CHAPTER 1
TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

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9-1-1: APPLICABILITY OF REGULATIONS: The provisions of this Title shall apply to the operation of all vehicles upon the streets, alleys, and places within the City. “Vehicle” as used in this Title shall have the same meaning as Idaho Code Section 49-123(V)(2) “vehicle”, as amended. (Ord. 3146, 11-21-2017)

9-1-2: APPLICABILITY OF STATE LAWS: All traffic and motor vehicle laws of the State of Idaho codified in Title 49, Idaho Code, and any rules and regulations promulgated by the Idaho Department of Law Enforcement pursuant thereto, shall apply to the operation of all vehicles upon the streets and alleys of the City, except to the extent such laws or regulations are expressly inconsistent with the provisions of this Code. The City Clerk shall keep at least one (1) copy of this Chapter available for public use and examination in his or her office at all times.

9-1-3: ENFORCEMENT: Any person who violates any traffic or motor vehicle law within the City shall be guilty of an infraction and shall be punishable in accordance with the provisions of Title 49, Chapter 15, Idaho Code, as the same now exists or as amended hereafter. All authorized parking enforcement agents and peace officers shall follow the procedures set forth in such Chapter when issuing citations for infractions. (Ord. 3276, 10-10-19)

9-1-4: OBEDIENCE TO POLICE OFFICERS: Any person who fails or refuses to comply with any lawful order or direction of any police officer of the City, or any other police officer of Bonneville County or the State of Idaho, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

9-1-5: CONSTRUCTION CREWS: This Chapter shall not apply to the operation of any vehicle while the operator is actually engaged in the construction, repair or maintenance of any street, alley, sidewalk, curb, gutter or any utility located therein, if such operator is an employee of the City or has a permit or is otherwise lawfully authorized to perform such work.

9-1-6: FOLLOWING FIRE ENGINE: Any person who operates a vehicle within 500 feet of any fire engine, equipment or vehicle responding to a fire alarm, except persons operating a police, fire or public safety vehicle, shall be guilty of an infraction.
9-1-7: PARKING NEAR EMERGENCY VEHICLES: Any person who parks any vehicle within 500 feet of any police, fire or emergency vehicle responding to a fire alarm shall be guilty of an infraction.

9-1-8: CROSSING FIRE HOSE: Any person who drives any vehicle over any fire hose of the Fire Department while such hose is being used to suppress any fire, without the consent of a police officer or the fire official in command, shall be guilty of an infraction. (Ord. 3003, 4-23-15)

9-1-9: ENGINE COMPRESSION BRAKES: No person shall, while operating a motor vehicle within the City, apply or otherwise use "Jake Brakes", Engine Compression Brakes, or any similar braking system which emits a clearly audible noise when measured at a distance of fifty (50) feet directly from the source. Engine Compression Brakes are defined as a braking system which uses compressed air from a motor vehicle's engine to slow the vehicle. Any person who violates this ordinance shall be guilty of an infraction. (Ord. No. 2407, 02-08-01)

9-1-10: PROHIBITION OF ATV'S, UTILITY-TYPE VEHICLES AND MOTORBIKES ON PUBLIC STREETS:

(A) PURPOSE: The purpose of this Ordinance is to enhance and protect the public safety, ensure that traffic laws are obeyed and prohibit the riding of all-terrain vehicles, utility-type vehicles, and motorbikes on city streets and highways.

(B) DEFINITIONS: For purposes of this Section, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) All-Terrain Vehicle: "All Terrain Vehicle" or "ATV" means any vehicle as defined in Idaho Code §67-7101(1).

(2) Utility-Type Vehicle: "Utility-Type Vehicle", or "UTV" means any vehicle, as originally manufactured, which is defined under Idaho Code §67-7101(15).

(3) Motorbike: "Motorbike" means a vehicle as defined under Idaho Code §67-7101(9). However, a motorbike, which has been converted and approved for unrestricted motorcycle registration pursuant to Idaho Code §49-402, and which has been certified that as compliant with federal motor vehicle safety standards by the Idaho Department of Transportation Department of Motor Vehicles, shall not be subject to the prohibitions set forth in this section.

(C) AREAS CLOSED TO ATV, UTV, OR MOTORBIKE USE: No person shall drive or operate an ATV, UTV, or Motorbike on any street, sidewalk, alley, jogging path, park, golf course or other public way located within the City of Idaho Falls.
(D) EXCEPTIONS: Nothing herein shall prohibit the operation of an ATV, UTV, or Motorbike under the following circumstances:

1. The use of ATV's or UTV's by the City of Idaho Falls personnel for public property or public facility maintenance.

2. The use of ATV's or UTV's for snow removal from driveways, sidewalks or parking lots. Any traveling in prohibited areas must be directly related to such snow removal.

3. The use of ATV's or UTV's by the City of Idaho Falls Law Enforcement officers or any City authorized parking enforcement agent. (Ord. 3276, 10-10-19)

4. The use of ATV's or UTV's for events or activities, in which the user or owner of the machine has received a permit from the Police Department for use of the machine during that event or activity. The Police Department may place reasonable restrictions on such permits, for safety purposes.

(E) PENALTY: Any violation of this section shall be an infraction. (Ord 2799, 2-12-09)