

CHAPTER 412  
Traffic Violations Bureau

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CROSS REFERENCES

- Traffic rules and regulations in home rule cities - see  
M.C.L.A. Sec. 117.4h
- Traffic rules and regulations generally - see M.C.L.A. Secs.  
257.601 et seq., 257.634 et seq.
- Uniform Traffic Code - see M.C.L.A. Secs. 257.951 et seq.;  
TRAF. Ch. 410
- Operation generally - see TRAF. Ch. 468
- Operation on school property - see TRAF. Ch. 472

**412.01 ESTABLISHMENT.**

There is hereby established in and for the City a Traffic Violations Bureau.  
(Ord. 193. Passed 1-15-85.)

**412.02 CLERK.**

The Secretary of the Police Department is hereby appointed Clerk of the Traffic Violations Bureau. The Clerk is hereby authorized to collect and account for all fines paid to the Bureau as set forth in this chapter. The Clerk shall operate under the supervision of the Chief of Police.

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**412.03 LOCATION.**

The Traffic Violations Bureau shall be located at the Police Department.  
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**412.04 TRAFFIC CITATIONS.**

Whenever any motor vehicle is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by City ordinance or by State law, the officer finding such vehicle shall take its registration number and may take any information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its user, and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a traffic citation. A duplicate copy of the ticket or notice shall forthwith be delivered to the Traffic Violations Bureau.  
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**412.05 POWERS AND DUTIES.**

The Traffic Violations Bureau shall have the authority to process traffic violation tickets issued by the Police Department, to assess and collect all fines in accordance with the schedule set forth in this chapter, to make regular accountings of such collections and to deposit all such deposits with the City Treasurer to the credit of the General Fund.  
(Ord. 193. Passed 1-15-85.)

**412.06 REPORTS.**

The Clerk of the Traffic Violations Bureau shall prepare, each month, a detailed traffic violations report for the previous month. This report shall list all traffic violation tickets issued according to the respective categories of violations, all tickets processed during the month that have not been received for processing and a total of all moneys received for fines collected.  
(Ord. 193. Passed 1-15-85.)

**412.07 SATISFACTION OF OFFENSES.**

All persons to whom a traffic violation ticket or notice has been issued may appear before the Traffic Violations Bureau on or before ten days from the issuing date thereof, pay the fine so assessed and deposit the ticket with the Bureau. Such appearance and payment shall constitute full satisfaction for the offense charged. Upon and after payment of the prescribed penalty, no other or further arrest or prosecution of such person shall be had with respect to the particular violation for which the penalty was paid.  
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**412.08 APPEARANCES.**

Appearance at the Traffic Violations Bureau may be made in person, by representation or by registered mail.

(Ord. 193. Passed 1-15-85.)

**412.09 RIGHTS OF ACCUSED TO JUDICIAL PROCESS.**

The right of any accused to judicial process shall be preserved, and nothing in this chapter shall deprive any person from having a full and impartial hearing in court, in accordance with due process of law.

The accused may appear before the Traffic Violations Bureau and file a written request, on forms provided, demanding a judicial hearing upon the charge, in which event a complaint shall be filed with the District Court for the County and prosecution shall take place according to law.

If the accused does not appear before the Bureau within ten days from the date of the traffic violations ticket or notice was issued to the accused, the Bureau shall return the duplicate copy of the ticket or notice to the officer who issued the same. The officer shall file a complaint with the District Court for the County relative to the violation charged upon the traffic violations ticket or notice, and prosecution shall take place according to law.

(Ord. 193. Passed 1-15-85.)

**412.10 WAIVER FEE SCHEDULE.**

A current list, as established by Council, of fees to be charged for violations of this Traffic Code shall be displayed at the Traffic Violations Bureau.

**PARKING VIOLATIONS WAIVER FEE SCHEDULE**

Offense	If Paid Within Ten Days of Issue		If Paid After Ten Days of Issue	
Prohibited Parking <u>(Signs Required)</u>				
Within 20 ft. of fire station		\$10.00		\$15.00
Within 200 ft. of accident with police in attendance		10.00		15.00
Loading zone	10.00		15.00	
Handicapped parking zone		50.00		75.00

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Offense	If Paid Within Ten Days of Issue		If Paid After Ten Days of Issue
Any place where official signs prohibit stopping, standing or parking	\$10.00		\$15.00
All night parking: Prohibited between 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.	10.00		15.00
<u>In Prohibited Zones</u>			
<u>(Signs Not Required)</u>			
Blocking alley (except when loading or unloading)	10.00		15.00
On sidewalk or crosswalk	10.00		15.00
Double parking	10.00		15.00
Parked facing wrong way	10.00		15.00
Blocking traffic	10.00		15.00
Blocking driveway	10.00		15.00
Parked within 110 ft. of fire hydrant	10.00		15.00
Within intersection	10.00	15.00	
Bicycle path	10.00		15.00
<u>Others</u>			
Bicycle violations	4.00		10.00
Abandoned vehicle (plus towing and storage costs)	10.00		15.00
Keys left in vehicle or motor running while unattended	10.00		15.00
All other parking violations	10.00		15.00

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#### **412.11 WINTER PARKING.**

During the period from November 1 through April 1 of each year, in addition to the Parking Violations Waiver Fee Schedule, any vehicle parked on any roadway, street, highway, or public parking lot within the city between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. shall be removed at the discretion of the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works or any member of the Police Department. The costs of removal and subsequent storage shall be paid by the owner of the vehicle removed before the vehicle is restored and released to the owner.

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**412.12 EXCEPTIONS.**

The violations set forth in this chapter shall not apply to designated emergency vehicles or physicians on emergency calls.

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