

## **Chapter 33**

### **Uniform Traffic Code**

#### **33.00.00 Motor Vehicle Code, Uniform Traffic Code and Amendments and Revisions Adopted.**

**33.00.01** The Michigan Vehicle Code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923 and all future amendments and revisions to the Michigan Vehicle Code when they are effective in this state are adopted and incorporated by reference.

**33.00.02** The Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages as promulgated by the director of the Michigan Department of State Police pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328 and made effective October 30, 2002, and all future amendments and revisions to the Uniform Traffic Code when they are promulgated and effective in this state are adopted and incorporated by reference.

#### **33.01.00 Reference in the Codes**

References in the Michigan Vehicle Code and the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages to a “governmental unit” shall mean the City of Sandusky.

#### **33.02.00 Penalties**

**33.02.01** The penalties provided by the Michigan Vehicle Code are adopted and incorporated by reference. The City may not enforce any provision of the Michigan Vehicle Code for which the maximum period for imprisonment is greater than 93 days.

**33.02.02** The penalties provided by the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages are adopted and incorporated by reference.

#### **33.03.00 Traffic Safety**

The purposes of this article are to regulate the weight and movement of vehicles travelling on streets highways and areas open to the general public in the City of Sandusky and to preserve the streets, highways and areas open to the general public free of traffic congestion and hazards.

#### **33.04.00 Sudden/Excessive Acceleration**

**33.04.01** No person operating a motor vehicle shall, on any street, highway or area open to the general public in the City of Sandusky, shall suddenly accelerate such vehicle at an unreasonable speed so as to cause a dangerous situation or so as to cause any tires on such vehicle to spin against the surface of the street so as to throw rocks, dust or other debris from the ground.

**33.04.02** A person who violates this section shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction, and shall be subject to the penalty of a Grade B Municipal Civil Infraction.

### **33.05.00 Display of Power**

**33.05.01** No person shall make unnecessary and/or annoying noises with a motor vehicle by squealing tires, excessive acceleration of engine, or by emitting unnecessary sound or loud exhaust system noises.

**33.05.02** A person who violates this section shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction, and shall be subject to the penalty of a Grade B Municipal Civil Infraction.

### **33.06.00 Distracted Driving**

**33.06.01** No person shall operate a motor vehicle, within the City of Sandusky, while being a distracted driver. For purposes of this section, a person is a distracted driver if, while operating a motor vehicle, that person commits a moving violation while doing something within the motor vehicle, not required for operation of the motor vehicle, which distracts or divides their attention from the operation of the motor vehicle, including, but not be limited to, attending to personal hygiene, eating or drinking, reading, use of a cellular telephone or computer, physically attending to a passenger or pet, or observation of a video display.

**33.06.02** A person who violates this section shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction, and shall be subject to the penalty of a Grade B. Municipal Civil Infraction.

### **33.07.00 Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, rule, regulation, section or subsection is declared void or inoperable for any reason by any court, it shall not affect any other part or portion thereof other than the part declared void or inoperable.