

Bylaw No. 6884

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**Codified to Bylaw No. 8994
(December 19, 2011)**

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The Council of The City of Saskatoon enacts as follows:

Short Title, Interpretation and Application

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as "The Bicycle Bylaw".

Interpretation

2. In this Bylaw:
 - (a) "Act" means The Highway Traffic Act of the Province of Saskatchewan and all amendments thereto;
 - (b) "bicycle" means any muscular propelled, chain-driven wheeled device in, on, or by which a person is or may be transported or drawn;
 - (c) "curb" means the dividing line between that portion of any street intended for the passage of motor vehicles and that intended primarily for the use of pedestrians, whether marked with any form of curbstone or not;
 - (d) "License Bylaw" means Bylaw No. 6066 of The City of Saskatoon and all amendments thereto;
 - (e) "park" means any improved or unimproved lands owned by or subject to the direction and control of The City of Saskatoon and intended for the recreational use and enjoyment of the general public, and, without limitation, includes all those areas encompassed by what is commonly known as the Meewasin Valley Trail, and all lands and environs associated therewith;
 - (f) "pedestrian" means any person on foot or in a wheelchair;

- (g) "sidewalk" means that portion of any street intended primarily for use by pedestrians;
- (h) "street" means all or any part of a road allowance, highway, road, lane, bridge, place, alley, square, thoroughfare, or way intended for or used by the general public for the passage of vehicles or pedestrians;
- (i) "Traffic Bylaw" means Bylaw No. 4284 of The City of Saskatoon and all amendments thereto;
- (j) "traffic sign" means any sign, signal, marking, or other device, placed painted, or erected for the guidance, regulation, warning, direction, or prohibition of traffic;
- (k) any other words shall, insofar as they are not inconsistent with this Bylaw, have the same meaning as in the Act.

3. **Application**

This Bylaw shall apply to the operation of all bicycles upon or in the streets, parks, and other public places in the City of Saskatoon.

LICENSE

4. Repealed by Bylaw No. 7387 - December 20, 1993

EQUIPMENT

5. **Brakes**

No person shall operate a bicycle unless such bicycle is equipped with a braking mechanism adequate to control the movement of and to stop the bicycle whenever necessary. All such braking mechanisms shall be maintained in efficient working condition at all times.

6. **Horn or Bell**

No person shall operate a bicycle unless such bicycle is equipped with a horn or bell capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions for a distance of not less than thirty-five (35) metres.

7. **Lights and Reflective Devices**

No person shall operate a bicycle during the period from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, or at any other time when conditions of poor visibility exist, unless such bicycle is equipped with and displays an operating headlight together with a red rear light or reflective device.

OPERATION

8. **Position on Street**

Every person operating a bicycle shall utilize only that portion of the street as is intended for the passage of motor vehicles and shall be so positioned thereon as to be as close as is reasonably practicable to the right hand curb, except that any such person operating a bicycle may leave the proximity of the right hand curb when approaching an intersection and indicating an intention to turn by giving the required signal to that effect.

9. **Two Abreast**

Except as is necessary for the purpose of passing, no person shall operate a bicycle on the left side of any two other bicycles being operated abreast.

10. **Stunting**

Every person operating a bicycle shall have at least one hand on the handle bars at all times, and no person operating a bicycle shall perform or engage in any acrobatic or other stunt.

11. **Passengers**

No person shall operate a bicycle while carrying thereon any other person, except that such person may carry one passenger where the bicycle is equipped with a properly constructed pillion seat securely fastened over the rear wheel thereof.

12. **Loads**

No person shall operate a bicycle while carrying thereon any load in excess of twenty-five (25) kilograms, nor shall such load extend to a greater width than forty-five (45) centimetres on either side of the center line of the bicycle, nor to such a height as would obstruct the clear vision in all directions of the person operating the bicycle while seated on the seat thereof.

BICYCLE LANES

13. In any location where an exclusive lane for the passage of bicycles has been established and is so designated by traffic signs and pavement markings, every person operating a bicycle shall utilize such lane only, except that any such person may depart from the exclusive bicycle lane when approaching an intersection and indicating an intention to turn by giving the required signal to that effect.

PARKS

14. **Comply with Traffic Signs**

Every person operating a bicycle in a park shall comply with the directions or regulations contained on any traffic sign in such park.

15. **Due Care and Attention**

Every person operating a bicycle in a park shall do so with due care and attention and with reasonable consideration for other persons in such park.

16. **Yield Right of Way**

Every person operating a bicycle in a park shall yield the right of way to any pedestrian therein.

17. **Operating on Left Prohibited**

Every person operating a bicycle upon any sidewalk, trail, or path in a park shall, except when overtaking and passing a pedestrian or bicyclist proceeding in the same direction, operate the bicycle to the right of the center of any such sidewalk, trail, or path.

18. **Passing and Overtaking**

Every person operating a bicycle upon any sidewalk, trail, or path in a park shall sound a horn or bell prior to overtaking and passing any pedestrian or bicyclist proceeding in the same direction upon any such sidewalk, trail, or path.

19. **Rate of Speed**

No person shall operate a bicycle in a park at an immoderate rate of speed, or so as to startle, endanger, or interfere with any other person in such park.

BRIDGES

20. In traversing any bridge or river crossing a person operating a bicycle may:

- (a) subject to Section 22, utilize that portion of the bridge or river crossing as is intended for the passage of motor vehicles; or,
- (b) notwithstanding any other provision hereof, utilize the sidewalk portion of any bridge or river crossing.

21. **Crossing on Sidewalk**

In traversing any bridge or river crossing upon the sidewalk as provided in Section 20(b), every person operating a bicycle shall:

- (a) proceed with due care and attention and with reasonable consideration for all pedestrians; and,
- (b) yield the right of way to all pedestrians; and,
- (c) dismount and walk the bicycle when passing a pedestrian proceeding in the same direction upon such sidewalk.

FREEWAY SYSTEM

22. Freeways

No person shall operate a bicycle upon any of those streets set forth in Schedule "A" hereto, except upon that portion of any such street as is clearly set aside and designated for the passage of bicycles.

PENALTIES

23. The penalty for breach of any of the provisions of this Bylaw shall be as set forth in Schedule "B" hereto.

MISCELLANEOUS AND TRANSITION

24. Application of Act and Traffic Bylaw

Except to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith, the relevant provisions of both the Traffic Bylaw and the Act are applicable to the operation of bicycles in the City of Saskatoon.

25. Paramountcy

In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Bylaw and those contained in Parks Bylaw No. 3187 of The City of Saskatoon, the provisions of this Bylaw shall govern and supersede such Bylaw No. 3187.

26. Consequential Amendments

Paragraphs 4-26, 4-27, and 10-1 through 10-9 inclusive of the Traffic Bylaw, together with the penalties applicable thereto as set forth in Schedule 12-1 of the Traffic Bylaw, are hereby repealed.

27. **Coming into Force**

This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the 2nd day of May, A.D. 1988.

Read a first time this 2nd day of May, A.D. 1988.

Read a second time this 2nd day of May, A.D. 1988.

Read a third time and passed this 2nd day of May, A.D. 1988.

"C. Wright"

Mayor

"Susan MacKeigan"

Acting City Clerk

(SEAL)

"APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS
OF THE URBAN MUNICIPALITY ACT, 1984

DATE: June 23, 1988

D. Abbey

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC BOARD"

SCHEDULE "A"

CITY OF SASKATOON FREEWAY SYSTEM

1. Idylwyld Drive from 20th Street south to Circle Drive;
2. Circle Drive South from Idylwyld Drive east to Highway No. 11;
3. Circle Drive North from Millar Avenue east and south to College Drive;
4. Attridge Drive from Circle Drive to Central Avenue;
5. Circle Drive between 33rd Street and Airport Drive.

SCHEDULE "B"

PENALTIES

1. Every person who breaches any of the provisions of this Bylaw is guilty of an offense and liable on summary conviction to a fine of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars, hereinafter referred to as the stipulated penalty.
2. The stipulated penalty shall be discounted to the amount of Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars, hereinafter referred to as the discounted penalty, if paid or remitted on a voluntary basis in accordance with the provisions set forth hereunder:
 - (a) The Police Department of The City of Saskatoon shall issue a Notice in a form approved by the Chief of such Department to every person alleged to have breached any provision of this Bylaw, requiring every such person to pay or remit unto the City Treasurer of The City of Saskatoon the discounted penalty within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date of the Notice.
 - (b) The discounted penalty may be paid or remitted in any of the following manners:
 - (i) in person, during regular office hours, to the cashier located at City Hall, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; or,
 - (ii) by deposit, at the depository located at the main entrance to City Hall, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; or,
 - (iii) by mail, postmarked within the prescribed fourteen (14) day period, to the Office of the City Treasurer, City Hall, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, S7K 0J5.

Any person requiring a receipt shall attend and pay in person as provided in sub-paragraph (i) above.
 - (c) Upon payment of the discounted penalty in the manner provided herein, no person shall be liable to prosecution with respect to the circumstance described in the Notice to which such payment pertains.
3. The stipulated penalty may be paid in the manner provided herein at any time prior to the date that a person is required to appear in Court to answer a charge under this Bylaw, and, upon payment, the person shall not be liable to further prosecution with respect to such charge.