

Chapter 78 TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES [11](#)

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State Law reference— *Michigan Vehicle Code, MCL 257.1 et seq.; powers of local authorities, MCL 257.606 et seq.*

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[Sec. 78-1. Vehicle Code adopted.](#)

[Sec. 78-2. Uniform traffic Code adopted; amendments and revisions.](#)

[Sec. 78-3. Passing of Vehicles.](#)

Sec. 78-1. Vehicle Code adopted.

- (a) The Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.1 to 257.923), is adopted by reference.
- (b) The references in the Michigan Vehicle Code to "local authorities" shall mean the city.
- (c) The penalties provided by the Michigan Vehicle Code are adopted by reference; provided, however, that the city may not enforce any provision of the Michigan Vehicle Code for which the maximum period of imprisonment is greater than 93 days, or a fine in excess of (\$500.00).

Sec. 78-2. Uniform traffic Code adopted; amendments and revisions.

- (a) The Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages, as promulgated by the director of the Michigan Department of State Police, pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, (MCL 24.201 to 24.328), and made effective October 30, 2002, and all future amendments and revisions to the Uniform Traffic Code, when they are promulgated and effective in this state, are incorporated by reference.
- (b) References in the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages to a "governmental unit" shall mean the city.
- (c) The penalties provided by the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages are adopted by reference.

Sec. 78-3. Passing of Vehicles.

Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the following rules shall govern a driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle proceeding in the same direction:

- (a) If there is more than one lane for traffic proceeding in the same direction, move the vehicle to the lane to the immediate left, if the lane is available and moving into the lane is reasonably safe.
- (b) If there is only one lane for traffic proceeding in the same direction, pass to the left of the person operating a bicycle at a safe distance, which must be not less than five (5) feet between any portion of the vehicle and the bicycle, and shall not move again to the right side of the roadway until the vehicle is safely clear of the overtaken person operating a bicycle. If there is not enough room on the roadway to allow for a five-foot separation, motorists are directed to slow down and, considering the safety of the bicyclist, proceed with caution.

- (c) The driver of a motor vehicle may drive to the left of the center of a roadway, including when a no passing zone is marked, to pass a person operating a bicycle only if the roadway to the left of the center is unobstructed for a sufficient distance to permit the driver to pass the person operating the bicycle safely and avoid interference with oncoming traffic. This paragraph does not authorize driving on the left side of the center of the roadway when otherwise prohibited by local ordinance or state law.

Any person violating the provisions of this Section shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction.

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Sec. 78-51. Parking violations bureau.

A parking violations bureau under the provisions of section 8395 of the Revised Judication Act of 1961 (MCL 600.8395) is hereby established. The parking violations bureau shall be in the office of clerk and the city clerk shall be the violations clerk for the bureau. The bureau shall be empowered to accept pleas of guilty in parking violation cases and to collect and retain fines and costs as prescribed in this division.

Sec. 78-52. Acceptance of fine and plea of guilty.

Any person charged with a parking violation may within the time specified on the ticket mail or deliver the amount of the fine and costs indicated on the ticket for the violation, together with a signed plea of guilty and a waiver of trial, to the violations clerk. If the amount of the fine and costs indicated on the ticket is not mailed or delivered within ten days the amount of the costs shall be increased by \$2.00. If the amount of the fine and costs indicated on the ticket is not mailed or delivered within 20 days the amount of the fine and costs shall be doubled. Acceptance of the fine and plea of guilty by the parking violations bureau shall be deemed complete satisfaction for the violation. Nothing herein contained shall deprive any person of the right to a full and impartial hearing in court should such person so desire.

Sec. 78-53. Schedule of fines and costs.

The schedule of fines and costs for parking violations shall be as established by annual resolution adopted by the city council.