

CHAPTER 1-16—UNNECESSARY VEHICLE NOISE

- 1-16-01 PURPOSE:** It is the declared intent and purpose of this regulation to prohibit any vehicle on any way in the Town of Stratham so that as to make any loud, unusual, or other unnecessary noise as hereinafter defined.
- 1-16-02 VEHICLE:** The word "vehicle" shall include bus, highway equipment, motorcycle, motor truck, motor vehicle, semi-trailer, sidecar, tractor, trailer or other vehicle, all as defined by RSA 259.
- 1-16-03 WAY:** The word "way" shall include crosswalk, intersecting way or other public highway, or other way, all as defined by RSA 259.
- 1-16-04 LOUD, UNUSUAL OR OTHER UNNECESSARY NOISE:** The words "loud, unusual or other unnecessary noise" shall include any noise occasioned by any one or more of the following actions of the operator of any vehicle:
- a) Misuse of power exceeding tire traction limits in acceleration, sometimes known as "laying down rubber" or "peeling rubber", or
 - b) Misuse of braking power exceeding tire traction limits in deceleration where there is no emergency, or
 - c) Rapid acceleration by means of quick upshifting of transmission gears with either a clutch and manual transmission or automatic transmission, or
 - d) Rapid deceleration by means of quick downshifting of transmission gears with either a clutch and manual transmission or an automatic transmission, or
 - e) Racing of engines by manipulation of the accelerator, gas pedal, carburetor, or gear selection whether the vehicle is either in motion or standing still, or
 - f) The blowing of any horn except as a warning signal or the use of any other noise making device whether the vehicle is either in motion or standing still.
- 1-16-05 PENALTY:** Any person in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a violation and upon conviction thereof shall be liable to a penalty of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense.

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