CHAPTER 71: BICYCLES

Section

- 71.01 Definitions
- 71.02 Registration requirements

§ 71.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

BICYCLE. A vehicle with two tandem wheels, neither of which are less than 20 inches in diameter, with solid or pneumatic tires, having a steering bar or wheel, a saddle seat and propelled by human power.

DEALER IN BICYCLES. Any person engaged in the sale of bicycles at retail or wholesale.

LICENSEE. Any person who procures from the Town Clerk-Treasurer a registration plate for a bicycle, together with a registration card accompanying same.

OPERATOR. The use, putting into action or causing to function of a bicycle by a person mounted thereon.

REGISTRATION PLATE. A reflective tag issued by the Town Clerk-Treasurer bearing the license number.

RENTAL AGENCY. Any person engaged in the business of offering for rental and renting bicycles for hire by the public. (Prior Code, § 10.40.010)

§ 71.02 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS.

(A) It shall be voluntary for any person to operate a bicycle upon any street, sidewalk or other public place in the town without having first registered the bicycle and secured a license therefor.

- (B) (1) Application for a registration for a bicycle shall be made by the owner in writing upon blank forms furnished by the Town Clerk-Treasurer.
- (2) The application shall be signed by the owner and, if the owner is a person under 18 years of age, the signature shall be witnessed by a parent of the owner; or if no parent is living, then by the legal guardian of the owner; the application shall state the full name and address of the owner of the bicycle, the name of manufacturer, the serial number of the frame thereof, the approximate date when the owner obtained title thereto, and if not new when obtained, the name and address of the person from whom it was obtained.
- (3) The application shall be presented to the Town Marshal. The bicycle to be registered and licensed shall be brought to the Town Hall at the time of presenting the application for the purpose of examination.
- (C) (1) The Town Marshal or some person authorized by him or her shall examine the bicycle, and if he or she finds the mechanical condition thereof such that it can be safely operated, and that it is equipped with the lights and attachments as herein provided, and further finds that the statements made in the application are true, he or she shall mark the application and duplicate approved, attach his or her signature and return the same to the applicant. This applicant shall thereupon file the application with the Town Clerk-Treasurer and pay a registration fee of \$.50.
- (2) The Town Clerk-Treasurer shall, upon receiving the application and license fee, issue to the owner of the bicycle a registration card which shall contain the name and address of the owner and the description of the bicycle contained in the application. The applicant shall affix his or her signature to the registration card when issued in the presence of the Town Clerk-Treasurer, who shall with the certificate, also issue to the owner a reflective license plate which shall contain the words Knightstown, Indiana and the number of the license and indicate the year of issuance. The registration card and the license plate shall be attached to the bicycle on the front thereof immediately below the steering bar or wheel.
- (3) After the issuance of the registration card and plate, the Town Clerk-Treasurer shall endorse, upon the application and the duplicate, the date of issuance and the number thereof; the original application shall be kept on file in the office of the Town Clerk-Treasurer and the duplicate thereof shall be delivered to the Town Marshal and shall be kept on file in his or her office.
- (D) The license so issued shall be effective for one year. The license year shall be from October 1 to September 30.
- (E) (1) When any bicycle which has been registered and licensed, as herein provided, is sold or is otherwise disposed of, or destroyed, the licensee shall immediately surrender to the Town Marshal the registration card and the license plate issued therefor, with the name and address of the new owner, if any, written of the face of the registration card; and the Town Marshal shall immediately make proper

endorsements thereof on his or her records and deliver the card and plate to the Town Clerk-Treasurer, who shall immediately make proper endorsements on his or her records, retain the card and plate and issue a new card and plate to the new owner free of charge.

- (2) The number of any license surrendered as provided in this section shall not be reissued.
- (F) The licensee shall report immediately to the Town Marshal the loss or destruction of the license plate of the licensee and the circumstances surrounding the loss or destruction thereof. With the approval of the Town Marshal, the Town Clerk-Treasurer shall issue a duplicate license plate upon payment of a fee of \$.25. (Prior Code, § 10.40.020)