

Motor Vehicle Conduct

A. Unnecessary Noise Prohibited.

- (1) **Unnecessary Noise.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner which shall make or cause to be made any loud, disturbing, or unnecessary sounds or noises such as may tend to annoy or disturb another in or about any public or private area in the Village of Pepin.
- (2) **Mufflers.** Every motor vehicle operated upon a public way shall be equipped with a muffler in good and proper working order and be in constant operation so as to prevent excessive or unusual noise or annoying exhaust smoke.
- (3) **Use of Devices.** No person shall use or place upon any motor vehicle to be operated upon a public way any muffler cut-out, bypass or similar device. No device shall be used on any motor vehicle operated upon the public way to create unnecessary noise and disturbance.
- (4) **Jake Braking.** Use of engine compression brakes prohibited. No person shall use, within the Village limits of the Village of Pepin, motor vehicle brakes that are in any way activated or operated by the compression of the engine of the motor vehicle (including those known as "Jake Brakes"). It shall be an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that compression brakes were applied in an emergency and were necessary for the protection of persons or property. Emergency vehicles shall be exempt from this subsection.

B. Unnecessary Smoke Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner which shall make or cause to be made any smoke, gases, or odors which are disagreeable, foul, or otherwise offensive which may tend to annoy or disturb another in or about any public or private area in the Village.

C. Unnecessary Acceleration and Display of Power Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any vehicle, including motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles and bicycles, in such a manner as to cause, by excessive and unnecessary acceleration, the tires of such vehicle or cycle to spin or emit loud noises or to unnecessarily throw stones or gravel; nor shall such driver cause to be made by excessive and unnecessary acceleration any loud noise as would disturb the peace.

D. Disorderly Conduct with a Motor Vehicle.

- (1) **Conduct Prohibited.** No person shall, within the Village of Pepin, by or through the use of any motor vehicle, including but not limited to, an automobile, truck, motorcycle, minibike or snowmobile, cause or provoke disorderly conduct with a motor vehicle, cause a disturbance or annoy one or more persons, or disturb or endanger the property or the safety of another's person or property.

- a) No person shall by or through the use of a motor vehicle allow any person to ride outside or on vehicle in an area not designated as a passenger compartment.
- b) No person by use of a motor vehicle shall endanger the safety of another person.

(2) Definition. “Disorderly conduct with a motor vehicle” shall mean the engaging in violent, abusive, unreasonably loud conduct, or disturbing or endangering the property or the safety of another’s person or property, or otherwise disorderly conduct, or unsafe operation of a motor vehicle, including but not limited to, unnecessary, deliberate or intentional spinning of wheels, squealing of tires, revving of engine, blowing the horn, causing the engine to backfire or causing the vehicle, while commencing to move or in motion, to raise one or more wheels off the ground.

(3) Avoidance of Traffic Control Device Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner as to leave the roadway and travel across private property to avoid an official traffic control device, sign, or signal.

(4) Disobeying Traffic Control Device Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person operating a motor vehicle to disobey any official traffic control sign, device or signal.

E. Operation in Restricted Area Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner as to leave the roadway and park, stop, or travel upon or across any public or private property, parking lot, driveway, sidewalk or business service area for any purpose except the official conduct of business located on said property without the consent of the owner or lessee of the property. This Section shall specifically include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Public park property;
- (2) Cemetery properties;
- (3) School District property;
- (4) Medical facilities;
- (5) Funeral homes;
- (6) Service stations;
- (7) Grocery stores;
- (8) Restaurants;
- (9) Financial Institutions and

- (10) Private property

- (11) Other similar-type businesses with service driveways or drive-up or drive- through facilities.