

CHAPTER 63

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63.01 GENERAL. Every driver of a motor vehicle on a street shall drive the same at a careful and prudent speed not greater than nor less than is reasonable and proper, having due regard to the traffic, surface and width of the street and of any other conditions then existing, and no person shall drive a vehicle on any street at a speed greater than will permit said driver to bring it to a stop within the assured clear distance ahead, such driver having the right to assume, however, that all persons using said street will observe the law.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.285)

63.02 STATE CODE SPEED LIMITS. The following speed limits are established in Section 321.285 of the *Code of Iowa* and any speed in excess thereof is unlawful unless specifically designated otherwise in this chapter as a special speed zone.

1. Business District – twenty (20) miles per hour.
2. Residence or School District – twenty-five (25) miles per hour.
3. Suburban District – forty-five (45) miles per hour.

63.03 PARKS, PARKING LOTS, CEMETERIES, AND ALLEY WAYS. A speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour in any public park, parking lot, cemetery, or alley way, unless specifically designated otherwise in this chapter, is unlawful.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[5])

(Ord. 5-26-2020 – Aug. 20 Supp.)

63.04 SPECIAL SPEED ZONES. In accordance with requirements of the Iowa Department of Transportation, or whenever the Council shall determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that any speed limit listed in Section 63.02 is greater or less than is reasonable or safe under the conditions found to exist at any intersection or other place or upon any part of the City street system, the Council shall determine and adopt by ordinance such higher or lower speed limit as it deems reasonable and safe at such location. The following special speed zones have been established:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.290)

1. Special 10 MPH Speed Zone. A maximum speed of 10 miles per hour shall be enforced on L Avenue south of 6th Street.
2. Special 15 MPH Speed Zones. A maximum speed of 15 miles per hour shall be enforced on the Highway 71 Frontage Street which is bordered on the north by an unnamed County road on the north line of the Northwest Quarter (NW¹/₄) of Section 6, Township 98, Range 36, and on the south by the westerly extension of the south line of Lot 12 of Sternberg's Plat, Milford, Dickinson County, Iowa.
3. Special 30 MPH Speed Zones. A maximum speed of 30 miles per hour shall be enforced on P Avenue from 21st Street to 28th Street.

4. Special 35 MPH Speed Zones. A maximum speed of 35 miles per hour shall be enforced on the following streets:
 - A. Okoboji Avenue, from 11th Street to 200 feet north of 18th Street and from 8th Street south to 4th Street.
 - B. 28th Street from P Avenue to 230th Avenue and on 230th Avenue from 28th Street to 150 feet south of Woodlyn Drive.
5. Special 45 MPH Speed Zone. A maximum speed of 45 miles per hour shall be enforced on Okoboji Avenue from 200 feet north of 18th Street to 28th Street and from 4th Street to 915 feet south of 4th Street.
6. Special 50 MPH Speed Zone. A maximum speed of 50 miles per hour shall be enforced on Okoboji Avenue (Highway 71) from 300 feet north of Terrace Park Road to 500 feet south of 202nd Street also known as the City of Milford 39th Street.
(Ord. 3-12 – Aug. 13 Supp.)

63.05 MINIMUM SPEED. A person shall not drive a motor vehicle at such a slow speed as to impede or block the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation, or in compliance with law.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.294)

63.06 CONTROLLED ACCESS FACILITIES. Speed limits on controlled access facilities are as specified in Chapter 140 of this Code of Ordinances.

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