

CHAPTER 1137

NONVEHICULAR TRAFFIC — PEDESTRIAN CONVEYANCES AND BICYCLISTS — CROSSWALKS

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AN ACT relating to nonvehicular traffic, including pedestrian conveyances and bicyclists' right-of-way at certain crosswalks, and making penalties applicable.

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

Section 1. [Section 321.1, subsection 51](#), Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:

51. “Pedestrian” means ~~any a~~ person afoot or a person using a pedestrian conveyance.

Sec. 2. [Section 321.1](#), Code 2024, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 51A. “Pedestrian conveyance” means any human-powered device by which a pedestrian may move other than by walking or by which a pedestrian may move another person, including but not limited to a wheelchair, stroller, skateboard, scooter, or other similar device. “Pedestrian conveyance” also includes an electric personal assistive mobility device and any other device used to move a person sitting or standing on the device regardless of whether the device is powered by an electric motor, so long as the electric motor produces less than seven hundred fifty watts. “Pedestrian conveyance” does not include a bicycle.

Sec. 3. [Section 321.1, subsection 90](#), paragraph a, Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:

a. Any device moved by human power, including a low-speed electric bicycle and a pedestrian conveyance.

Sec. 4. [Section 321.235A, subsection 2](#), paragraphs a and b, Code 2024, are amended to read as follows:

a. Yield the right-of-way to other pedestrians and human-powered devices.

b. Give an audible signal before overtaking and passing a pedestrian ~~or human-powered device~~.

Sec. 5. [Section 321.327, subsection 1](#), Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:

1. Where traffic-control signals are not in place or in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a pedestrian or a person riding a bicycle crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection, except as otherwise provided in [this chapter](#).

Sec. 6. [Section 321.366, subsection 1](#), paragraph g, Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:

g. ~~Operate~~ Ride a bicycle, ~~skateboard, or other use~~ a pedestrian conveyance, or be a pedestrian, anywhere on a fully controlled-access facility. ~~For purposes of this paragraph, “pedestrian conveyance” means any human-powered device by which a pedestrian may move other than by walking or by which a walking person may move another pedestrian, including but not limited to strollers and wheelchairs.~~

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