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301.01 MEANING OF WORDS AND PHRASES.
The following words and phrases when used in this Traffic Code, except as otherwise provided, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this chapter.
301.02 AGRICULTURAL TRACTOR AND TRACTION ENGINE.
“Agricultural tractor” and “traction engine” means every self-propelled vehicle designed or used for drawing other vehicles or wheeled machinery, but having no provision for carrying loads independently of such other vehicles, and used principally for agricultural purposes.
(ORC 4511.01(J))
301.03 ALLEY.
“Alley” means a street or highway intended to provide access to the rear or side of lots or buildings in urban districts, and not intended for the purpose of through vehicular traffic, and any street or highway that has been declared an “alley” by the Legislative Authority of the municipality in which the street or highway is located.
(ORC 4511.01(XX))
301.04 ARTERIAL STREET OR HIGHWAY.
“Arterial street or highway” means a street or highway primarily used by through traffic, usually on a continuous route or a street or highway designated as part of an arterial system.
(ORC 4511.01(CCC))
301.05 AUTOCYCLE.
“Autocycle” has the same meaning as in Ohio R.C. 4501.01.
(ORC 4511.01(LLLL))
301.06 BEACON.
“Beacon” means a highway traffic signal with one or more signal sections that operate in a flashing mode.
(ORC 4511.01(KKK))
301.07 BICYCLE.

“Bicycle” means a pedal-powered vehicle upon which a human operator sits, including an electric bicycle. (ORC 4511.01(G))

301.08 BICYCLE BOX.

“Bicycle box” means a designated area on the approach to a signalized intersection, between an advance motorist stop line and the crosswalk or intersection, that is intended to provide bicyclists a visible location to wait in front of stopped motorists during the red signal phase.

(ORC 4511.01(BBBB))

301.09 BICYCLE LANE.

“Bicycle lane” means a portion of a roadway that has been designated for preferential or exclusive use by bicyclists and is often delineated from the adjacent general purpose lanes by longitudinal pavement markings and either a bicycle lane symbol, words, or signs. The term includes all of the following:

(a) A buffer-separated bicycle lane, which is separated from the adjacent general-purpose lanes by a pattern of standard longitudinal pavement markings that are wider than a normal or wide-lane pavement marking;

(b) A counter-flow bicycle lane, which is a one directional bicycle lane that provides a lawful path of travel for bicycles in the opposite direction from the general traffic on a roadway that otherwise requires the general traffic to travel in only one direction. A counter-flow bicycle lane is designated by the traffic control devices used for other bicycle lanes;

(c) A separated bicycle lane, which is an exclusive facility for bicyclists that is located within or directly adjacent to the roadway and is physically separated from the motor vehicle traffic with a vertical element.

(ORC 4511.01(DDDD))

301.10 BICYCLE SIGNAL FACE.

“Bicycle signal face” means a signal face that displays only bicycle symbol signal indications in accordance with Ohio R.C. 4511.15 that exclusively controls a bicyclist’s movement from a designated bicycle lane or from a separate facility, and that displays signal indications that are applicable only to a bicyclist’s movement.

(ORC 4511.01(EEEE))

301.11 BICYCLE SIGNAL SIGN.

“Bicycle signal sign” means a sign meant to inform road users that the signal indications in the bicycle signal face are intended only for bicyclists, and to inform bicyclists which bicyclist movements are controlled by that bicycle signal face.

(ORC 4511.01(FFFF))

301.12 BIKEWAY.

“Bikeway” means any road, street, path, or way that in some manner is specifically designated for bicycle travel, regardless of whether the facility is designated for the exclusive use of bicycles or if it is shared with other modes of transportation.

(ORC 4511.01(GGGG))

301.13 BUS.

“Bus” means every motor vehicle designed for carrying more than nine passengers, and used for the transportation of persons other than in a ridesharing arrangement, and every motor vehicle, automobile for hire, or funeral car, other than a taxicab or motor vehicle used in a ride-sharing arrangement, designed and used for the transportation of persons for compensation.

(ORC 4511.01(L))

301.14 BUSINESS DISTRICT.

“Business district” means the territory fronting upon a street or highway, including the street or highway, between successive intersections within the municipality, where fifty percent (50%) or more of the frontage between successive intersections is occupied by buildings in use for business, or within or outside the municipality where fifty percent (50%) or more of the frontage for a distance of 300 feet or more is occupied by buildings in use for business, and the character of the territory is indicated by official traffic-control devices.
(ORC 4511.01(NN))
301.15 BUSWAY.
“Busway” means a traveled way that is used exclusively by buses.
(ORC 4511.01(HHHH))
301.16 CAB-ENCLOSED MOTORCYCLE.
“Cab-enclosed motorcycle” has the same meaning as in Ohio R.C. 4501.01.
301.17 CHAUFFEURED LIMOUSINE.
“Chauffeured limousine” means a motor vehicle that is designed to carry nine or fewer passengers and is operated for hire pursuant to a prearranged contract for the transportation of passengers on public roads and highways along a route under the control of the person hiring the vehicle and not over a defined and regular route. “Prearranged contract” means an agreement, made in advance of boarding, to provide transportation from a specific location in an chauffeured limousine. The term does not include any vehicle that is used exclusively in the business of funeral directing. (ORC 4511.01(LL))
301.18 CHILD CARE CENTER.
“Child care center” has the same meaning as set forth in Ohio R.C. 5104.01.
(ORC 4511.01(FFF))
301.19 COMMERCIAL TRACTOR.
“Commercial tractor” means every motor vehicle having motive power designed or used for drawing other vehicles, and not so constructed as to carry any load thereon, or designed or used for drawing other vehicles while carrying a portion of the other vehicles, or the load thereon, or both. (ORC 4511.01(I))
301.20 CONTROLLED-ACCESS HIGHWAY.
“Controlled-access highway” means every street or highway in respect to which owners or occupants of abutting lands and other persons have no legal right or access to or from the same except at certain points only and in a manner as may be determined by the public authority having jurisdiction over the street or highway.
(ORC 4511.01(CC))
301.21 CROSSWALK.
“Crosswalk” means:
(a) That part of a roadway at an intersection included within the connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalks on opposite sides of the highway measured from the curbs, or, in the absence of curbs, from the edges of the traversable roadway, and in the absence of a sidewalk on one side of the roadway, the part of a roadway included within the extension of the lateral lines of the sidewalk at right angles to the center line;
(b) Any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere, distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface, which might be supplemented by contrasting pavement texture, style, or color;
(c) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b) of this definition, the term does not include an area where local authorities have placed signs indicating no crossing.

(ORC 4511.01(LL))

301.22 DRIVER OR OPERATOR.

“Driver” or “operator” means any person who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle. (ORC 4511.01(Y))

301.23 DRIVEWAY.

“Driveway” means an access from a roadway to a building, site, or abutting property. (ORC 4511.01(IIII))

301.24 ELECTRIC BICYCLE.

“Electric bicycle” means a “class 1 electric bicycle”, a “class 2 electric bicycle”, or a “class 3 electric bicycle” as defined below.

(a) CLASS 1 ELECTRIC BICYCLE. Means a bicycle that is equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty miles per hour.

(b) CLASS 2 ELECTRIC BICYCLE. Means a bicycle that is equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts that may provide assistance regardless of whether the rider is pedaling and is not capable of providing assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty miles per hour.

(c) CLASS 3 ELECTRIC BICYCLE. Means a bicycle that is equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty-eight miles per hour.

(ORC 4511.01(SSS) - (VVV)

301.25 ELECTRONIC.

“Electronic” has the same meaning as in Ohio R.C. 4501.01.

301.26 EMERGENCY VEHICLE.

“Emergency vehicle” means emergency vehicles of municipal, township or county departments or public utility corporations, when identified as such as required by law, the Director of Public Safety, or local authorities, and motor vehicles when commandeered by a police officer. (ORC 4511.01(D))

301.27 EXPLOSIVES.

“Explosives” means any chemical compound or mechanical mixture that is intended for the purpose of producing an explosion that contains any oxidizing and combustible units or other ingredients in such proportions, quantities, or packing that an ignition by fire, by friction, by concussion, by percussion, or by a detonator of any part of the compound or mixture may cause a sudden generation of highly heated gases, such that the resultant gaseous pressures are capable of producing destructive effects on contiguous objects, or of destroying life or limb. Manufactured articles shall not be held to be explosives when the individual units contain explosives in limited quantities of such nature or in such packing that it is impossible to procure a simultaneous or a destructive explosion of the units, to the injury of life, limb, or property by fire, friction, concussion, percussion, or by a detonator, such as fixed ammunition for small arms, firecrackers, or safety fuse matches. (ORC 4511.01(T))

301.28 EXPRESSWAY.

“Expressway” means a divided arterial street or highway for through traffic with full or partial control of access with an excess of fifty percent (50%) of all crossroads separated in grade. (ORC 4511.01(ZZ))

301.29 FARM MACHINERY.

“Farm machinery” has the same meaning as in Ohio R.C. 4501.01.
301.30 FLAMMABLE LIQUID.
“Flammable liquid” means any liquid which has a flash point of 70°F or less, as determined by a tagliabue or equivalent closed cup test device.
(ORC 4511.01(U))
301.31 FREEWAY.
“Freeway” means a divided multi-lane highway for through traffic with crossroads separated in grade and with full control of access.
(ORC 4511.01(YY))

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