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§3-101. Definition.

A pedalcycle, as used in this Part shall mean any vehicle powered solely or primarily by human powered pedals, having one or more wheels with a diameter not less than 10 inches.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-102. License Required.

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to operate or use a pedalcycle upon any of the streets, alleys or public thoroughfares of the Borough of Ambler without first obtaining a license therefor and having said pedalcycle properly registered and tagged.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-103. Application for License; Inspection of Pedalcycles.

Application for a license shall be made and kept by the Chief of Police upon forms provided for that purpose, said forms to contain the name and address of the owner, together with a description of the pedalcycle, plus the number on the frame of the pedalcycle for which issued, sufficient for identification thereof. Before licensing a pedalcycle, it must appear to the Chief of Police that the applicant is the owner of said pedalcycle or that he is entitled to possession thereof and no pedalcycle shall be registered or licensed, nor shall any license be renewed as hereinafter provided, until inspected, examined and found to be in a safe mechanical condition. Inspection of pedalcycles may be done by the Chief of Police.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-104. License Fee; Renewal; Transfer; License Tag.

The annual license fee to be paid for each pedalcycle shall be an amount fixed by resolution, from time to time, by Borough Council, special notice of which shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in and about the Borough. Any license granted hereunder shall be effective until next June 1, when the same shall expire and must be renewed annually thereafter for the current license fee determined by the Borough Council. Licenses may be transferred without charge when the ownership of said pedalcycle is transferred. Upon application and satisfactory evidence of the loss of a tag, a new tag may be issued upon payment of the current yearly license fee. The license tag granted

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shall be displayed on the pedalcycle at all times, attached to the frame in the rear directly under the seat of the pedalcycle in a manner that is plainly visible. The Chief of Police shall keep a record of:

- A. The number of each registration.
- B. Date issued.
- C. Name and address of person to whom issued.
- D. The make and number of each pedalcycle frame.
- E. A record of all pedalcycles registration fees collected.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-105. Mutilation or Alteration of Registration or Frame Number Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to wilfully or maliciously remove, destroy, mutilate or alter the registration tag or frame number of any pedalcycle.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-106. Sale, Transfer or Dismantling of Registered Pedalcycles.

1. Within 10 days after the sale, transfer or dismantling of any registered pedalcycle, such information shall be reported to the Safety Officer by the person in whose name the pedalcycle was registered. Such a person may have the identification tag or plate of his former pedalcycle transferred to another pedalcycle owned by him without payment of an additional fee upon proper registration of such pedalcycle with the Safety Officer.
2. Every person engaged in the business of buying or selling new or second hand pedalcycles shall make a report within five days to the Safety Officer of every pedalcycles purchased or sold by such dealer:
 - A. The name and address of the person from whom purchased or to whom sold.
 - B. A description of such pedalcycle by name or make.
 - C. The frame number thereof.
 - D. The number of the identification plate, if any, found thereon.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-107. Rented Pedalcycles.

A rental agency shall not rent or offer any pedalcycle for rent unless the pedalcycle is properly registered and tagged and unless such pedalcycle is provided with the equipment required under the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-108. Regulations for Operation of Pedalcycles.

In addition to compliance with the laws of the State of Pennsylvania regarding the equipment, parking and operation of pedalcycles, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to operate or use a pedalcycle upon the streets, alleys or public thoroughfares of the Borough in violation of any of the following regulations:

- A. No pedalcycle shall be operated, unless it is in a safe mechanical condition and in good working order at all times.
- B. It shall be unlawful for anyone to tow, or draw any coaster, sled, person on roller skates, toy vehicles or any other similar vehicle when operating such pedalcycle on any street, alley or public thoroughfare in the Borough; and further, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any pedalcycle to be towed on his or her pedalcycle by any other vehicle.
- C. No rider of a pedalcycle shall remove both hands from the handlebars, nor feet from the pedals, nor practice any acrobatic stunts or fancy riding on any street, alley or public thoroughfare in the Borough.
- D. No pedalcycle or motor-powered bicycle or mini-bike or any other such vehicle shall be ridden or operated at any time upon any public grounds owned by the Borough or upon private property without the permission of the property owner.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983)

§3-109. Penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$10.

(Ord. 629, 7/8/1974; as revised by Ord. 785, 11/21/1983; as amended by A.O.)