

## ***55-8-109. Obedience to any required traffic-control device.***

*(Tennessee Code Annotated – State Law)*

**Total Fine including Court Administration fee is \$107.75 for each violation.**

**(a)** *The driver of any vehicle and the operator of any streetcar shall obey the instructions of any official traffic-control device applicable thereto placed in accordance with this chapter and chapter 10, parts 1-5 of this title, unless otherwise directed by a traffic or police officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in this chapter.*

**(b)**

**(1)** *No provision of this chapter for which signs are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator if at the time and place of the alleged violation an official sign is not in proper position and sufficiently legible to be seen by an ordinarily observant person.*

**(2)** *Whenever a particular section does not state that signs are required, that section shall be effective even though no signs are erected or in place.*

**(c)** *For purposes of this section, "traffic or police officer" means every officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations or a person licensed under title 62, chapter 35, who is retired in good standing from being a commissioned, POST-certified law enforcement officer and who has notified the chief law enforcement officer in the jurisdiction where the retired officer will be directing or regulating traffic at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance, or as soon as possible in the event of an emergency, prior to performing traffic control functions in such jurisdiction.*

**(d)** *A violation of this section is a Class C misdemeanor.*

# ***12.12.050 – Obedience to traffic-control devices***

*(Metro Code – Local law)*

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*The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of an official traffic-control device applicable thereto, placed in accordance with the provisions of this title, unless otherwise directed by a traffic or police officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in this title.*

# 12.12.110 – Traffic Lanes

*(Metro Code – Local law)*

**Total Fine including Court Administration fee is \$107.75 for each violation.**

- A. The department of public works is authorized to mark traffic lanes upon the roadway of any street or highway where a regular alignment of traffic is necessary.
- B. A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practical entirely within a single lane, and shall not be moved from such lane until the driver has first ascertained that such movement can be made with safety.
- C. Upon a roadway which is divided into three lanes for two-way movement of traffic, a vehicle shall not be driven in the center lane except when overtaking and passing another vehicle where the roadway ahead is clearly visible and such center lane is clear of traffic within a safe distance, or in preparation for a left turn, or where such center lane is at the time allocated exclusively to traffic moving in the direction the vehicle is proceeding and is signposted and/or signalized to give notice of such allocation.
- D. Official signs may be erected directing slow-moving traffic to use a designated lane or allocating specified lanes to traffic moving in the same direction, and drivers of such vehicles shall obey the directions of every such sign.