicuously designated as a parade; except, that this portion shall not apply to single-file parades on the sidewalk areas of the town, where vehicular traffic and those constituting the parade shall be required to obey all traffic-control signals, unless otherwise directed by a police officer. This section shall not be construed to apply to funeral processions. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 1, S2)

Sec. 15-5. Parking on route of parade.

The Chief of Police shall have the authority, when reasonably necessary, to prohibit or restrict parking of vehicles along a street or part thereof constituting a part of the route of a parade. The Chief of Police shall post signs to such effect, and it shall be unlawful for any person to park or leave unattended any vehicle in violation thereof. No person shall be liable for a violation of this section when parking on an unposted street. (5-9-69, art.

1, div. 2, subdiv. 1, S3)

Sec. 15-6. Obstructing, etc., parades.

No person shall unreasonably hamper, obstruct or impede or interfere with any parade or parade assembly or with any person, vehicle or animal participating or used in a parade. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 1, S4)

Division 2. Parade Permits

Sec. 15-7. Required.

No person shall engage in, participate in, aid, form or start any parade unless a parade permit shall have been obtained from the Chief of Police, nor shall any person engaging in any parade for which a parade permit has been issued violate any of the conditions or provisions of such permit; provided, that no such permit shall be required for the following:

- A. Funeral processions.
- B. Students going to and from school classes or participating in educational activities, if such conduct is under the immediate direction and supervision of the proper school authorities.
- C. Governmental agencies acting within the scope of their functions. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S1)

Sec. 15-8. Filing of application.

A person seeking issuance of a parade permit as required in this division shall file an application with the Chief of Police not less than three (3) days nor more than thirty (30) days before the date on which it is proposed to conduct a parade; provided, that the Chief of Police, where good cause is shown therefor, shall have the authority to consider any such application hereunder which is filed less than three (3) days before the date such parade is proposed to be conducted. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S2)

Sec. 15-9. Form and contents of application.

The application for a parade permit, filed as provided in the preceding section, shall be filed on forms furnished by the Chief of Police. Such application shall set forth the following information:

A. The name, address and telephone number of the person seeking to conduct the parade in question.

B. If the parade is proposed to be conducted for, on behalf of, or by an organization, the name, address and telephone number of the headquarters of the organization and of the authorized and reasonable head of such organization.

C. The name, address and telephone number of the person who will be the parade chairman and who will be responsible for its conduct.

D. The date when the parade is to be conducted.

E. The route to be traveled, the starting point and the termination point.

F. The approximate number of persons who, and animals and vehicles which, will constitute such parade; the type of animals and description of the vehicles.

G. The hours when such parade will start and terminate.

H. A statement as to whether the parade will occupy all or only a portion of the width of the streets proposed to be traversed.

I. The location by streets of any assembly areas for such parade.

J. The time at which such units of the parade will begin to assemble at any such area or areas.

K. The interval or space to be maintained between units of such parade.

L. If the parade is designed to be held by and on behalf of, or for any person other than the applicant, the applicant for such permit shall file with the Chief of Police a

communication in writing from the person proposing to hold the parade, authorizing the applicant to apply for the permit on his behalf.

M. Any additional information which the Chief of Police shall find reasonably necessary to a fair determination as to whether a permit should be issued. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S3)

Sec. 15-10. When Chief of Police to act upon application; notice of denial of permit.

The Chief of Police shall act upon the application for a parade permit within two (2) days after the filing thereof. If the Chief of Police disapproves the application, he shall mail to the applicant in question, within two (2) days after the date upon which the application was filed, a notice of his action, stating the reasons for this denial of the parade permit applied for. (5-9-69, art.. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S4)

Sec. 15-11. Issuance of permit and standards therefor.

The Chief of Police shall issue a permit as required in this division when, from a consideration of the application therefor and from such other information as may otherwise be obtained, he finds that:

- A. The conduct of the parade will not substantially interrupt the safe and orderly movement of the traffic, pedestrian and vehicular, contiguous to its route.
- B. The conduct of the parade will not require the diversion of so great a number of police officers of the Town to properly police the line of movement and the areas contiguous thereto as to prevent normal police protection to the Town.
- C. The concentration of person, animals and vehicles at assembly points of the parade will not unduly interfere with proper fire and police protection of areas contiguous to such assembly areas.
- D. The conduct of such parade will not interfere with the movement of firefighting equipment en route to a fire.
- E. The conduct of the parade is not reasonably likely to cause injury to persons or property, to provoke disorderly conduct or create a disturbance.

F. The parade is scheduled to move from its point of origin to its point of termination expeditiously, without unreasonable delays en route and without passing by any location more than once.

G. That if the parade is to be solely on the sidewalk areas of the Town, such parade shall be in single file only of persons participating, with no animals, vehicles or other non-human objects, except reasonably-sized signs, individually carried in the line of procession. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S5)

#### Sec. 15-12. Limitation of hours.

No permit shall be granted under this division for a parade to convene before 8:00 o'clock A.M. or terminate after 8:00 o'clock P.M. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S6)

#### Sec. 15-13. Appeal to Town Council from denial.

Any person aggrieved shall have the right to appeal the denial of a parade permit by the Chief of Police to the Town Council. The appeal shall be taken within forty-eight (48) hours after notice. The Town Council shall act upon the appeal at its next regularly scheduled meeting, but no later than twenty (20) days from the time of receipt of the appeal. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S7)

#### Sec. 15-14. Alternate permits.

The Chief of Police in denying an application for a parade permit, may authorize the conduct of the parade on a day, at a time or over a route different from that named by the applicant. An applicant deciding to accept an alternate permit shall, within two (2) days after notice of the action of the Chief of Police, file a written notice of acceptance with the Chief of Police. An alternate parade permit shall conform to the requirements of and shall have the effect of a parade permit under this division. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S8)

#### Sec. 15-15. Contents of permit.

Each parade permit issued pursuant to this division shall state the following information:

A. Starting time.

- B. Minimum speed.
- C. Maximum speed.
- D. Maximum interval of space to be maintained between units of the parade.
- E. The portion of the streets to be traversed that may be occupied by the parade.
- F. The maximum length of the parade in miles or fractions thereof.
- G. Such other information as the Chief of Police shall find necessary for the enforcement of this article.

(5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S9)

Sec. 15-16. Sending copies to Mayor, Council Members, etc.

Immediately upon the issuance of a parade permit, the Chief of Police shall send a copy thereof to the Mayor, Council Members, the Fire Chief and the general manager or responsible head of each public transportation utility, the regular routes of the vehicles of which will be affected by the route of the parade in question. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S10)

Sec. 15-17. Revocation.

The Chief of Police shall have the authority to revoke a parade permit issued under this division upon the violation of the standards for issuance, as set forth in section 15-11. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S11)

Sec. 15-18. Possession of permit by parade chairman, etc.

The parade chairman or other person heading or leading the activity being conducted pursuant to a permit issued pursuant to this division shall carry the parade permit in question upon his person during the conduct of the parade. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S12)

Sec. 15-19. Compliance by permittee with permit directions, etc.

A permittee under this division shall comply with all permit directions and conditions and with all applicable laws, the provisions of this Code and other ordinances of the Town. (5-9-69, art. 1, div. 2, subdiv. 2, S13)