

CHAPTER 77

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77.01 LICENSE REQUIRED. No person shall ride or propel a bicycle on any public area, path, right-of-way, street or sidewalk within the City unless such bicycle has been licensed and a license tag is attached thereto as provided in this chapter.

77.02 LICENSE FEE; VALIDITY. The fee for a bicycle license is one dollar (\$1.00) and the license shall be valid for the duration of the existence of the bicycle.

77.03 INSPECTION OF BICYCLES. The Police Chief shall inspect all bicycles except that owners of new bicycles purchased within ninety (90) days of license applications may apply for a license without an inspection upon providing proof of purchase from a dealer or sales receipt. All other bicycles shall be inspected. License applications shall be refused if it is determined that the bicycle is in unsafe mechanical condition. Bicycles that are subject to inspection shall be inspected for the following:

- A. Loose handlebars;
- B. Defective hand grips;
- C. Loose seat;
- D. Wheel loose at the hub;
- E. Defective or improperly adjusted spokes;
- F. Warped rim that rubs against fork;
- G. Worn or shaky steering post;
- H. Worn-out pedal treads;
- I. Defective pedals;
- J. Drive chain that is too loose or too tight;
- K. Defective coaster brakes and/or hand brakes;
- L. Defective chain guard (if present);
- M. Defective fenders (if present);
- N. Any other items which the inspector deems necessary.

77.04 ISSUANCE OF LICENSE.

1. The Police Chief, upon receiving proper application therefor, is authorized to issue a bicycle license. which shall be effective immediately.
2. The Police Chief shall not issue a license for any bicycle when the Police Chief knows or has reasonable ground to believe that the applicant is not the owner of or entitled to the possession of such bicycle.
3. The Police Chief shall keep a record of the number of each license, the date issued, the name and address of the person to whom issued, the number on the frame of the bicycle for which issued, and a record of all bicycle license fees collected.

77.05 ATTACHMENT OF LICENSE TAG. The Police Chief, upon issuing a bicycle license, shall also issue a license tag bearing the license number assigned to the bicycle and the name of the City. The Police Chief shall direct that such license be firmly attached to the frame of the bicycle for which issued. No person shall remove a license tag from a bicycle during the period for which issued.

77.06 TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP. Upon transfer of ownership of a bicycle, the license sticker shall remain on the bicycle. The new owner shall be required to report the transfer to the Police Department. The transfer shall indicate the new owner's name, address, and date of sale and shall contain the signature of the buyer.

77.07 LOST OR DAMAGED STICKER. If any license sticker is damaged to the extent that the number is unidentifiable or is missing from a bicycle, it may be reissued for the cost of \$1.00 after inspection.

77.08 IMPOUNDMENT OF UNLICENSED BICYCLES. Bicycles which bear no City of Marion license, but whose owner resides within the City, parked or left standing in public places, may be impounded until such time as the owner purchases a license.

77.09 REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED ON RENTAL AGENCIES. A rental agency shall not rent or offer any bicycle for rent unless the bicycle is licensed and a license tag is attached thereto as provided in this chapter.