

CHAPTER 40
RIDING A BICYCLE ON THE HIGHWAY
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AN ACT relating to the rights and duties of a person riding a bicycle on the highway, including a penalty.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 321.1, subsection 3, Code 1985, is amended by adding the following new lettered paragraph:

NEW LETTERED PARAGRAPH. c. "Bicycle" means a device having two wheels and having at least one saddle or seat for the use of a rider which is propelled by human power.

Sec. 2. Section 321.234, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

321.234 BICYCLES OR ANIMAL-DRAWN VEHICLES.

1. Every A person riding a bicyele or an animal or driving any an animal drawing a vehicle upon a roadway shall be is subject to the provisions of this chapter applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except those provisions of this chapter which by their nature can have no application.

2. A person riding a bicycle on the highway is subject to the provisions of this chapter and has all the rights and duties under this chapter applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except those provisions of this chapter which by their nature can have no application.

3. A person propelling a bicycle on the highway shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached to the bicycle.

4. A person shall not use a bicycle on the highway to carry more persons at one time than the number of persons for which the bicycle is designed and equipped.

5. This section does not apply to the use of a bicycle in a parade authorized by proper permit from local authorities.

Sec. 3. Section 321.236, subsection 10, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

10. Regulating the operation of bicycles and requiring the registration and licensing of the same, including the requirement of a registration fee. However, the regulations shall not conflict with the provisions of section 321.234.

Sec. 4. Section 321.358, subsection 1, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

1. On a sidewalk, except a bicycle may stop, stand, or park on a sidewalk if not prohibited by a local jurisdiction.

Sec. 5. Section 805.8, subsection 2, paragraph j, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

j. For violations by pedestrians and bicyclists under sections 321.234, subsections 3 and 4, 321.236, subsection 10, 321.325, 321.326, 321.328, 321.331, 321.332, 321.397 and 321.434, the scheduled fine is ten dollars.

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