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Chapter 365: Article IV Low-Speed Vehicles

Section 365.130: Definition.

For the purposes of this Article, the following definition shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

LOW-SPEED VEHICLE

A motor vehicle that is four-wheeled; whose speed range is at least twenty (20) miles per hour and not more than twenty-five (25) miles per hour on a paved level surface; whose gross vehicle weight is less than three thousand (3,000) pounds; has successfully completed the neighborhood electric vehicle America test program conducted by the Federal Department of Energy; conforms to the definition and requirements for low-speed vehicles, as adopted in the Federal motor vehicle safety standards for low-speed vehicles under 49 CFR 571.500; and complies with Section 365.150.

Section 365.140: Operation of Low-Speed Vehicles On Streets Permitted.

- A. A low-speed vehicle may be operated upon the streets of the City of St. Charles if it meets the requirements of this Article. Every person operating a low-speed vehicle shall be granted all the rights and shall be subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of any other motor vehicle except as to the special regulations in this Article.
- B. The operator of a low-speed vehicle shall observe all State and City traffic laws and rules of the road.
- C. A low-speed vehicle shall not be operated on a street or highway with a posted speed limit greater than thirty-five (35) miles per hour. This provision shall not be construed to prohibit a low-speed vehicle from crossing, at an intersection or permitted crossing point, a street or highway with a posted speed limit greater than thirty-five (35) miles per hour.

Section 365.150: Low-Speed Vehicle Standards.

- A. A low-speed vehicle shall:
 - 1. Meet the definitional requirements contained in Section 365.130;
- 2. Be manufactured in compliance with the National Traffic Safety Administration and comply with the standards in 49 CFR 571.500; and
 - 3. Be equipped with:
 - a. Headlamps;
 - b. Front and rear turn signals:
 - c. Stop lamps:

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- d. Reflex reflectors; one (1) red on each side as far to the rear as practicable and one (1) red on the rear;
- e. An exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side and either an exterior mirror on the passenger side or an interior rearview mirror;
 - f. A parking brake;
- g. A windshield that conforms to the requirements of the Federal motor vehicle safety standard of glazing materials (49 CFR 571.205);
- h. A vehicle identification number (VIN) that complies with Federal law as provided in 49 CFR 565; and
- i. A type 1 or type 2 seatbelt assembly conforming to 49 CFR 571.209 and Federal motor Vehicle Standard 209 for each designated seating position.

Section 365.160: Low-Speed Vehicles — Driver's License and Insurance Required.

- A. Every operator of a low-speed vehicle shall:
- 1. Possess a valid driver's license issued by the State, pursuant to Chapter 302, RSMo.; and
 - 2. Maintain financial responsibility as required by Chapter 303, RSMo.

Section 365.170: Low-Speed Vehicles — Title and Registration.

It shall be the responsibility of the operator or owner of a low-speed vehicle to comply with State titling or registration requirements.

Section 365.180: Penalty.

- A. Any person who violates any provision of this Chapter for which no other penalty is set forth shall be subject to the general penalty set forth in Section 100.150 of this Code.
- B. Every person convicted of a violation of any provision of the Article set forth in Sections 365.010 through 365.040 shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).

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