

ORDINANCE NO. 269-26

UPDATING, AMENDING, AND CODIFYING TITLE 6 – MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC OF THE IRRIGON MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE CITY OF IRRIGON, OREGON

WHEREAS, the City Charter authorizes the City of Irrigon to exercise authority within the city over matters of City concern; and

WHEREAS, the City of Irrigon Municipal Code needs to be maintained and updated accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the City of Irrigon previously adopted various chapters within Title 6 for the Irrigon Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the City published proper public notice as required by City Charter; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRRIGON ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Title of Ordinance

This Ordinance shall be known, and may be cited, by Title 6 – Motor Vehicles and Traffic.

Section 2. Affected Document

The following exhibit, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby adopted as follows:

1. Exhibit [1] updating, amending, and codifying Title 6 - Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Chapters 1-4 of the Irrigon Municipal Code of the City of Irrigon.

Section 3. Method of Codification

The method of codification is loose-leaf type for binding together with the continuous, whereby each newly adopted ordinance of a general and permanent nature amending, altering, adding or deleting provisions of the official city code is identified by the proper catchline and is inserted in the proper place in each of the official copies, certified as to correctness and available for the inspection at any and all times that said office is regularly open.

Section 4. Changes, Use, Amendments

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to change or amend by additions or deletions, any part or portion of such code, or to insert or delete pages or portions thereof, or to alter or tamper with such code in any manner whatsoever which will cause the law of the city to be misrepresented thereby. All ordinances of a general nature included in this Title shall be considered as a continuation of said provision(s) and the fact that some provisions have been eliminated or amended by the governing body shall not serve to cause any interruption in the continuous effectiveness of ordinances included in the official city code. All ordinances, franchises, and ordinances shall continue in full force and effect

EXHIBIT 1

TITLE 6

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

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CHAPTER 1

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- 6-1-9 Penalties

6-1-1: **SHORT TITLE:** This title may be cited as the *IRRIGON TRAFFIC ORDINANCE*. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-1-2: **DEFINITIONS:** In addition to definitions in the Oregon vehicle code, the following mean:

BUS STOP: A roadway space designated by sign for use by buses to load or unload passengers.

HOLIDAY: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and any other day proclaimed by the governing body to be a holiday. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

LOADING ZONE: A roadway space designated by sign for loading or unloading passengers or materials during specified hours of specified days.

MOTOR TRUCK: A motor vehicle with a maximum combined vehicle and load weight over ten thousand (10,000) pounds that is designed or used to carry freight, property, articles or things.

NON TRAFFIC RATED EQUIPMENT: Equipment that is not approved for licensing or allowed under Federal Highway Standards or Oregon DMV certifications. Such "equipment" may be an Electric Bike, electric or motorized scooter, or mini-truck. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

PERSON:	A natural person, firm, partnership, association or corporation.
STREET:	Highway, road, or street as defined in Oregon Revised Statutes 801.110, 801.305, 801.450 and 801.524, including the entire width of the right of way and those noted within the jurisdictional authority of the City of Irrigon. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)
TAXICAB STAND:	A roadway space designated by sign for taxicab use.
TRAFFIC LANE:	That area of the roadway used for a single line of traffic movement. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997;)

6-1-3: **POWERS OF GOVERNING BODY:**

- A. Local Authority: Subject to state laws, the governing body shall exercise all local traffic authority for the city except those powers expressly delegated by this chapter or another ordinance.
- B. Powers Enumerated: The powers of the governing body include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Designation of through streets and/or highway.
 - 2. Designation of one-way streets, two-way streets, lanes, or cul de sacs.
 - 3. Designation of truck routes.
 - 4. Designation of parking zones.
 - 5. Restriction of the use of certain streets by any class or kind of vehicle to protect the streets from damage or excess traffic.
 - 6. Authorization, by resolution, of greater maximum weights or lengths than specified by state law for vehicles using city streets or roads.
 - 7. Initiation of proceedings to change speed zones.
 - 8. Revision of speed limits in parks, school zones, or other traffic areas allowed by law or ordinance.
 - 9. Temporary closure or blocking of streets.
 - 10. Designation of certain streets as bridle paths and prohibit horses and animals on other streets.

11. Establishment of bicycle lanes and paths and traffic controls for such facilities. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997; Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-1-4: **DUTIES OF CITY MANAGER:** The City Manager or designee shall exercise the following duties:

- A. Traffic Control Devices: Implement ordinances, resolutions and motions of the governing body and the council's orders by installing, maintaining, removing and altering traffic control devices. Installation shall be based on standards contained in the "Manual On Uniform Traffic Control Devices For Streets And Highways And The Oregon Supplements".
- B. Classes Of Traffic Controls: Establish, remove or alter the following classes of traffic controls:
 - 1. Crosswalks, safety zones and traffic lanes.
 - 2. Intersection channelization and areas where vehicle drivers shall not make right, left or U-turns and the time when the prohibition applies.
 - 3. Parking areas and time limitations, including the form of permissible parking (e.g., parallel or diagonal).
- C. Oversize Vehicle Permits: Issue oversize or overweight vehicle permits.
- D. Temporary Closing Or Blocking Of Streets: Temporarily close or block streets. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997; Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-1-5: **PUBLIC DANGER; TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES:**

- A. Installation Of Temporary Devices: Under conditions constituting a danger to the public, the City Manager or City Public Works Director or their respective designees may install temporary traffic control devices. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)
- B. Nonfunctioning Devices: Nonfunctioning traffic control devices shall be treated as an all-way stop by vehicle operators on all affected streets. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-1-6: **STANDARDS FOR DETERMINING CITY REGULATIONS:** The regulations of the City Council, City Manager or City Public Works Director or designees shall be based on: (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

- A. Traffic engineering principles and traffic investigations.
- B. Standards, limitations and rules promulgated by the Oregon Transportation Commission.
- C. Other recognized traffic control standards. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

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6-1-7: **AUTHORITY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIRE OFFICERS:** If a fire or other public emergency occurs, officers of the law enforcement and fire departments may direct traffic as conditions require, notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-1-8: **IMPOUNDMENT OF VEHICLES:**

- A. Disposition Of Towed Vehicles: Disposition of a vehicle towed and stored under provision of state law for the removal of hazardous vehicles shall be in accordance with provisions of state law, Irrigon, or Morrow County ordinances on impoundment and disposition of abandoned vehicles.
- B. Citation Issuance: Impoundment of a vehicle does not preclude issuance of a citation for violation of a provision of this title.
- C. Stolen Vehicles: Stolen vehicles may be towed from public or private property and stored at the expense of the vehicle owner. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-1-9: **PENALTIES:**

Traffic Provisions and Parking Regulations: Violation of the provisions of this title is punishable by fines in accordance with those set forth by the Irrigon Municipal Court or in accordance with established fees as noted in the Master Fee Schedule of Title 1. Future penalty adjustments may be made by separate resolutions. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

CHAPTER 2

GENERAL TRAFFIC PROVISIONS

SECTION:

- 6-2-1 Crossing Private or Public Property
- 6-2-2 Unlawful Riding
- 6-2-3 Damaging Sidewalks, Multiuse Paths, and Curbs
- 6-2-4 Storing Vehicles or Equipment on Streets
- 6-2-5 Excessive Noise and Jake/Exhaust Brakes
- 6-2-6 Trucks and Commercial Vehicles Over Certain Roads

6-2-1: **CROSSING PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY:** The operator of a highway authorized vehicular nonfederal licensed equipment shall not proceed from one street to an intersecting street by leaving the roadway and crossing private or public property. This provision does not apply to the operator of a vehicle who stops on the property to procure or provide goods or services. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997; Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-2-2: **UNLAWFUL RIDING:**

- A. Riding On Outside Of Vehicle or nonfederal equipment: The operator shall not permit a passenger to, and no passenger shall, ride on a street except within a part of the vehicle/equipment designed or intended for the use of passengers. This provision does not apply to an employee engaged in the discharge of a duty or to a person riding within a truck body in space intended for merchandise. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)
- B. Boarding Or Alighting From Vehicle/Equipment: No person shall board or alight from a vehicle/equipment while it is in motion on a street. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997; Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-2-3: **DAMAGING SIDEWALKS, MULTI USE PATHS AND CURBS:**

- A. Sidewalks/Multi Use Paths: The operator of a motor vehicle, state approved ATV, or electric bike or electric or motorized scooter shall not drive on a sidewalk or roadside planting strip except to cross at an authorized permanent or temporary driveway. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)
- B. Curbs: No person shall remove a portion of a curb or move a motor vehicle or a device moved by a motor vehicle onto a curb or sidewalk without first obtaining authorization and posting bond, if required by ordinance. A person who causes damage shall be responsible for the cost of repair. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-2-4: **STORING VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT ON STREETS:** No person shall store, or permit to be stored, a motor vehicle/equipment or personal property on a street or other public

property where temporary vehicle parking is authorized more than seventy-two (72) hours without permission of the governing body. Failure to move a motor vehicle or other personal property for seventy-two (72) hours constitutes prima facie evidence of storage. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-2-5: EXCESSIVE NOISE AND JAKE/EXHAUST BRAKES:

A. Jake/Exhaust Brakes:

1. Definition: A "dynamic braking device", commonly referred to as a "jake brake" is a device used primarily on trucks and buses which converts the motor into an air compressor for the purpose of vehicle braking without the use of wheel brakes.
2. Prohibition: It shall be unlawful to operate any motor vehicle in excess of ten thousand (10,000) pounds' gross vehicle registration weight within the city with a dynamic braking device engaged.

B. Excessive Tire Noise:

1. Definition: "Excessive tire noise" shall mean noise generated through the rapid acceleration of a motor vehicle in a manner which causes it to break traction causing squealing, screeching, or other like noise or a similar noise generated by excessive speed around corners or straightaways.
2. Prohibition: It shall be unlawful to operate any motor vehicle in such a manner as to cause excessive tire noise, except in the case of an emergency situation which requires such activity in an attempt to avoid imminent danger.

C. Parked Motor Vehicles/Equipment With Motor Running:

1. Definition: A "parked motor vehicle", shall mean a motor vehicle of ten thousand (10,000) pounds' gross vehicle registration weight or more with the motor or attached auxiliary equipment in operation.
2. Prohibition: It shall be unlawful to operate such a vehicle while parked alongside a public right of way inside a residential district or immediately adjacent to a private residence with the motor and/or auxiliary equipment in operation except for an emergency reason. It shall also be unlawful to operate said vehicle on private property in such a manner as to be plainly audible within any dwelling unit. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)
3. Exception: This shall not apply to commercial construction equipment, the normal operation of vehicles designed and used for commercial transportation of passengers, and vehicles being loaded or unloaded. Such construction may perform duties or operation between the hours of 7:00am through 7:00pm. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

D. Off Road Vehicles On Public Property:

1. Definition: "Off road vehicle" shall mean any motor vehicle designed for or capable of cross country travel on or immediately over land, water, sand, snow, ice, marsh, swampland or other natural terrain.

2. Prohibition: It shall be unlawful to operate an off road recreational motor vehicle (ATV) on public properties unless the property has been designated for off road recreational use pursuant to city code or authorized herein.

E. Penalties: Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a violation punishable by fines in accordance with those set forth by the Irrigon Municipal Court or in accordance with established fees as noted in Title 1. Each day that a violation continues is a separate offense. (Ord. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-2-6: **TRUCKS AND COMMERCIAL VEHICLES OVER CERTAIN ROADS:**

A. Definitions:

1. **Commercial Truck:** Any motor vehicle used for commercial/business/agriculture purposes, or a truck used to or with advertisement and business affiliation, whether permanent or temporary, having a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of 17,500 pounds or greater, also including but not limited to any vehicle carrying hazardous materials or solid waste. Commercial trucks are also those primarily designated or used for carrying loads other than passengers. Such trucks are restricted only to the designated truck routes as noted in section 4 of this ordinance and exempted per section (2) of this ordinance.

2. **No Truck Road:** A road or street on which commercial trucks are prohibited, and the road is posted and/or designated as "No Through Trucks."

3. **Truck Route:** A road or street on which commercial trucks are authorized and designated for commercial usage.

4. **Parking or Standing:** Leaving of a commercial truck along a roadway overnight, temporarily for limited hours where commercial trucks are not allowed, save those noted in Exemptions below or where and when allowed by law or DOT rules.

5. Jake or Exhaust Brakes: Operating a dynamic braking device. A "dynamic braking device", commonly referred to as a "jake brake" is a device used primarily on trucks and buses which converts the motor into an air compressor for the purpose of vehicle braking without the use of wheel brakes. Such action is not permitted within the boundaries of the City of Irrigon.

B. Exemptions:

1. Commercial trucks may be permitted and operated on roads and streets not designated as truck routes under Section 1 as follows:

- i. Operation of authorized emergency vehicles.
- ii. Emergencies declared by public officials or public act.
- iii. For the operation of commercial vehicles involved in picking up or discharging goods at a business establishment or residence in the City from a non-designated street/route.
- iv. Service vehicles, RV's, Utility Trailers and Horse Trailers not pulled by a semi-tractor rig are allowed.
- v. Utility vehicles when responding to emergencies or when installing, repairing, or maintaining a public utility or accessed from a non-designated street.
- vi. Commercial Truck may operate to service construction sites accessed from a non-designated street.
- vii. Garbage and recycling collection commercial trucks when providing services to premises accessed from a non-designated street.
- viii. When re-routed by the City or pursuant to the City's approval as a result of an emergency situation, construction on or along a truck route, or other circumstances requiring a detour.
- ix. City development permitting process for the exempting of any businesses within the commercial zone(s).

2. Except in an emergency as described in subsection 2(a)(i) and (ii) or when directed to use a specific route as described in subsection 2(a)(vii), a commercial truck lawfully operating off a truck route pursuant to subsection 2(a) of this section shall use the most direct route to and from the closest designated truck route.

C. Posting of Restrictions: Signs shall be posted stating no thru trucks of 17,500 pounds rated GVWR. Signs shall be posted at locations determined by the City of Irrigon City Manager or designee and pursuant to ORS 810.050(3) and (4).

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- D. Truck Routes: Initial truck routes are US 730, SE Fifteenth St., SE Division St., the first 120 feet South of US 730 on SE First St., and NE Main Ave. After the effective date of this ordinance, the City Council may by council resolution or ordinance, add a street to or remove from the list of designated truck routes in accordance with City Charter, Ordinances, Resolutions, and Code.
- E. Severability. Various parts, sections, paragraphs, and subsections, sentences, phrases, and clauses thereof are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, section, paragraph, subsection, sentence, phrase, or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected.
- F. Penalty. Any person in violation of this Title shall be fined in accordance with the City Master Fee Schedule for the initial penalty upon passage of this ordinance. Future penalty adjustments may be made by separate resolutions. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 222-14 amended, 10-20-2015)

CHAPTER 3

PARKING REGULATIONS**SECTION:**

- 6-3-1 Method of Parking
- 6-3-2 Prohibited Parking or Standing
- 6-3-3 Prohibited Practices
- 6-3-4 Use of Loading Zone
- 6-3-5 Authorized Emergency Vehicles
- 6-3-6 Lights on Parked Vehicles
- 6-3-7 Extension on Parking Time
- 6-3-8 Exemptions
- 6-3-9 Penalty

6-3-1: METHOD OF PARKING:

- A. Distance From Curb; Use Of Parking Space: When parking spaces are designated on a street or public lot, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than in the direction of the traffic flow and in such manner that the front vehicle tire closest to the curb is located within twelve inches (12") of the curb and within a single marked space, unless the size or shape of the vehicle makes compliance impossible.
- B. Priority In Taking Parking Space: The operator who first begins maneuvering a motor vehicle into a vacant parking space on a street or public lot has priority to park in that space, and no other vehicle operator shall attempt to interfere.
- C. Parking Near Building Where Fire Department Summoned: When the operator of a vehicle discovers the vehicle is parked close to a building to which the fire department has been summoned, the operator shall immediately remove the vehicle from the area unless directed otherwise by police or fire officers. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-3-2: PROHIBITED PARKING OR STANDING: No person shall park or stand:

- A. A vehicle in violation of the Oregon vehicle code or in violation of a parking limitation device.
- B. A vehicle in an alley, except for a stop of not more than thirty (30) consecutive minutes for loading or unloading persons or material.
- C. A motor truck on a street in front of, or adjacent to, a residence, motel, apartment house, hotel that is not providing delivery or loading. Such action shall be during the course of

the business described and for very limited action with no overnight or long-term standing.. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997: Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-3-3: **PROHIBITED PRACTICES:** No operator shall park a vehicle, and no owner shall allow a vehicle to be parked on a street or other public property for the principal purpose of:

- A. Displaying the vehicle for sale.
- B. Repairing or servicing the vehicle, except while making repairs necessitated by an emergency.
- C. Displaying temporary advertising from the vehicle.
- D. Selling merchandise from the vehicle, except when authorized¹. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-3-4: **USE OF LOADING ZONE:** No person shall park or stand a vehicle in a place designated as a loading zone when the hours applicable to that loading zone are in effect for any purpose other than loading or unloading persons or materials. Such a stop shall not exceed the time limits posted. If no time limits are posted, use of the zone shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-3-5: **AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES:**

- A. The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call or when in pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law or when responding to, but not returning from, a fire alarm, may park or stand irrespective of the provisions of this title.
- B. This section shall not relieve drivers of authorized emergency vehicles from the duty to park or stand with regard for the safety of all persons. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-3-6: **LIGHTS ON PARKED VEHICLES:** No lights need be displayed on a vehicle that is parked in accordance with this title on a street where there is sufficient light to reveal a person or object at a distance of at least five hundred feet (500') from the vehicle. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-3-7: **EXTENSION OF PARKING TIME:** Where maximum parking time limits are designated, moving a vehicle to another parking space within the same block shall not extend the time limits for parking. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-3-8: **EXEMPTIONS:** The provisions that regulate the parking or standing of vehicles do not apply to:

- A. Vehicles Used For Maintenance Work: A city, county, state or public utility vehicle being used for public works maintenance, construction or repair work.

- B. Postal Or Delivery Vehicles: A vehicle owned by the United States being used for collection, transportation or delivery of mail or a vehicle used as a delivery vehicle, i.e., furniture van, U-haul truck, United Parcel Service, etc.; or when a special oversize/overweight exemption permit is issued. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)
- C. Disabled Persons: A vehicle of a disabled person, with a disable placard or license plate, who complies with the provisions of Federal ADA law and Oregon Revised Statutes 801.235 and 811.602 to 811.637. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997; amd. 2008 Code; Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-3-9 **PENTALTY:** Any person in violation of this Title shall be fined in accordance with the City Master Fee Schedule for the initial penalty upon passage of this ordinance. Future penalty adjustments may be made by separate resolutions. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

CHAPTER 3

PARKING REGULATIONS

ARTICLE A. PARKING CITATIONS AND OWNER RESPONSIBILITY

SECTION:

- 6-3A-1 Citation on Illegally Parked Vehicle
- 6-3A-2 Failure to Comply with Parking Citation
- 6-3A-3 Owner Responsibility
- 6-3A-4 Registered Owner Presumption

6-3A-1: **CITATION ON ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLE:** When a vehicle without an operator is found parked in violation of a restriction imposed by this title or state law, the city designated person shall note the license number and any other information displayed on the vehicle that may identify the owner, and shall attach a parking citation to the vehicle. The citation shall instruct the operator or owner to answer to the charge(s) or pay the penalty imposed. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997; Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-3A-2: **FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH PARKING CITATION:** If the operator or owner does not respond to a parking citation attached to the vehicle the City Manager or designee shall tag the vehicle or send a letter to the owner of the vehicle informing the owner of the violation and giving notice of the citation. Failure to pay or take such action: (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

A. The fine will be doubled; and

B. If the vehicle has two (2) or more outstanding citations in unpaid fines, it may be impounded, and an impounded vehicle shall not be released until all outstanding fines and charges are paid. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

6-3A-3: **OWNER RESPONSIBILITY:** The owner of a vehicle that is in violation of a parking restriction shall be responsible for the offense unless the operator using the vehicle has been identified and cited. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997; Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-3A-4: **REGISTERED OWNER PRESUMPTION:** In a proceeding charging violation of a parking restriction against a vehicle owner, proof that the vehicle was registered to the defendant at the time of the violation constitutes a presumption that the defendant was the owner. (Ord. 76 revised, 10-28-1997)

CHAPTER 4

NON-TRAFFIC RATED EQUIPMENT

SECTION:

- 6-4-1 Short Title
- 6-4-2 Definitions
- 6-4-3 Designated Roads
- 6-4-4 Operator Equipment
- 6-4-5 Equipment Requirements
- 6-4-6 Equipment Operation
- 6-4-7 Liability
- 6-4-8 Enforcement and Penalties

6-4-1: **SHORT TITLE:** This title may be cited as the *NON TRAFFIC EQUIPMENT*

6-4-2: **DEFINITIONS:** The following mean:

ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE(S): All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV), as defined by Federal and State Law, that are used for off-road activities and designated for recreational purposes.

CLASS I: A motorized, off-highway recreational vehicle with a dry weight of 1200 pounds or less, with three or more tires, and less than 50 inches in width.

CLASS II: A motorized weighing more and wider than a class I. These may be referred to as four-by-fours.

CLASS III: All-Terrain vehicle having two wheels, such as a dirt bike. These are not allowed on city streets.

CLASS IV: A motorized ATV that is 75 inches wide or less, having non-straddle seating, with four or more tires. Commonly known as side-by-side or UTV.

DRIVER LICENSE: Given the Term under ORS 801.245.

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ELECTRICE BIKE:	An electric bike (e-bike) is a standard bicycle equipped with an integrated electric motor and battery. The motor is designed to assist human pedaling or provide full throttle power. It allows riders to effortlessly navigate hills and headwinds while retaining the physical benefits and functionality of a traditional bicycle.
FLAG:	A flag (also known as a safety whip) is a bright, high-visibility flag attached to a flexible pole that extends 8 to 10 feet above the ground.
GOLF CART:	A small motorized (or manual) vehicle designed to transport one or more people and their golf clubs around a golf course.
HELMET:	A protective covering for the head meeting standards established by the United States Department of Transportation or the State of Oregon.
HUMMER:	A Hummer can be considered or interpreted to be a side-by-side and is “not” authorized for use on city streets in accordance with this chapter that are not licensed in accordance with federal or state motor vehicle licensing law.
MINI TRUCKS:	Mini trucks, often referred to as "kei trucks" light vehicles, are tiny, highly practical, sub-1000 cc utility trucks. Characterized by an enclosed cab and an open rear cargo bed, they are primarily used for low-speed cargo delivery, farming, landscaping, and off-road work. These type vehicles are only authorized by the City of Irrigon.
MOTORIZED/ ELECTRIC SCOOTER:	A motorized scooter is a two-wheeled vehicle powered by gas or an electric motor or small internal combustion engine. It features handlebars for steering and a floorboard or deck for the rider to stand on, and does not legally qualify as a standard motorcycle, moped, or motorized bicycle. Typically features handlebars and a floorboard for the rider's feet, though some models have seats. Has restricted speeds with a specific mile per hour on level ground and weighing under 100 pounds.
PLAQUARED OR TRIANGLE:	A highly reflective, collapsible roadside safety device placed behind signifying a slow vehicle or piece of equipment to alert oncoming traffic.
SIDE BY SIDE:	A Side by Side (ATV) is a permitted piece of equipment “not” authorized for use on city streets in accordance with this chapter.

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TRAFFIC LAWS: To mean any Oregon statutes and regulation relating to the operation or use of motorized vehicles, including, without limitation, the Oregon Vehicle Code (ORS 801 to 826) and any regulation or administrative rules promulgated thereunder. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

6-4-3: **DESIGNATED ROADWAYS:** All roads, streets, allies, or lanes within the City Limits of the City of Irrigon. This shall include portions of US 730 that lay within the boundaries of the City of Irrigon. Exception to this is any ATV on US 730 or on adjacent sidewalks or multi-use pathways.

6-4-4: **OPERATOR REQUIREMENT:**

(A) The operator of allowed equipment must be 18 years of age or older, and hold a valid state issued Driver's License. Licensed drivers must comply with all license restrictions. A person may not operate such equipment under this Chapter while the person's driving privileges (i.e. Driver's License) are suspended or revoked.

(B) For any operator under the age of 18 another adult person must also be along as required by ORS 821.170, ORS 821.172, and ORS 821.176.

(C) Operating Permit Required: A person operating a Class I All-Terrain Vehicle must hold a valid Class I ATV Safety Education Card Operator Permit issued under ORS 390.570. A person operating a Class IV All-Terrain Vehicle must hold a valid Class IV ATV Safety Education Card issued under ORS 390.577. The operator must have any other permit required by the State of Oregon for operating an ATV.

(D) A person operating a Class IV ATV under this chapter must hold a valid Class IV ATV Operating Permit issued under ORS 390.577.

6-4-5: **SAFETY AND USE REQUIREMENTS:**

(A) The vehicle or equipment must be equipped with rearview mirrors, brakes, display headlights and and/or pennants to attract attention.

(B) Operators under this Chapter must meet the financial responsibility requirements under ORS 806 regarding financial responsibility, to include insurance with a minimum of liability, and respond to damages for liability, on account of accidents arising out of the ownership, operation, maintenance, of such equipment.

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(C) **Helmet Requirements:** A person riding a regular bicycle must wear within the state required age limits or any person riding a minibike, 4-wheeler (ATV), an ATV, eBike, eScooter must wear a helmet as defined in ORS 801.366, with a fastening chin strap while riding or operating as noted under this chapter.

(D) **Speed Limits:** All vehicles and equipment, including ATV's, eBikes, eScooters, etc. noted in 6-5-4 (C) above as operated under this chapter must be operated in compliance with all required and posted speed limits and may not be operated (A) at a rate of speed posted or greater than reasonable under existing conditions, (B) in a manner so as to endanger or cause injury, death, and/or damage to the operator or person or property of another.

(E) Give way to pedestrians and those operating ADA equipment.

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EQUIPEMNT OPERATION:

(A) Vehicles and equipment operating under this Chapter must be operated in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances, including, without limitation, all applicable Traffic Law requirements (including, without limitations, ORS 811.255) and operated in compliance with all posted speed limits and may not be operated (a) at a rate of speed greater than reasonable under the existing conditions, or (b) in a negligent manner so as to endanger or cause injury, death, and/or damage to the operator or person or property of another. It is the responsibility of the operator to be aware of such use.

(B) No passenger may be under the age of 5.

(C) A person must be properly secured with a safety belt or safety harness while operating or riding as a passenger on equipment operated under this Chapter if such equipment was required to be equipped with safety belts or safety harnesses at the time it was manufactured or safety belts or safety harnesses have been installed.

(D) ATV or Equipment operated under this Chapter may be operated only during daylight hours. For purposes of this section, daylight hours mean one-half hour after sunrise to one-half hour before sunset. Headlight and taillights installed do not provide use outside of designated hours.

(F) No equipment (motorized or electric bikes and scooters and) shall traverse (be used) on sidewalks or multi-use walkways/pathways. Such equipment should be used on roadways in a safe and conscious manner, adhering to vehicular traffic and pedestrians.

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1. Exception: Low battery scooter operated by a minor accompanied by an adult on sidewalks or walking paths and in pace with the walker may use the sidewalks or multi-use pathways.

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(G) ADA Equipment shall be permissible and for use according to federal and state American with Disability Act regulations. Such equipment is for use by those directed and authorized accordingly in all areas open and permitted.

(H) Bicycles: Regular bicycles that may be a two-wheel or three-wheel type and self-propelled without the assistance of a gas powered, electric, or low voltage battery.

- i. Equipment will comply with state requirements and operational requirements noted in this chapter.
- ii. Operators will be in compliance with state law and this chapter.
- iii. Requirements:
 - (a) Use bike racks
 - (b) Shall not be secured to a tree, fire hydrant, power poles, street or stop signs, etc.
 - (c) Not be thrown at the entryway of any public or governmental building.
 - (d) No obstructing traffic or pedestrians. Impeding either is considered a violation and subject to citation.
 - (e) No person shall rent a bicycle to another person unless through a qualified and approved business with the city.

6-4-7: **LIABILITY:**

The operation of noted equipment will be undertaken at the sole risk and responsibility of the owner and/or operator. The City of Irrigon, in adopting this

Chapter, assumes no responsibility for the operation of such equipment and will be held harmless in any action arising from the operation of such equipment on or off any public way within the City of Irrigon, including, without limitation, roadways.

6-4-8: **ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES:**

(A) Enforcement of this Chapter may be through Traffic Enforcement in accordance with the Irrigon Municipal Code, Oregon Traffic Laws, by civil action, or by any means allowed under Oregon law.

(B) Any violation of this Chapter constitutes a violation of a Traffic Law, then the penalty for the same shall be as provided for by Oregon statute or the Irrigon Municipal Code.

(C) Any person in violation of this Title shall be fined in accordance with the City Master Fee Schedule for the initial penalty upon passage of this ordinance. Future penalty adjustments may be made by separate resolutions. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense

(D) The failure or omission to comply with any section of this Chapter shall be deemed a violation and may be so prosecuted, subject to the fines provided in this Chapter. (Ord. 269-26, 8-18-2026)

unless specifically repealed or amended by a provision or enactment of the city or city code. Such ordinances are not generally intended to be included in the official city code.

Section 5. Conflicts

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

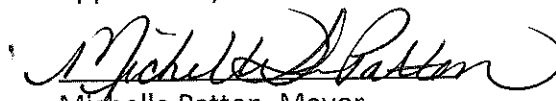
Section 6. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after adoption

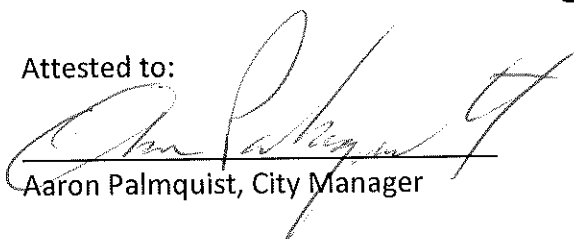
This ordinance, Title 6 – Motor Vehicles and Traffic of the City Municipal Code contains the compilation of all ordinances of a general nature together with changes made and amended to said ordinances, shall be accepted in all courts without question as the official code and law of the City of Irrigon as enacted by the Mayor and City Council.

Passed by the Council this _18th_ day of _August_, 2026

Approved by:


Michelle Patton, Mayor

Attested to:


Aaron Palmquist, City Manager