

SUBJECT: Conformance to Law: Vehicle Operation**SECTION:** 104.03**REVISED:** MARCH 1, 2008**PAGE(S):** 1

PURPOSE

To assure the continuance of lawful, safe vehicle operation by all employees associated with this department.

RULES

- A. All employees shall maintain a valid State of Ohio driver's license.
- B. All employees of this department shall adhere to the procedures applicable to emergency vehicle operation and driving which have been promulgated by this department.
- C. No employee shall operate any city vehicle either negligently or in willful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property.
- D. Except under conditions which would permit the use of emergency warning devices (red lights and siren) every employee driving a departmental vehicle shall drive in compliance with the statutes contained in the vehicle codes of this City and State.
- E. Drivers of fire department vehicles shall be directly responsible for safe and prudent operation under all conditions. When the driver is under the direct supervision of an officer, or acting officer, that officer shall also share responsibility for the actions of the driver.
- F. Drivers shall not move fire department vehicles until all persons on the vehicle are seated and secured with seat belts or safety harness in approved riding positions.
- G. All persons riding on fire department apparatus shall be seated and secured to the vehicle by seat belts or safety harness at any time the vehicle is in motion. Riding on tail steps or in any other exposed position shall be specifically prohibited. Standing while riding shall be specifically prohibited.