## **City of Santa Rosa Cruising Ordinance**

#### Title 11: Vehicles and Traffic

# **Chapter 11-16: Cruising Prohibited Within the Core Area of the City**

#### 11-16.010 Definitions.

The following definitions shall apply in this chapter:

- (A) "Core area" is defined as that area of the city bounded by Interstate Highway 101 on the west, Franklin Avenue/North Street/Montgomery Drive/Brookwood Avenue on the east, Steele Lane/Lewis Road on the north and Sonoma Avenue on the south.
- (B) "Cruise" and "cruising" are defined as the repetitive driving of a motor vehicle past a traffic control point in traffic which is congested or near the traffic control point, as determined by the ranking peace officer on duty within the affected area, within a two-hour period, and after the vehicle operator has been given adequate written notice that further repetitive driving will be a violation of this chapter.
- (C) "Highway" and "vehicle" are defined by Sections 360 and 415 of the California Vehicle Code, respectively. (Ord. 2713 § 1, 1988)

### 11-16.020 Cruising prohibited.

- (A) Cruising is prohibited in the core area.
- (B) No person shall be guilty of cruising unless:
  - (1) That person has driven a motor vehicle past the same traffic control point two or more times within a two- hour period and has, upon driving past the traffic control the first time, been given written notice that further driving past the traffic control point shall be a violation of this code.
  - (2) Signs have been posted on the streets subject to cruising controls as set forth in Section <u>16-16-030</u> of this code. (Ord. 2713 § 1, 1988)

### 11-16.030 Signs.

Signs shall be erected at the beginning and end of that portion of any street subject to cruising controls. The signs shall state briefly and clearly that cruising is prohibited by Section <u>11-16.020</u> of this Code. (Ord. 2713 § 1, 1988)

# 11-16.040 Exclusions.

This chapter shall not apply to emergency vehicles in service, taxicabs for hire and buses operated by a government agency and traveling along a fixed route. (Ord. 2713 § 1, 1988)

#### 11-16.050 Diverting traffic.

If little or no traffic is moving in the affected area and vehicles do not move when an opportunity arises to do so, a police officer may divert vehicles, except public safety or emergency vehicles, from that congested street or highway, until reasonably flowing traffic is restored. (Ord. 2713 § 1, 1988)

### 11-16.060 Violation - Penalty.

A violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be an infraction punished as follows:

- (A) For the first violation, by a fine not exceeding \$100.00;
- (B) For a second violation occurring within one year of a prior violation that resulted in conviction, a fine not exceeding \$200.00;
- (C) For a third or any subsequent violation occurring within one year of two or more prior violations resulting in convictions, a fine not exceeding \$250.00. (Ord. 2713 § 1, 1988)