

## Chapter 8

## BICYCLES

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[**HISTORY:** Adopted Walton Village Board 1-12-05.  
Amendments noted where applicable.]

- § 8-1. Riding on sidewalks: restrictions.

Bicycle and tricycle riders shall be allowed to ride on certain sidewalks in the village under the following restrictions and no others:

- A. No person or persons shall ride upon any sidewalk of said village except when the streets are impassable for a bicycle on account of mud or snow.
- B. Every person shall dismount from his or her wheel when meeting or passing a pedestrian on any of the sidewalks of the said village.

**§ 8-2. Speed.**

No person or persons shall ride a bicycle or tricycle upon the streets or sidewalks of said village at a greater speed than eight (8) miles an hour.

**§ 8-3. Lamps required; exception.**

No person shall ride a bicycle or tricycle on the sidewalks or in the streets of said village between one (1) hour after sunset and one (1) hour before sunrise without a lamp of such illuminating power as to be seen two hundred (200) feet ahead, but this shall not apply to any rider who is necessarily away from home when going at a pace of not to exceed six (6) miles an hour and an audible signal is given every thirty (30) feet.

**§ 8-4. Use of bell or whistle.**

All persons riding a bicycle or tricycle in said village shall give an alarm by bell or whistle which may be heard one hundred (100) feet distant, when about to meet or pass a pedestrian and when about to meet or pass another vehicle.

**§ 8-5. Coasting; rules of the road.**

No person or persons shall coast or proceed by inertia or momentum with feet off pedals, and shall observe such rules of the road as are established by the highway laws.

**§ 8-6. Riding on certain sidewalks.**

No person shall ride on the sidewalk on Delaware Street, between Liberty and North Streets, at any time of the year.

**§ 8-7. Registration of bicycles. [Added 3-15-71]**

No person shall ride or propel a bicycle on any public street, walk or path in the Village of Walton unless such bicycle is duly registered as herein provided and a registration tag is thereto attached. Where a bicycle is owned by a minor, the father of such minor, if living and if the minor be living with him, or if he be deceased or the minor be not living with his father, the mother or other person having the custody of such minor, shall be jointly responsible with the minor for the proper registration of such bicycle and the attachment of a registration tag thereto before it is driven in the village. The following rules and regulations shall govern the registration of bicycles, to wit:

- A. Each bicycle ridden or propelled in the Village of Walton shall be registered with the Police Department of the village. The registration period shall be for a period of one (1) year from the time of registration.
- B. The Village Clerk of the Village of Walton shall prescribe the times at which such registration may be obtained.
- C. Application for such registration shall be made upon a form to be furnished by the Village of Walton and to be of such composition and wording as may be prescribed by the Village Clerk of the Village of Walton.
- D. No fee shall be charged for the registration of bicycles.
- E. Before registering a bicycle, a police officer of the Village of Walton shall inspect the same and the Police Department of the village shall not register a bicycle found to be mechanically unsafe, defective or improperly equipped.
- F. A police officer of the Village of Walton, upon receiving proper application therefor, shall assign a number to the bicycle and register it in a book to be kept for that

purpose, and he shall thereupon issue to the applicant a certificate of registration stating the period for which it is issued and to be of the further contents and in such form as may be prescribed by the Village Clerk of the Village of Walton.

- G. With the issuance and delivery of the certificate of registration, as aforesaid, an officer of the Police Department of the Village of Walton shall also issue a registration tag bearing the number assigned to the bicycle, and to be of such color, style and dimensions as may be prescribed by the Village Clerk of the Village of Walton.
- H. On receipt of the registration tag, the applicant shall cause the same to be firmly attached to the bicycle at a place prescribed by the officer issuing said tag. The tag shall be used in the Village of Walton during the period for which the tag was issued.
- I. The registration of a bicycle, as herein provided, shall be effective only for the period for which the certificate of registration is issued and also only as long as the particular applicant securing the registration is the owner of the bicycle registered. In the event of a change of ownership of a registered bicycle, the existing registration shall forthwith terminate and the new owner shall procure a new registration. No bicycle registered for a particular period shall be operated in the Village of Walton following the expiration of said period unless it is registered for the new period in which it is operated.
- J. The book to be kept by the Police Department of the Village of Walton for the registration of bicycles, as hereinbefore provided, shall contain a record of the name and address of the owner of the bicycle sought to be registered, the make, style and color of the bicycle, the

number on the frame of the bicycle, if any, the number of the registration, the date of the registration and a statement of the period for which the registration is issued, and such other data as the Police Department of the Village of Walton may deem advisable.

K. An officer of the Police Department of the Village of Walton shall not register any bicycle when he knows or has reasonable grounds to believe that the applicant is not the owner of or entitled to possession of the bicycle.

L. No person shall rent or offer any bicycle for rent unless such bicycle is registered and a registration tag is attached thereto, as provided herein.

**§ 8-8. Penalties for offenses. [Amended 3-15-71\*]**

Any person found violating any part of this chapter regulating the use of bicycles in the Village of Walton may have his bicycle registration revoked for a period of not exceeding two (2) weeks for each violation committed. In addition, a fine not exceeding the sum of five dollars (\$5.) may be imposed on such person for each violation committed.

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\* Editor's Note: This section renumbered from § 8-7.