

ARTICLE 503  
Cruising

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CROSS REFERENCES

Unauthorized use of vehicle - see 18 Pa. C.S.A. §3928  
Vehicle operation - see TRAF. Art. 513

503.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this article, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) "Cruising" means driving a motor vehicle on a street past a traffic control point, as designated by the Police Department, more than twice in any two hour period, between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 3:30 a.m. The passing of a designated control point a third time under the aforesaid conditions shall constitute unnecessary repetitive driving and therefore a violation of this article.
- (b) "Designated area" is herein defined as Market Street from the 900 block west and eastward therefrom through and including the 1200 block east, and the 1200 block east Philadelphia Street and westward through and including the 900 block west. These designated streets shall be clearly marked with permanent fixed signs advising the public that the area is subject to regulation under the City Cruising Ordinance.
- (c) "Traffic control point" means a clearly identified reference point on a designated street, as determined and marked time-to-time by the Police Department.  
(Ord. 67-1989 § 1. Passed 5-16-89.)

503.02 CRUISING PROHIBITED.

No person shall engage in unnecessary repetitive driving, also known for purposes of this article as cruising. For purposes of this article, the person having control and/or ownership of a motor vehicle shall be considered the person cruising, without regard as to whether that person was actually driving the motor vehicle each time it passed the traffic control point. Having control or ownership of a motor vehicle means either the owner of the vehicle as stated on the vehicle registration if present in the vehicle at the time of the violation, or if the owner is not present in the vehicle, the person operating the vehicle at the time of the violation of this article.  
(Ord. 67-1989 §1. Passed 5-16-89.)

**503.03 EXCLUSIONS.**

This article shall not apply to any municipal, emergency, police, fire, ambulance or other governmental vehicle when same is being operated in an official capacity. In addition, this article shall not apply to any duly licensed public transportation vehicle nor to any vehicle utilized for business and/or commercial purposes.  
(Ord. 67-1989 §1. Passed 5-16-89.)

**503.04 SEVERABILITY.**

The provisions of this article are severable and if any of its sections, clauses or sentences shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, such provisions shall not affect or impair any of the remaining sections, clauses or sentences.  
(Ord. 67-1989 §1. Passed 5-16-89.)

**503.99 PENALTY.**

Any person violating the provisions of this article shall be guilty of a summary offense and upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) and not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) together with cost of prosecution, or imprisonment of not more than ninety days (90 days), or both.  
(Ord. 1-2009. Passed 1-6-09.)

