

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN

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ORDINANCE NO: 19-28

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE No. 2004-43 PERTAINING TO OPERATION OF VEHICLES, TO BE KNOWN AS "THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY IMPROPER OPERATION ORDINANCE"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council adopted Ordinance No 2004-43 entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND #95-17 OF THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO CARELESS OPERATION OF VEHICLES on June 22, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council has determined it is in the best interest of the County that this ordinance be amended to reflect a title change to the violation listed herein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND DECREED BY THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL THAT THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES BE AMENDED AS SUCH:

Section 1.

It shall be unlawful for any person, within Georgetown County, to operate any vehicle without care and caution and full regard for safety of persons and property. Any person failing to do so shall be guilty of improper operation of a motor vehicle and be subject to penalties as outlined within this ordinance.

Section 2.

Improper operation shall be unlawful and any individual found in violation of the provision of this ordinance shall be fined as such.

No person shall:

1. Drive or move a motor vehicle on any public roadway, highway, or street that is either not equipped with properly working lights, brakes, steering and other equipment or equipment is in such condition as to endanger any person or property;
2. Leave a vehicle, with engine running, or without properly removing vehicle keys, unattended on any public street, public property, or private parking lot in which the public is invited to attend;
3. Unnecessarily blow any horn, siren, loudspeakers, or sound signal while in operation of a motor vehicle on any highway, road, or street in Georgetown County, except as a danger warning, or in operation of any authorized emergency vehicle in an actual emergency;
4. Disobey traffic control devices, signs, signals, markings and/or device erected by the city, county, or state for the purpose of regulating traffic flow unless otherwise directed by a law enforcement officer, subject to exceptions granted to the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle;
5. Race the engine of a motor vehicle, in a manner to create loud unnecessary noise, while vehicle is stationary on any public highway, road, or street within the County.

Section 3.

Violation of the ordinance shall be punishable by 30 days in jail or \$500.00 fine, or both. This ordinance shall take effect upon final approval by Georgetown County Council.

DONE, RATIFIED, AND ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

John Thomas, Chairman
Georgetown County Council

ATTEST:

Theresa E. Floyd, Clerk

This Ordinance No. 19-28 has been reviewed by me and is hereby approved as to form and legality.

Wesley P. Bryant, Georgetown County Attorney