

LMCO Chapters 72 & 74 Updates

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LMCO Ch. 72 & 74

Current Ordinance

Chapter 72: Parking Regulations

- Regulates where and how automobiles should park on the street.

Chapter 74: Bicycles, Motorcycles, and All-Terrain Vehicles

- Regulates operation of all vehicles that are not automobiles.
 - Bicycles
 - Powered Bicycles
 - Skateboards
 - Segways
 - Motorscooters
 - Motorcycles/ATVs/Mopeds

LMCO Ch. 72

Current Limitations

Current Ordinance prohibits the installation of infrastructure that meets national best practice standards and creates safe streets for all.

Chapter 72: Parking Regulations

- Requirement to park “**within six (6) inches of and parallel to the curb**” prohibits the installation of parking protected bikeways, a national best practice to increase safety for cyclists, scooters, pedestrians, and motorists (National Association of City Transportation Officials).



LMCO Ch. 74

Current Limitations

Current Ordinance prohibits the installation of infrastructure that meets national best practice standards and creates safe streets for all.

Chapter 74: Bicycles, Motorcycles, and All-Terrain Vehicles

- Outdated/missing definitions
- No regulation for new transportation technologies (i.e. electric scooters and electric bicycles)
 - **Only “non-motorized” vehicles allowed in designated bikeways, prohibiting electric scooters and bicycles.**
- Does not meet national best practices laid out in Louisville Metro policies
 - Dockless Vehicle Policy
 - **Directs dockless vehicles to operate on the street and in bikeways, and prohibits operation on sidewalks.**
 - Complete Streets Policy
 - Bike Master Plan



LMCO Ch. 72 Updates Summary

§72.034 – Manner of Parking

- Alters language to allow for parking protected bikeways.

72.034.B.2: *“When there is an on-street bikeway...no vehicle shall be parked or left standing upon the right-hand side of the one-way or two-way street unless its two right wheels are within six (6) inches of and parallel with the **outside line of the buffer area between the bikeway and the parking zone.**”*

§72.035 – Limitations of Stopping and Parking

- Adds “within a bikeway” to list of prohibited parking/stopping areas.
 - *Protects bikeways from obstruction by cars, increasing safety for all users.*



LMCO Ch. 74 Updates

Summary

§74.01 – Definitions (New Section)

- Consolidates definitions into a single section that applies to entire chapter.
- Defines new terms **powered bicycle, powered micro-mobility vehicle, electric bicycle, roller skates, and skateboard.**

§74.02 – Operation of Bicycles and Electric Bicycles

- Adds **electric bicycles** to existing regulations.

§74.025 – Segways

- Eliminate section.
 - *Segways are now included in the definition and subject to the regulations for **powered micro-mobility vehicles.***

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Summary

§74.03 – Operation of Motorcycles, Powered Bicycles, and Powered Micro-Mobility Vehicles

- Updates to language to include **powered bicycles** and **powered micro-mobility vehicles** in existing regulations.
- Requires all dockless powered micro-mobility vehicles adhere to **Louisville Metro's Dockless Vehicle Policy**.

§74.04 (Old) – Skating and Coasting

- Eliminate section.
 - *Outdated language with terms that are not defined.*

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Summary

§74.04 (New) – Designation of Bikeways

- Designates bikeways for the sole use of **bicycles, electric bicycles, roller skates, skateboards** and **powered micro-mobility vehicles**.
 - *Previous language designated bikeways for “nonmotorized” vehicles, which prohibited vehicles like electric bicycles and electric scooters.*

§74.05 – Clinging to Vehicles

- Add **electric bicycle, skateboard, and powered micro-mobility vehicle** to existing regulation.

§74.06 – Operation of Skateboards

- Removes the prohibition of skateboards in the **Downtown form district**.
 - *Prohibition is in direct conflict with new language in §74.04 that allows skateboards to operate in bikeways.*
 - *Maintains prohibition of skateboards in publicly-owned parking lots and parking structures.*

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Summary

§74.07 – Protective Helmet Required

- Eliminate Definitions section. Covered under new Definitions section §74.01.
- Eliminate sub-section (C) Civil Enforcement.
 - *Penalty for violating §74.07 moved to section §74.99: PENALTY. Updated according to Metro Council Ordinance No.007, Series 2020, which requires periodic review of penalty provisions.*

§74.08, §74.09, §74.10, §74.98

- No changes.

§74.99 – Penalty

- Clarifies that all violations shall be classified as a **civil offense** and shall be enforced through the Code Enforcement Board, with fines **not less than \$25 or more than \$100** (except for violations of §74.07).
- Defines the civil penalty for violating §74.07 Protective Helmet Required as **\$25 for each violation after the first**, which shall be a warning citation.
 - *Updates to penalty provisions pursuant to Metro Council Ordinance No.007, Series 2020.*