

BY-LAW NUMBER 284-94

A by-law to consolidate the by-laws that regulate traffic on roads under the jurisdiction of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, and to repeal By-laws Numbered 281-90, 54-83, 299-86, 98-87, 136-82, 3132, 389-89, 263-93, 346-91, 370-86, 300-85, 111-85, 153-84, 269-82, 401-85, 354-86, 172-88, 5-89, 69-90, 119-91, 386-91, 329-92, 28-93, 67-89, 318-93 and their respective amendments.

WHEREAS the City of Vaughan has numerous by-laws that regulate traffic on roads under the jurisdiction of the City of Vaughan (hereinafter called the "City");

AND WHEREAS amending by-laws have been enacted from time to time by the Council of the City, changing the traffic regulations on the roads under its jurisdiction;

AND WHEREAS in order to obtain greater efficiency in the administration of the traffic regulations on the City's road it is deemed expedient to consolidate all traffic by-laws;

AND WHEREAS Section 104 of the Municipal Act provides for the enactment of consolidating by-laws,

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City enacts this Consolidated Traffic By-law as follows;

AND this By-law shall be named the Consolidated Traffic By-law Number 284-94:

ENFORCEMENT:

1. The provisions of this by-law shall be enforced by the York Regional Police and the Ontario Provincial Police.

INTERPRETATION:

2. (1) In this by-law:
 - (a) "Act" means the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990 Chapter H.8 as amended;
 - (c) "bicycle" includes a tricycle having a wheel or wheels of more than 60 centimetres in diameter;
 - (d) "commercial motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle having a permanently attached thereto a truck or delivery body and includes ambulances, hearses, casket wagons, fire apparatus, buses and tractors used for hauling purposes on the highways;
 - (e) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Works for the City or a designate;
 - (f) "crosswalk" means
 - (i) that part of a highway at an intersection that is 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 roadways, or
- (ii) any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by signs or by lines or other markings on the surface of the roadways;
- (g) "heavy truck" means a commercial motor vehicle having a weight when unloaded, of three tonnes or more, or when loaded, of five tonnes or more, but does not include a passenger vehicle, an ambulance or any vehicle of a police or fire department;
- (h) "highway" includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway, square, place, bridge, viaduct or trestle, any part of which is intended for or used by the general public for passage of vehicles and includes the area between the lateral property lines thereof;
- (i) "intersection" means the area embraced within the prolongation or connection of the lateral curb line or, if none then of the lateral boundary lines of two or more highways that join one another at an angle, whether or not one highway crosses the other;
- (j) "motorcycle" means a self-propelled vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the driver and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, and includes a motor scooter but does not include a motor-assisted bicycle;
- (k) "motor vehicle" includes an automobile, motorcycle, motor assisted bicycle unless otherwise indicated in the Act, and any other vehicle propelled or driven otherwise than by muscular power, but does not include a street car, or other motorized vehicles running only upon rails, or a motorized snow vehicle, traction engine, farm tractor, self-propelled implement of husbandry or road-building machine within the meaning of the Act;
- (l) "official sign" means any sign or roadway, curb or sidewalk marking or other device placed or erected on a highway under the authority of this by-law and specified in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices of Ontario for the purpose of regulating, warning and guiding traffic;
- (m) "pedestrian" includes a person in a wheelchair and a child in a baby carriage;
- (n) "pedestrian crossover" means a pedestrian crossover as defined in the Act;
- (o) "police officer" means a member of the York Regional Police Force or a member of the Ontario Provincial Police Force;
- (p) "public vehicle" means a motor vehicle operated on a highway by, for or on behalf

of any person for the transportation for compensation of passengers, or passengers and express freight that might be carried in a passenger vehicle, but does not include the cars of electric or steam railways running only upon rails, taxicabs, car pool vehicles, nor motor vehicles operated solely within the corporate limits of one urban municipality;

- (q) "roadway" means that part of the highway that is improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic, but does not include the shoulder, and, where a highway includes two or more separate roadways, the term "roadway" refers to any one roadway separately and not to all the roadways collectively;
 - (r) "school bus" includes a vehicle operated by the school boards of education; designed and operated for the purpose of carrying passengers.
 - (s) "through highway" means a highway or part of a highway designated as such by the Commissioner or by by-law of a municipality, and the ends of every such highway shall be marked by a stop sign or yield right-of-way sign in compliance with the regulations of the Ministry;
 - (t) "traffic control signal" means a signal light traffic control system specified in Section 133 of the Act, operated for the regulation and control of both vehicular and pedestrian traffic;
 - (u) "U-turn" means the turning of a vehicle within a highway so as to proceed in the opposite direction;
 - (v) "vehicle" includes a motor vehicle, trailer, traction engine, farm tractor, road-building machine and any vehicle drawn, propelled or driven by any kind of power, including muscular power, but does not include a motorized snow vehicle or a street car;
 - (w) "public transit vehicle" includes a vehicle operated by all transit companies designed and operated for the purpose of carrying passengers;
- (2) Where any expression of time occurs or where any hour or other period of time is stated, the time referred to shall be standard time except in periods when daylight saving time is in effect, in which periods it shall be daylight saving time.

TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS:

3. (1) The Commissioner of Works is authorized to place or erect and to maintain such official signs and traffic control signals as are required to give effect to the provision of this by-law or as required to warn or guide traffic for the safety or convenience of the public.
- (2) No person shall place, maintain or display upon or in view of any highway any sign, signal, marking or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official sign

or traffic control signal or which conceals from view or interferes with the effectiveness of an official sign or traffic control signal.

PEDESTRIAN RULES:

4. (1) When official signs to that effect are erected and on display, no pedestrian or cyclists shall cross any highway set out in Schedule A, to this by-law, Part 1, Column 1, between the limits set out in Columns 2 and 3.

REGULATIONS FOR BICYCLES:

5. (1) Where official signs to that effect are erected and on display, no bicyclist may travel on any sidewalk section set out in Schedule A, to this by-law, Part 2, Column 1, between the limits set out in Columns 2 and 3.

THROUGH HIGHWAYS, STOP SIGNS AND YIELD SIGNS:

6. (1) The highways set out in Schedule B to this by-law, Part 1, Column 1 between the limits set out in Columns 2 and 3 of the said Part, are, except as provided in Subsection (2) of this Section, hereby designated as through highways.
- (2) The designation in Subsection (1) of this Section of a highway or portion of a highway as a through highway shall not include any intersection thereon where the road intersected is a King's Highway or where traffic control signals are installed.
- (3) The intersections set out in Schedule B to this by-law, Part 2, Column 1 are designated as intersections where stop signs shall be erected facing traffic on the highway set out in Column 2 of the said Part.
- (4) The intersections set out in Schedule B to this by-law Part 3, Column 1 are designated as intersections where yield right-of-way signs shall be erected facing traffic moving in the direction set out in Column 2 of the said Part.

HEAVY TRAFFIC:

7. (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2) of this Section, when official heavy truck restriction signs are erected and on display, no person shall move, drive, park or operate a heavy truck, on the highways set out in Schedule C to this by-law, Part 1, Column 1 between the limits set out in Column 2 of the said Part.

- (2) Subsection (1) of this Section shall not apply to any vehicle actually engaged in making a delivery to or a collection from premises which cannot be reached except by way of a highway or a portion of highway referred to in the said Section or to prohibit the use of such vehicles for such purpose, provided that in making such delivery or collection the said highway or portion of highway is travelled only insofar as is unavoidable in getting to and from such premises.

AXLE LOAD WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS:

8. (1) No commercial motor vehicle or trailer, other than a public vehicle or a two axle tank-truck or a two axle truck, while either is used as referred to in Section 122 of The Highway Traffic Act, shall be operated or drawn on the highways other than those set out in Schedule D to this by-law, Part 1, Column 1 between the limits set out in Column 2 when appropriate signs have been erected, where any axle of such commercial motor vehicle or trailer transmits to the highway, weight in excess of 5,000 kilograms.
- (2) (i) Subsection (1) of this Section does not apply to prevent the operation of a commercial motor vehicle or trailer on the parts of the highways described in Schedule D where a special permit has been applied for and obtained from the Commissioner.
- (ii) A special permit may be made subject to such terms and conditions as the Commissioner deems appropriate.

SPEED LIMITS:

9. (1) The maximum rate of speed on any City road shall be 50 kilometres per hour within the built up communities and 80 kilometres per hour in the rural areas, except where official signs have been erected and are on display in accordance with the maximum rates of speed prescribed in Subsection (2) of this Section.
- (2) When the highways set out in Schedule E to this by-law, Parts 1, 3, and 4, Column 1, between the limits set out respectively in Columns 2 and 3 of the said Parts, have official designs erected and on display in compliance with the Regulations of the Act, the maximum rate of speed thereon shall be the rate of speed prescribed in the Parts and in any event the maximum rate of speed shall not be greater than 80 kilometres per hour.
- (3) The City may elect not to post 50 km/h speed limit signs in urban areas, and may elect not to post 80 km/h speed limit signs in rural areas within the municipal boundaries. Furthermore, the City may elect to not post tab signs indicating km/h on speed limit signs.

LANE DESIGNATIONS:

10. (1) The highways set out in Schedule F to this by-law, Part 1, Column 1, having been divided into clearly marked lanes between the limits set out in Column 2 of the said Part, each of

the lanes indicated in Column 3 of the said Part is designated for traffic moving only in the direction or directions indicated in Column 4 of the said Part during the times or days indicated in Column 5 of the said Part;

- (2) Each designation made under Subsection (1) of this Section shall be effective upon the erection of official signs indicating such designation.

TURNING MOVEMENTS:

11. When an official sign to that effect is displayed, no vehicle in any intersection or portion of highway set out in Schedule F to this by-law, Part 2, Column 1, proceeding in the direction or emerging from a property set out in column 2 of the said Part, shall be turned in the direction set out in column 3 of the said Part, during the times or days set out in Column 4 of the said Part with the exceptions set out in Column 5 of the said Part.

TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAGE:

12. Where approval has been received from the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario, traffic control signals, consisting of set of green, amber, and red, or green arrow, amber arrow, green, amber and red signal lights, either alone or in connection with "walk" and "don't walk" pedestrian control signs or symbols, for the control of traffic shall be identified in Column 1 of Schedule G, Part 1 to this By-law.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSOVER:

13. The location on the City roads as set out in schedule G, Part 2 to this By-law are hereby designated as pedestrian crossovers and shall be indicated as such in the manner prescribed by the regulations made pursuant to the Highway Traffic Act of Ontario.

GENERAL:

14. (1) This by-law applies only to highways forming part of the road system under the jurisdiction of the City of Vaughan.
- (2) Sections 7, 8, 10, and 11 shall not, if compliance therewith would be impracticable, apply to:
 - (a) ambulances, police or fire department vehicles or public utility emergency vehicles,
or
 - (b) vehicles actually engaged in works undertaken for or on behalf of the City or a public transit commission.

- (3) Schedule A to G referred to in this by-law shall form part of this by-law and each entry in a Column of each Part of Schedule A to G shall be read in conjunction with the entry or entries across therefrom and not otherwise.

PENALTIES:

15. (1) Every person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided for in the Highway Traffic Act.

BY-LAWS REPEALED:

16. That the following By-laws of the City are hereby repealed:

By-law Numbers 154-71, 3410, 4-84, 44-92, 90-94, 97-87, 111-89, 125-91, 140-93, 155-91, 169-92, 170-85, 172-84, 173-88, 184-93, 188-83, 189-85, 190-90, 209-82, 209-83, 216-84, 250-93, 253-89, 264-87, 266-84, 267-82, 288-83, 321-82, 324-91, 335-85, 361-86, 390-86, 393-85, 397-87, 403-86, 425-88, 455-88, 456-88, 96-94, 237-82, 362-86, 20-90, 21-94, 126-91, 167-86, 254-89, 446-86, 32-92, 34-83, 198-93, 210-85, 453-88, 10-93, 14-90, 21-87, 28-86, 30-93, 41-94, 42-91, 45-92, 47-94, 53-88, 70-86, 71-92, 71-94, 83-86, 88-93, 90-89, 91-89, 92-94, 95-86, 100-89, 104-92, 109-84, 112-85, 127-91, 127-83, 128-94, 137-94, 141-93, 154-94, 156-91, 157-91, 161-93, 163-91, 168-92, 171-88, 174-83, 174-88, 178-93, 180-93, 184-86, 192-91, 200-89, 207-86, 208-86, 210-88, 215-84, 225-91, 228-92, 229-86, 230-86, 237-89, 240-91, 253-88, 254-89, 255-91, 265-92, 266-88, 267-84, 268-87, 271-87, 271-92, 276-93, 279-93, 280-89, 284-91, 289-92, 294-90, 306-83, 307-91, 310-88, 311-86, 313-87, 313-84, 322-88, 322-88, 336-85, 337-85, 345-89, 345-84, 345-89, 358-91, 359-92, 360-87, 363-90, 364-88, 364-87, 364-83, 365-89, 371-88, 373-86, 374-86, 420-87, 424-88, 425-86, 436-86, 450-86, 472-88, 2194, 329-90, 54-88, 150-93, 189-90, 197-90, 256-89, 296-87, 299-86, 314-87, 406-86, 433-88, 283-91, 389-89, 98-87, 136-82, 54-83, 3132, 110-78, 2736, 3769, 67-89, 27-93, 129-93, 141-91, 141-93, 281-90, 282-92, 5-89, 28-93, 69-90, 119-91, 172-88, 269-82, 318-93, 329-92, 329-92, 354-86, 386-91, 401-85, 111-85, 153-84, 263-93, 300-85, 313-92, 346-91, 370-86

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and finally passed this 19th day of September, 1994.

L. D. Jackson, Mayor

J. D. Leach, City Clerk