

ARTICLE 521

Operation of Vehicles

- 521.01 Funerals and authorized processions.
- 521.02 Permits required for parades and processions.
- 521.03 Driving across property to avoid traffic control device.

CROSS REFERENCES

Vehicles moving at less than normal speed - See Vehicle Code §3301 (b)
Following vehicles - See Vehicle Code §3310
Installation of traffic control devices - See TRAF. Art. 503

521.01 FUNERALS AND AUTHORIZED PROCESSIONS.

(a) A funeral composed of a procession of vehicles may, upon request, be accompanied by a police escort.

(b) A fee shall be charged for a police escort of a funeral or other authorized procession, in accordance with the fee schedule as is set forth from time to time by resolution of Council of the City of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

(c) The funeral home shall pay the fee directly to the City of Bethlehem.

(d) Requests for a police escort shall be made by the funeral director to the Traffic Division within reasonable time to provide scheduling.

(e) The funeral director shall furnish printed instructions to each driver in the procession regarding proper procedures and notifying them of the liabilities involved.

(f) Each vehicle in the procession shall be identified by the display of a pennant upon the outside of the vehicle or by other

identifying insignia approved by the Traffic Division. The last vehicle in the procession shall be identified as such.

(g) Each driver in the procession shall drive as near to the right-hand edge of the roadway as is practicable and shall follow the vehicle ahead as close as is practicable and safe.

(h) Each vehicle shall be driven with low beam headlights turned on and four way flashers.

(i) No driver of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and properly designated as required.

(j) For other authorized processions the person in charge of the processions shall be authorized to act as indicated for funeral directors above. All rules for funeral processions shall also apply to other authorized processions.

((Ord. 2252 §1. Passed 6/22/71; Ord. 2011-40. Passed 12/21/11))

521.02 PERMITS REQUIRED FOR PARADES AND PROCESSIONS.

No procession or parade, except funerals and the Armed Forces of the United States or of this State, shall occupy, march or proceed along any street except in accordance with a permit issued by the Traffic Division. (Ord. 1769 §8. Passed 11/13/62.)

521.03 OPERATION ON PLAY STREETS.

Repealed by Ordinance 4025 passed 4/1/2000.

521.03 DRIVING ACROSS PROPERTY TO AVOID TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE.

No person shall drive a motor vehicle through a service station or any other property to avoid stopping for any traffic control device. (Ord. 2199 §1. Passed 6/16/70.)