

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE  
ORDINANCE NO. ????  
(Enacted )

**CREATING NEW ORDINANCE Chapter**  
**CHAPTER 32 -**  
**STREETS AND SIDEWALKS**

**32:01. - Pedestrian passage.**

At least 5 feet of sidewalk space shall be kept clean and clear for the free passage of pedestrians and if the building operations are such that such free passageway is impracticable, a temporary plank sidewalk with substantial railings or sidewalk shelter built providing safe passage around such obstruction.

**32:02. - School crossing guards.**

- (1) Designation of crossing guard intersection. The Chief of Police, or his/her designee, is hereby authorized to designate certain intersections within the Village of Stockbridge, as crossing guard intersections. Such intersections may be serviced by a crossing guard at times set by the Chief of Police or his/her designee. In determining which intersections should be so designated, the Chief of Police, or his/her designee shall take into account the following factors: (1) the vehicle gap pattern; (2) the volume of pedestrian traffic; (3) the speed limit of the streets; (4) the availability of traffic control devices with pedestrian signals; (5) vehicle and sight distance; (6) alternate routing available; (7) the number of vehicle turning movements; (8) the age and grade of the school children using the intersection; (9) any other factors the Chief of Police or his/her designee deems important to the safety of the school children. The weight to be given each factor shall be determined by the Chief of Police or his/her designee. A list of those intersections so designated shall be on file with the Village Clerk.
- (2) Appointment. The Chief of Police or his/her designee is hereby authorized to appoint school crossing guards to service designated crossing guard intersections.

- (3) Duties, qualifications, removal and compensation of school crossing guards. The Chief of Police or his/her designee shall promulgate rules and regulations concerning the duties, qualifications and removal of the school crossing guards. The crossing guards shall perform their duties under the direction of the Police Department and in compliance with said rules and regulations. School crossing guards shall have the authority to stop traffic so that school children and pedestrians can cross designated intersections.
- (4) Badges, dress, insignia and equipment. School crossing guards shall wear such badges, dress and insignia as the Chief of Police or his/her designee shall direct and shall be equipped in the manner which said chief or designee deems necessary for the proper discharge of their duties.
- (5) Unlawful exercise of authority by guards. It shall be unlawful for any school crossing guard to exercise his/her authority as such guard or to wear the uniform or insignia or to display his/her badge in an attempt to exercise his/her authority, except during the performance of actual authorized duty.
- (6) Impersonation of guards. It shall be unlawful for any person not duly appointed and sworn in as a school crossing guard to impersonate such officer or to wear, carry or display the badge, designated dress or insignia of a school crossing guard.
- (7) Duty to stop. No driver of any vehicle shall willfully fail or refuse to obey a school crossing guard's lawful order to stop when the school crossing guard is in a school crossing and is holding a stop sign in an upright position visible to approaching vehicular traffic.

**32-03. - Protection of blind pedestrians.**

It shall be unlawful for any person, except persons wholly or partially blind, to carry or use upon the public streets and highways of the City of Ann Arbor any canes or walking sticks which are white in color or white with red end or bottom: provided, that such canes or walking sticks may be used upon the streets, highways and other public places of the city by persons wholly or partially blind as a means of protecting them and for the purpose of identifying them to drivers of vehicles and operators of motor driven vehicles and other pedestrians with whom they come in contact on such streets, highways and public places.

- (a) Any driver of a vehicle, operator of a motor driven vehicle or pedestrian who approaches or comes in contact with a person who is wholly or partially blind carrying a cane or walking stick white in color or white with red end or bottom shall immediately come to a full stop and take such precautions before proceeding as may be necessary to avoid accident or injury to the person so carrying a white cane or walking stick.
- (b) Any person, other than a person wholly or partially blind, who shall carry such a cane or walking stick as described in above contrary to the provisions of this section 10:40 or who shall fail to heed the approach of any person so carrying such a white cane or walking stick or 1 white in color with red end or bottom or who shall fail to come to a stop upon approaching or coming in contact with a person so carrying such a cane or walking stick or who shall fail to take precaution against accident or injury to such person after coming to a full stop as provided herein, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this section 10:40 and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$25.00 and costs of prosecution or in default of the payment of such fine and costs, be imprisoned in the Washtenaw County jail for a period not to exceed 10 days.

**32-04 - Pedestrians crossing streets.**

- (a) When traffic-control signals are not in place or are not in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall stop before entering a crosswalk and yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian stopped at the curb, curb line or ramp leading to a crosswalk and to every pedestrian within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is on the half of the roadway on which the vehicle is traveling or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger.
- (b) A pedestrian shall not suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into a path of a vehicle that is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield.
- (c) Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

**32:05. - Safety; sidewalks; pedestrians; impoundment.**

- (1) A person operating a personal mobility vehicle on a sidewalk, or a pedestrian crosswalk shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and shall give an audible signal before overtaking and passing a pedestrian.
- (2) A person shall not operate a personal mobility vehicle if prohibited by a traffic control device or order.
- (3) A person operating a personal mobility vehicle upon a sidewalk, or a pedestrian crosswalk has the same rights and responsibilities applicable to a pedestrian using that sidewalk or crosswalk (per MVC 257.660c).
- (4) A person operating a personal mobility vehicle on a sidewalk shall not operate in a careless or negligent manner likely to endanger any persons or property.
- (5) Absent a Village contract or franchise, and subject to the remainder of this section, a person may park a personal mobility vehicle only in the manner that would be lawful for a bicycle, per MVC.
- (6) A person shall not park a personal mobility vehicle in a manner inconsistent with this title or in any manner that would permit its seizure and impoundment, per MVC.
- (7) An individual may park a personal mobility vehicle on a highway or street at any location where parking is allowed for motor vehicles, may park at any angle to the curb or the edge of the highway, and may park abreast of another personal mobility vehicle, per MVC.
- (8) An individual shall not park a personal mobility vehicle on a highway or street in such a manner as to obstruct the movement of a legally parked motor vehicle, per MVC.
- (9) Absent a Village contract to the contrary:
  - (a) Any personal mobility vehicle left or parked in a street, Village Municipal Code, may be seized and impounded by the city if: (i) it impedes the flow of vehicular, or any other, traffic, (ii) is parked inconsistent with any city ordinance, resolution, sign, traffic control device, or traffic control order, (iii) remains left for more than 72 hours, (iv) is left by a person arrested or otherwise detained by city police, or (v) appears to a reasonable person to be stolen.

(b) Any impounded personal mobility vehicle may be recovered only upon presentation of proof of ownership of the personal mobility vehicle and upon payment of fees set by the City Administrator.

(10) After a personal mobility vehicle is impounded, if the city knows the identity of its owner and the owner's address, the city shall, within a reasonable time, give that owner written notice of the impoundment at their last known address.

(11) The Village may sell, or otherwise dispose of, any impounded personal mobility vehicle if such vehicle remains unrecovered more than 6 months after its impoundment.

(12) A person operating a personal mobility device, shall not carry any article that impairs or prevents the person's control of the vehicle.

(13) A personal mobility vehicle shall not be operated in such a manner that exceeds the number of persons for which it was designed.

(14) A person riding a personal mobility vehicle on a street or highway shall be granted all of the rights, and shall be subject to all of the duties, applicable to the driver of a vehicle under this code and state law.

(15) The village Council may by resolution designate locations and times at and during which personal mobility vehicles may not be operated. The restrictions contained in any such resolution shall be posted on signs within the area designated by the resolution.

**32:06. - Safe passing of bicyclists, pedestrians, and persons in wheelchairs.**

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the driver of a motor vehicle, when passing a bicyclist who is proceeding on the roadway in the same direction as the vehicle, shall pass the bicyclist at a safe distance, which, shall be at least a 5-foot separation between the right side of the driver's vehicle, including all mirrors or other projections, and the left side of the bicyclist.

(2) The driver of a motor vehicle, when passing a bicyclist who is lawfully proceeding on the left side of the roadway in the same direction as the vehicle, shall pass the bicyclist at a safe distance,

which shall be at least a 5-foot separation between the left side of the driver's vehicle, including all mirrors or other projections, and the right side of the bicyclist.

- (3) The driver of a motor vehicle, when passing a bicyclist who is proceeding in the opposite direction of motor vehicle traffic on a one-way street and who is in a contra-flow bicycle lane on the left side of the street, shall pass the bicyclist at a safe distance, which shall be at least a 5-foot separation between the left side of the driver's vehicle, including all mirrors or other projections, and the left side of the bicyclist.
- (4) The driver of a motor vehicle, when passing a bicyclist who is proceeding in the opposite direction of motor vehicle traffic on a one-way street and who is in a contra-flow bicycle lane on the right side of the street, shall pass the bicyclist at a safe distance, which shall be at least a 5-foot separation between the right side of the driver's vehicle, including all mirrors or other projections, and the right side of the bicyclist.
- (5) The driver of a motor vehicle, when passing a pedestrian on the roadway, shall pass the pedestrian at a safe distance, which shall be at least a 5-foot separation between the side of the vehicle nearest the pedestrian and the side of the pedestrian nearest the vehicle.
- (6) The driver of a motor vehicle, when passing a person in a wheelchair on the roadway, shall pass the person at a safe distance, which shall be at least a 5-foot separation between the side of the vehicle nearest the wheelchair and the side of the wheelchair nearest the vehicle.
- (7) For purposes of this section, "contra-flow bicycle lane" means a bicycle lane that provides for bicycle travel in the opposite direction of motor vehicle traffic on a one-way street.

Adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Village of Stockbridge held on November 7, 2022.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Village of Stockbridge

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By: Molly Howlett  
Its: Village President

**Certification of Clerk**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Stockbridge, County of Ingham, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 7th day of November, 2022, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the Minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act, and the foregoing Ordinance was published in a newspaper of local circulation on \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Village of Stockbridge

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