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**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03- 006  
Series of 2003**

**TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION ORDINANCE  
OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOON, BOHOL**

**ARTICLE I. Short Title and Scope**

Section 1. *Title of Code.* – This Code shall be known as the Traffic and Transportation Ordinance of the Municipality of Loon, Bohol.

Section 2. *Scope of Code.* – The provisions of this Ordinance shall administer and control, as far as they apply, the operation of all motor vehicles in the Municipality of Loon.

**ARTICLE II. Definition of Terms**

Section 3. *Words and Phrases Defined.* – As used in this Ordinance.

*Motorized Tricycle Operator's Permit (MTO) – is the document granting franchise or license to operate issued to a person, natural or juridical, allowing him/it to operate motorized tricycle over zones specified therein.*

*Motor Vehicle* – shall mean any vehicle propelled by any power other than muscular power using the public highways.

*Driver* – shall mean any person duly licensed to mechanically operate a motor vehicle.

*Professional Driver* – shall mean every and any driver paid for driving or operating a motor vehicle, whether for private use or for hire to the public. It shall also mean any person driving his own motor vehicle, whether for private use or for hire to the public.

*Owner* – shall mean the actual legal owner of a motor vehicle, in whose name such vehicle is duly registered with the Land Transportation Commission. The “owner” of a government-owned motor vehicle is the head of the office or the chief of the Bureau to which the said motor vehicle belongs.

*Garage* – shall mean any building in which two or more motor vehicles, either with or without drivers, are kept ready for hire to the public, but shall not include street stands, public services stations, or other public places designated by proper authority as parking spaces for motor vehicles for hire while awaiting or soliciting business.

*Highways* – shall mean every public thoroughfare, public boulevard, driveway, avenue, park alley and callejon, but shall not include roadway upon grounds owned by private persons, colleges, or other similar institutions.

*Parking or parked* – for purposes of this Ordinance, shall mean that a motor vehicle which are brought to a stop on any side of a street with blinking lights on but without a driver or left unattended are considered “parked” or “parking”.

*Trailers* – shall mean having any number of wheels when propelled or intended to be propelled by attachment to a motor vehicle, classified as separate motor vehicle with no power rating.

*Public Road* – includes national, provincial, municipal or barangay roads.

*Sidewalk* – refer to a narrow pathway at a side of a road intended for the use of pedestrian.

*Alleys* – refer to a narrow street, passageway or byway.

*Lanes* – refer to a narrow pathway or byway.

*Pedestrian* – means any person who is supposed to follow the crosswalk when crossing the highway, avenue and city street or walking on the sidewalk on the side by the Highway.

*Traffic* – Pedestrian, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, streets cars and other conveyances either singly or together while using any street for purpose of travel.

*Traffic Control Signals* – shall mean any device manually operated by which traffic is alternatively directed to stop and to proceed or is otherwise controlled.

*Traffic Control Devices* – shall mean all signs, signals, pavement of markings, traffic cones placed or erected by authority of the city council or officials having jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating warning or guiding traffic.

*Signalized Intersection* – shall mean an intersection where traffic is controlling by official traffic control signal.

*Motor Scooter* – shall mean any motorcycle propelled by a motor which produces not more than (five) 5 horse power.

*Passenger Vehicle* – shall mean the buses, jeepneys, multi-cabs, V-hire or (four to eight) 4-8 wheeler vehicles intended to transport passengers with or without cargoes.

*Motorcycle for rent* – shall mean a motorcycle offered for rent or for use in consideration of a sum of money. However, in all instances, the motorcycle be driven by a duly licensed driver.

*Tricycle* – shall mean a motorcycle with attached cab intended to transport passengers or cargoes.

*Stop Line* – shall mean a clearly visible/white or extending across a roadway or any portion thereof to indicate the point at which all vehicles of whatever class required to stop in compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance.

*Center Line* – shall mean continuous or broken line marked upon the surface of roadway by point or by other traffic control devices to indicate such portions of the roadway allocated to traffic proceeding in the two opposite directions.

*Marked Crosswalk* – shall mean any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for the pedestrians crossing by lines or other marking on the surface.

### **Article III. Administrative**

#### **Section 4. *Creation of Municipal Franchising and Regulatory Board.***

- a. Franchise shall mean in this Ordinance as a privilege or right granted by a sovereign or by the Sangguniang Bayan to an individual or to a corporation.  
(Sec. 1, MO 1996-08a)
- b. The absolute power to grant franchise rests on the Sangguniang Bayan of Loon.  
(Sec. 2, MO 1996-08)
- c. There shall be a Franchising Rate which amount shall be determined by the Franchising and Regulatory Board.  
(Sec. 3, MO 1996-08)
- d. The Municipal Franchising and Regulatory Board is composed of the Chairman, Chair Committee on Public Works and Utilities; Vice Chairman, Municipal Treasurer and three (3) members: Chief of Police, Chair Committee on Peace and Order and NGO/Private Sector.
- e. Any person who violates this section shall suffer the following penalties:

First Offense	- Fine of P 200.00
Second Offense	- Fine of P 500.00
Third Offense	- Fine of P2,000.00

  
(Sec. 5, MO 1996-08)

#### **Section 5. *Municipal Traffic Management Board.***

- a) *Creation.* – There is hereby created a Municipal Traffic Management Board and shall be known and referred to as the MTMB.

b) *Composition of the Board.* – The board shall be composed of the following:

1. Chief of Police ----- Chairperson
2. Private Sector Consultant
3. One (1) Representative, SB Municipality of Loon, Bohol
4. Chief, Traffic Division, PNP Municipality of Loon, Bohol
5. One (1) Representative from the Municipal Mayor who is a regular employee.
6. Three (3) Representatives from the NGO, particularly from the Bus/Jeepneys, Tricycles/Motorelas and Multicab Operators and Drivers Association.
7. Municipal Engineer

The Vice-Chairperson and other officers shall be chosen from among themselves.

The private sector consultant, office of the Municipal Mayor and NGO shall be appointed/designated by the Municipal Mayor.

c) *Functions and Duties of the Municipal Traffic Management Board.*

1. Conducts periodic review of the implementation of the Municipal Traffic Ordinance as well as the reports and the recommendations submitted by the Municipal Traffic Management Office;
2. Evaluates the effectiveness of the traffic management schemes being implemented by the Municipal Government;
3. Reviews the efficiency and effectiveness of the implementation of the Municipal Traffic Ordinance and other rules and regulations by the Municipal Traffic Management Office; and
4. Serves as a consultative and advisory body to the Municipal Mayor and the Sangguniang Bayan Committee on Transportation in matters pertaining to traffic operations and management in the Municipality of Loon, Bohol.

Section 6. Municipal Traffic Management Office. –

a) *Creation.* – There is hereby created a Municipal Traffic Management Office directly under the office of the Mayor whose head of office shall be designated by the Municipal Chief Executive.

b) *Duties and Functions of the Municipal Traffic Management Office.* –

1. To plan and prepare a comprehensive traffic management scheme for the Municipality of Loon and recommend to the Municipal Mayor the designation of routes for common carrier buses, jeepneys, multicabs, motorelas and tricycles operating in the Municipality of Loon;
2. To implement and enforce the Municipal Traffic Ordinance and other municipal traffic rules and regulations;
3. To maintain, improve, fabricate, repair construct and install traffic facilities and equipment, intersection, island and other channelization;

4. To recommend to the Municipal Mayor the designation of what vehicles of government, department and public service corporations shall be authorized emergency vehicles, other than vehicles of the fire department, police vehicles, ambulances and alagad vehicles;
  5. To establish, place and maintain traffic signs, signals, pavement marking and other traffic control devices as it may deem necessary when special occasions or emergencies warrant such action, but when there is in its opinion and apparent need for such traffic control devices to remain in use for a period of time exceeding one month; application must be made to the Municipal Council for approval of said traffic control devices;
  6. To conduct and carry out continuous information, education and communication activities in support to a dynamic, acceptable and sustainable land transportation program;
  7. To implement and enforce charges, toll fee, service fee of any passenger vehicle passing, loading and unloading at Loon Municipal Transport Terminal.
  8. To submit to the Honorable Municipal Mayor and the Sangguniang Bayan periodic and special reports relative to land transportation.
- c) The Municipal Traffic Management Office as created shall be composed of three (3) branches or sections, namely: the Administrative Branch; Operation Branch; and the Engineering Branch, with their corresponding duties and functions, to wit:
1. *Administrative Branch.* –
    - 1.1. To conduct research and survey on land traffic management for the promotion of fast, safe and efficient movements of traffic flow, specially vehicular and pedestrian flow;
    - 1.2. To conduct periodic review of existing ordinances, rules and regulations on land transportation and traffic and recommend amendments, revisions, repeal of ordinances;
    - 1.3. To keep record of all vehicles operating in the Municipality of Loon which shall include the name of the registered owners, users and their addresses and other information relating to the physical identification of motor vehicle;
    - 1.4. To prescribe the rate of the administrative fine or penalty to be imposed to the violators who admit the violation and willing to settle the same with the Office without having the case filed in the court;
    - 1.5. To issue summons to violators of the Municipal Traffic Ordinance and other relative to traffic rules and regulations;
    - 1.6. To coordinate and cooperate with other government agencies and entities concerned in any aspect involving public land transportation service with the end in view of affecting continuing improvement of such services;
    - 1.7. To perform such other functions as may be directed by the Chief, MTMO.

2. *Operation Branch.* –

- 2.1. To enforce the provisions of the Municipal Traffic Ordinance and other traffic rules and regulations and supervise traffic aides or enforcers;
- 2.2. To conduct investigation and hearing of complaints for violations of rules and regulations on land transportation and traffic and to recommend appropriate penalties or other sanctions deemed necessary;
- 2.3. To conduct investigation on all traffic or vehicular accidents that occurs within the Municipality of Loon;
- 2.4. To cause the filing of a complaint or information and secure the issuance of warrant of arrest against violators who fail or refuse to obey the Citation Tickets;
- 2.5. To conduct seminars, workshop, forum assemblies, lakbay-aral for the acceptability and sustainability of policies, rules and regulations on transportation and traffic management;
- 2.6 To perform such duties and function as may be directed by the Chief, MTMO.

*2. Engineering Branch. –*

- 3.1. To construct, fabricate, improve, maintain, install, repair traffic facilities and equipment, intersections, island and other channelization;
- 3.2. To coordinate with national and provincial agencies and private agencies and private groups in the maintenance of traffic during road construction, digging and excavation for physical projects;
- 3.3. To performs such other functions as may be directed by the Chief, MTMO.

*Section 7. The Municipal PNP Traffic Enforcers of the PNP Traffic Division and other Members of the Police Department. –*

- a) The Municipal PNP traffic enforcers of the PNP Traffic Division are hereby given the authority and the primary responsibility and duty to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance and all the national vehicle laws applicable to street traffic in the Municipality of Loon.
- b) Officers and members of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the Chief of Police are hereby authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand or signal in conformance with the provisions of this Ordinance; Provided, however, in the event of fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or to safeguard pedestrians, officers of the police department may direct traffic as conditions may require notwithstanding the provisions herein.
- c) Officers and members of the police department are hereby authorized to display portable signs within certain intersection forbidding vehicle drivers to perform specific maneuvers. Said portable signs shall only be displayed at a specified intersection during times of traffic congestion when in the opinion of the Chief of Police such restrictions are necessary to expedite the movement of the traffic through the intersection.

- d) Officers and members of the fire department when at the fire scene may direct or assist the police in directing traffic thereat or in the immediate vicinity.

**Section 8. *Municipal Traffic Aides.***-

- a) *Creation.* – There is hereby created the team of Municipal Traffic Aides (MUTRA) under the supervision of the Municipal Traffic Management Office to assist specifically in the implementation of all traffic rules and regulations.
- b) *Qualifications.* – A traffic aide shall be male, physically and psychologically fit, of good moral character, 20 to 45 years of age, at least 5'4" tall, at least a high School graduate, a natural born Filipino, and a bona fide resident of Loon, Bohol for at least six (6) months at the time of his application as traffic aide.
- c) *Screening Committee.* – The applicant for traffic aide must present himself personally to the Honorable Municipal Mayor or his duly authorized representative before he shall be allowed to undergo screening by the Municipal Traffic Management Board (MTMB).
- d) *Uniforms.* – The traffic aides shall be provided with appropriate uniforms, equipment, and other devices to ensure efficiency in the fulfillment of their duties and responsibilities in the service.
- e) *Authority to Issue Citation Tickets.* – In the enforcement of traffic rules and regulations, the traffic aides (MUTRA MEMBERS) shall be authorized to issue citation tickets for traffic violators. In addition thereto, they will assist in the implementation of anti-littering, anti-car washing and repair and other existing ordinances and laws whose violations take place in the streets and other public places.

**ARTICLE IV. Operation of Motor Vehicles and Traffic Rules**

**Section 9. *License to Drive Motor Vehicles.*** –

- a) *No person shall operate any motor vehicle without having in his possession a valid license to drive a motor vehicle.*

The license shall be carried by the driver at all times when operating a motor vehicle, and shall be shown and/or surrendered for cause and upon demand to any person with authority to confiscate the same.

- b) *Penalty.* –

- 1) Failure to carry a driver's license while driving, One Hundred Pesos (P100.00).
- 2) Driving a vehicle with a delinquent or invalid driver's license, One Hundred Pesos (P100.00).
- 3) Driving a motor vehicle without first securing a driver's license, Two Hundred Pesos (P200.00).

**Section 10. *Headlights.*** –

- a) Every motor vehicle of more than one meter of projected width, while in use on any public highway shall bear two headlights, one on each side, with white or yellowish light visible from the front, which, not later than one-half hour after

sunset and until at least one-half hour before sunrise and whenever weather conditions so require, shall both be lighted.

Additional lamps and light may be carried, but no red lights shall be visible forward or ahead of the vehicle. Trucks, buses, trailers, and other similar vehicles must carry, while in use of any public highway during night time, colored riding lights on each of the four corners not more than ten centimeters from the top.

All motor vehicles shall be equipped with devices for varying the intensity of light, and the driver must dim the headings or tilt the beams downward whenever the vehicle is being operated on well lighted streets within the city and thickly populated districts, or whenever such vehicle meets another vehicle on any public highway.

- b) *Penalty.* – Violations of this Section, a fine of not less than Fifty Pesos (P50.00) shall be imposed.

**Section 11. *Right-Side Driving.* –**

- a) Unless a different course of action is required in the interest of the safety and security of life, person or property, or because of unreasonable difficulty of operation in compliance herewith, every person operating a motor vehicle or an animal-drawn vehicle on a highway shall pass to the right when meeting persons or vehicles coming toward him, and to left when overtaking persons or vehicles going the same direction, and when turning to the left in going from the highway to another, every vehicle shall be conducted to the right of the center of the intersection of the highway.

**Section 12. *Speed Restrictions.* –**

- a) Any person driving a motor vehicle on a highway shall drive the same at a careful and prudent speed, not greater nor less than is reasonable and proper, having due regard for the traffic, and width of the highway, and of any condition then and there existing; and no person shall drive any motor vehicle upon a highway at such a speed as to endanger the life, limb and property of any person, not at a speed greater than will permit him to bring the vehicle to a stop within the assured clear distance ahead.
- b) Subject to the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the rate of speed of any motor vehicle shall not exceed the following:

**MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE SPEED**

	<u>MOTORCYCLES, PASSENGER JEEP, MULTI CAB AND THE LIKE</u>	<u>TRUCKS, BUSES, V- HIRE AND AUTOMOBILE</u>
1) On open highways or country roads, with no "blind corners", and not closely bordered by habitations	50 km. per hour	80 km. per hour
2) On "through streets" or avenues clear of		



traffic, with no "blind corners", when so designed	30 km. per hour	40 km. per hour
3) On municipal streets and roads with light traffic, when not designated "through street"	30 km. per hour	30 km. per hour
4) Through crowded streets, approaching intersections at "blind corners" passing school zones, passing other parked vehicle or for similar dangerous circumstances	20 km. per hour	20 km. per hour

c) *Exemptions.* – The rates of speed here-in-above prescribed shall not apply to the following:

- 1) A physician or his driver when the former responds to emergency calls;
- 2) The driver of a hospital ambulance on the way to and from the place of accident or other emergency;
- 3) Any driver bringing a wounded or sick person for emergency treatment to a hospital, clinic or any other similar place;
- 4) The driver of a motor vehicle belonging to the Armed Forces while in use for official purposes in riot, insurrection or invasion;
- 5) The driver of a vehicle, when he or his passenger are in pursuit of a criminal;
- 6) A law-enforcement officer who is trying to overtake a violators of traffic laws; and
- 7) The driver of any fire department vehicle to respond to fire conflagration.

Section 13. *Overtaking a Vehicle.* –

- a) The driver of any motor vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass at a safe distance to the left thereof and shall not again drive to the right side of the highway until safety clear of such overtaken vehicle, except that, on the highway, within a business or residential district, having two or more lanes for the movement of traffic in one direction, the driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle on the right. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to prohibit a driver overtaking and passing upon the right of other vehicle which is taking or about to make a left turn.

Section 14. *Giving Way of Overtaking Vehicle.* –

- a) The driver of a vehicle about to be overtaken by another vehicle approaching from the rear shall give way to the overtaking vehicle on suitable and audible signal

being given by the driver of the overtaking vehicle, and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

Section 15. *Restrictions on Overtaking and Passing.* –

- a) The driver of a vehicle shall not drive to the left side of the center line of a highway in overtaking or passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction, unless such left side is clearly visible, and is free of on coming traffic for a sufficient distance ahead to permit such overtaking or passing to be made in safety.
- b) The driver of a vehicle shall not overtake or pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction, when approaching the crest of a grade, nor upon a curve in the highway, where the driver's view along the highway is obstructed within a distance of five hundred (500) feet ahead, except on a highway having two or more lanes for movement of traffic in one direction where the driver of a vehicle may overtake or pass another vehicle; Provided, that on a highway, within a business or residential district, having two or more lanes for movement of traffic in one direction, the driver of a vehicle may overtake or pass another vehicle on the right.
- c) The driver of a vehicle shall not overtake or pass any other vehicle proceeding in the same direction, at any railway grade crossing, nor at any intersection of highways, unless such intersection or crossing is controlled by a watchman or a peace officer, except on a highway two or more lanes for movement of traffic in one direction where the driver of a vehicle may overtake or pass another vehicle on the right. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a driver overtaking or passing, upon the right, another vehicle which is making or about to make a left turn.
- d) The driver of a vehicle shall not overtake or pass, or attempt to overtake or pass, any other vehicle proceeding in the same direction in any "no-passing or overtaking zone".
- e) The driver of a vehicle shall not overtake or pass, or attempt to overtake or pass, any other vehicle proceeding in the same direction in any "no-passing or non-overtaking zone".

Section 16. *Right of Way.* – The following rules shall be observed in yielding the right of way:

- a) When two vehicles approach or enter an intersection at the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right of way to the vehicle on the right, except as otherwise provided herein. The driver of any vehicle traveling at any unlawful speed forfeit any right of way which he might otherwise have hereunder.
- b) The driver of a vehicle approaching but not having entered an intersection, shall yield the right of way to a vehicle within such intersection of turning therein to the left across the line of travel of such first mentioned vehicle, provided the driver of the vehicle turning left has given a plainly visible signal of intention to turn as required therein.
- c) The driver of any vehicle upon a highway within a business or residential district shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing such highway within a crosswalk, except an intersection where the movement of traffic is being regulated by a peace officer or by traffic signal. Every pedestrian crossing a highway within a business or residential district, at any point other than crosswalk, shall yield the right of way to vehicles upon the highway.

- d) The driver of a vehicle upon a highway shall bring full stop such vehicle before traversing any "through street" or railroad crossing; *Provided*, hazard exists, the vehicle may be slowed down to ten (10) kilometers per hour instead of bringing it to a full stop.

Section 17. *Exemption to Right of Way Rule.* –

- a) The driver of a vehicle entering a highway from a private road or drive shall yield the right of way to all vehicles approaching on such highway.
- e) The driver of a vehicle upon a highway shall yield the right of way to a police or fire department vehicle or ambulance when such vehicles is being operated on official business and the driver thereof sounds audible signal of his approach.
- f) The driver of a vehicle entering a "through street" or "stop intersection" shall yield the right of way to all vehicles approaching in either direction on such "through street". *Provided*, that nothing in this Section shall be construed as relieving the driver of any vehicle being operated on a "through street or highway" from the duty of driving with due regard to the safety of vehicles entering such highway or street nor as protecting the said driver from the consequence of an arbitrary exercise of such right of way.

Section 18. *Signal on Starting, Stopping or Turning.* – The following rules shall be observed before starting, stopping or turning a vehicle:

- a) The driver of any vehicle upon a highway, before starting, stopping or turning from a direct line, shall, first see that such movement can be made in safety, and if any pedestrian may be affected by such sounding the horn, and whenever the operation of any other vehicle approaching or following may be affected by such movement, shall give a signal plainly visible to the driver of such other vehicles of the intention to make such movement.
- b) The signal herein required shall be given by means of extending the hand and arm beyond the left side of the vehicle, or by any approved mechanical or electrical signal device.

Section 19. *Turning at Intersections.* – The following shall be observed when turning at intersections:

- a) The driver of a vehicle intending to run to the right at an intersection shall approach such intersection in the lane for traffic nearest to the right-hand side of the highway and, in turning, shall keep as close as possible to the right-hand curb or edge of the highway.
- b) The driver of a vehicle intending to turn to the left shall approach such intersection in the lane for the traffic to the right of and nearest to the center of line of the highway, and in turning, shall pass to the left of the center of the intersection, except that, upon highways lane for traffic and upon one-way streets, a left turn shall be made from the left lane of traffic in the direction in which the vehicle is proceeding.
- c) For the purpose of this Section, the center of the intersection shall mean the meeting of the medial lines of the highways intersecting one another, except when it is occupied by a monument, grass plot or any permanent structure, other than a traffic device.

Section 20. *Stopping, Standing or Parking Prohibited in Specified Places.* – No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle or motorcycle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or directions of a police officer or traffic control device in any of the following places:

- a) On a sidewalk, except as otherwise provided herein;
- b) Within four feet of either of a public or private driveway;
- c) Within an intersection;
- d) Within six meters of the intersection of curb lines;
- e) Within four meters of the driveway entrance to any fire station;
- f) Within four meters of a fire hydrant;
- g) On a crosswalk; and
- h) Within thirty meters upon the approach of any control device.

Section 21. *Penalty for Violation.* – For violation of any provisions of this Article, a fine of not less than One Hundred Pesos (P100.00).

Section 22. *Traffic Control Signals.* –

a) *Obedience to Official Traffic Control Devices.* – The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control device applicable thereto, unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer or any other person authorized to direct, control or regulate traffic.

b) *Traffic Conditions.* – A driver of a vehicle shall always be alert on pedestrians, bicycles, motorcycles, tricycles and parked cars. It is much difficult to drive on municipal streets. There are so much confusion such as traffic signs, buses, jeepneys, trucks, ambulances, fire trucks, pedestrians, parked cars, narrow alley, school zones, hospital zones, and one way streets. Drivers must have a good driving skill when driving on municipal streets.

c) *At Intersections.* –

- 1) Stay on the proper lane.
- 2) Slow down your speed if you want to turn.
- 3) Use your signal light before you turn.
- 4) Stay on the proper lane after your lane.

g) *No Passing or Overtaking Lane Markings.* – A center line strip divide in the middle highways for two lanes of traffic moving in opposite directions. A black or yellow line divide the ground while a white dark line divide highways of darker surfaces. Drivers should never cross the center line except when passing a vehicle proceeding in the same direction, or making a left turn.

On other hazardous areas, a single yellow or white line or stripe means no passing or overtaking, or when the yellow line is on your side, do not make any pass.

h) *Ambulance, Fire Trucks, Police and Military Vehicles.* – A driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to all fire trucks, ambulance, police and military vehicles which are on emergency or official missions. You can usually notice them by their sirens.

Pull to the right, slow down or stop as soon as you hear the emergency siren of these vehicles. Always make it easy for them to pass.

i) *Interference with Official Traffic Control, Devices, Signs or Signal.* – No person shall, without lawful authority, attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down or remove any official traffic control device, sign or signal or any inscription, shield or insignia thereon, or any other part thereof.

j) *Penalty.* – Any person found violating any provision of this section shall be liable to pay the fines and/or imprisonment herein below prescribed:

P 100.00 – First offense;

P 200.00 – Second offense; and

P 400.00 – Third offense or imprisonment of not less than 3 days or both upon the discretion of the court.

Section 23. *Reckless Driving.* – No person shall operate a motor vehicle on any highway recklessly or without reasonable caution considering the width, traffic, grades, crossing, curvatures, visibly and other conditions of the highway and the conditions of the atmosphere and weather, or so as to endanger the property or the safety or rights of any person or so as to cause the excessive unreasonable damage to the highway.

Section 24. *Right of Way for Police and Other Emergency Vehicles.* – Upon the approach of any police or fire department vehicles, or of an ambulance giving audible signal, the driver of every vehicle shall immediately drive the same to a position as near possible and parallel to the right-hand edge of a highway, clear of any intersection of highways, and shall stop and remain in such position unless directed by a peace officer or until such vehicle shall have passed.

Section 25. *Hitching to a Vehicle.* – No person shall hang on to, or ride on, the outside or the rear end of any vehicle, and no person on a bicycle, roller skate or other similar device, shall hold fast to or hitch on to any moving vehicle, and no driver shall knowingly permit any person to hang on to ride on the outside or rear end of his vehicle or allow any person on a bicycle, roller skate or other similar device to hold fast or hitch to his vehicle.

Section 26. *Driving while under the Influence of Liquor or Narcotic Drugs.* – No person shall drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor or narcotic drug.

Section 27. *Obstruction of Traffic.* – No person shall drive his motor vehicle in such a manner as to obstruct or impede the passage of any vehicle, nor while discharging or taking passengers or loading or unloading freight, obstruct the free passage of other vehicles on the highway.

Section 28. *Regulating the Use of Any Portion of Any Public Roads, Sidewalks, Alleys, or Lanes.* –

a) No person shall use any portion of any public roads, sidewalks, alleys, or lanes, for the following purposes:

a.1) Drying of apparels, whatever kind of cereals, buri palms or other agricultural products;

a.2) Repairing and washing of vehicles and other home appliances;

a.3) Bathing or laundering or other similar purposes;

a.4) Hawking or peddling of any goods, merchandise, wares or any articles of commerce;

a.5) Placing of construction materials or waste materials or demolished/renovated buildings;

- a.6) Installation of business stalls, advertisement or other similar objects;
- a.7) Placing junk or unused vehicles; and
- a.8) Parking areas for motorcycles and tricycles, including big vehicles except in designated parking area.

Any person who violates this Section shall suffer the following penalties:

1. First Violation – Notice of warning will be served to the owner/operator to stop the said use.
2. Second Violation – Failure to stop the said use after the grace period to three (3) days, a fine of Two Hundred Pesos (P200.00) or imprisonment of not less than ten (10) days but not more than thirty (30) days or both such fine and imprisonment shall imposed at the discretion of the court.

*Section 29. Abandoned/Unattended Motor Vehicles/Trailers On Public Highway and/or Municipal Streets. –*

- a) *Abandoned Vehicles on Public Highway.* – No person natural or juridical shall abandon any vehicle on the public highway. The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to remove or cause to be removed any such abandoned vehicles from the highway and/or municipal streets, and the registered owner of such vehicle shall be liable for all reasonable expenses incurred by such removal. Leaving vehicles unattended to for more than 48 hours shall constitute abandonment within the meaning of this section.
- b) *Unattended Motor Vehicle.* – No person operating or in-charge of a motor vehicle shall permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, locking of ignition, removing the ignition key from the vehicle and effectively setting the brakes thereon, and when standing upon any grade, turning the front wheels to the curb or side of the highway.
- c) *Penalty.* – Anyone who violates this section shall be subject to the following penalty:

Driver/Owner/Operator of motor vehicle shall pay to the Municipal Treasurer's Office a fine of:

- P 200.00 - First offense
- P 300.00 - Second offense
- P 500.00 - Third offense or imprisonment of not less than two (2) days or both upon the discretion of the court.

*Section 30. Authority to Store Vehicles. –*

- a) Members of the Police Department are hereby authorized to remove a vehicle from a municipal street or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety under the circumstances herein after enumerated.
  1. When a vehicle upon a highway is so disabled as to constitute an obstruction to traffic and the person or persons in charge of the vehicle are, by reason of physical injury, incapacitated to such an extent as to be unable to provide for its custody or removal.

2. When a vehicle is left unattended upon a street and is so parked illegally as to constitute a definite hazard or obstruction to the normal movement of traffic.
3. When any vehicle is left unattended upon any street, avenue or causeway where such vehicle constitute an obstruction to traffic.
4. When any vehicle is left unattended and parked in from of a public or private driveway so as to constitute an obstruction to vehicular traffic using such driveway for purpose of egress and ingress.
5. When any vehicle is left unattended upon any street within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant, on a crosswalk/pedestrian lane and within the intersection.

Section 31. *Authority to Dispose of Unclaimed Vehicles.* –

- a) The Chief of Police is hereby authorized and empowered to recommend to the Municipal Mayor the disposal of vehicles which have been taken in custody by the Chief of Police or his authorized subordinates. Such disposition shall be at Public Auction under such procedure as the Sangguniang Bayan shall establish. Written notice of such auction shall be sent to the last known registered owner by registered mail, addressed to the owner's last known address at least ten (10) days prior to the date of auction, and the said auction shall be held not earlier than sixty (60) days after the date upon which such vehicle may claim the same at any time prior to such auction upon payment of all costs and expenses relating to the towing and storage of such vehicle by the police or his authorized subordinates.
- b) The funds derived from any auctions shall be used to defray the expenses of such auction and any other expenses incurred in taking into custody or keeping such vehicles, and the balance, if any, shall become part of the General Fund.

Section 32. *Refueling.* – It shall be the duty of any driver and conductor of for hire vehicles to replenish their vehicles with the necessary fuel before they shall begin to pick up passenger for the next trip. Passenger vehicles going to the gasoline station located on the streets outside their designated routes will be allowed provided the signboard "GAS STATION" be visibly placed on the vehicle.

Section 33. *Conveyance.* – No person operating a passenger vehicle or tricycle shall deny conveyance of passengers to passengers to proper destination within this municipal, except when such driver/operator, at appropriate time is going to take his meal or retire for a reasonable cause.

Section 34. *Loading and Unloading Rules.* –

- 34.1) Parking area for passenger vehicles from Tubigon to Tagbilaran shall be at the right side of the national highway in front of left portion of the Loon Public Market.
- 34.2) Loading and unloading area for passenger vehicles from Tagbilaran to Tubigon shall be at the Loon Bus Terminal.
- 34.3) Parking area for passenger vehicles from Loon to Tagbilaran and any point of destination shall be at the Loon Bus Terminal.
- 34.4) Loading area from Loon to Tagbilaran shall be in front of the right portion of the Loon Public Market.

- 34.5) Loading area from Loon to Sandingan, Catagbacan, Upper Loon, Calape and Tubigon shall be at the Loon Bus Terminal.
- 34.6) Loading area from Loon to Cuasi/ Loon south shall be at the right side of the Mesina street.
- 34.7) Parking area for TRICYCLES bound for Loon South shall be at the left side of the Mesina street along the Loon Public Market.
- 34.8) Parking area for tricycles bound for Loon North shall be at the right portion of the Loon Public Market up to the Mesina street.
- 34.9) Parking area for tricycles/sikadsikad from Loon to hospital or Loon to Lintuan, Napo, Municipal hall or any short distance of not more than 2 kilometers shall be at the left portion facing the Loon Public Market.
- 34.10) Parking area of motorcycles for rent shall be along Perez street near corner Garcia street.
- 34.11) Right Side Street Parking Only – all four (4) wheeled non-passenger private vehicles including motorcycles except cargo trucks are allowed right side parking except in prohibited areas.
- 34.12) Parking areas for cargo trucks shall be at the lower portion of Garcia street from the national highway.
- 34.13) The national highway between Ramirez street and Garcia street shall be a prohibited parking area:

*Section 35. Flow of Traffic in the Poblacion Area during Carnivals, Fairs or Town Fiesta. –*

- a) During the holding of any carnival and fair held in the Poblacion this Municipality, the following route shall be observed:

Vehicle operators or drivers coming from the South should pass through Ponce de Leon Street and thence through Del Pilar Street and on the National Highway, while vehicles coming from the North should pass through Gomez Street, thence Juan Luna Street, thence Del Pilar Street and on to the National Highway.

- b) If there is no carnival or fair held in the Poblacion, this Municipality, the routes stated in the preceding paragraph (a) should be followed only during the occasion on the town fiesta for the period of two (2) days, particularly during the vesper day and the day of the fiesta. (Sec. 1, MO 1960-17)
- c) Any operator or driver found violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not less than Fifty Pesos (P 50.00) nor more than Two Hundred Pesos (P 200.00) or an imprisonment of not less than ten (10) days nor more than twenty (20) days, or both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

*Section 36. Excess Loading of Passenger Trucks. –*

- a) No operator or his driver and conductor of passenger vehicles shall load their respective trucks with passengers more than what has been authorized or registered capacity of such passenger vehicles or trucks operated or driven and



conducted by them, within the jurisdiction on this municipality of Loon, Bohol.  
(Sec. 1, MO 1960-20a)

- b) Any operator or driver and conductor found violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be fined in the amount of not less than Fifty Pesos (P 50.00) but not more than Two Hundred Pesos (P 200.00) per excess passengers, or an imprisonment of not less than one day nor more than five days per excess of passengers, or both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

*Section 37. Vehicles of other Municipalities not to engage in Business in the Municipality without Permit from the Mayor. –*

- a) No tricycle registered or coming from other municipalities shall engage in the business of transporting or carrying passengers or goods for compensation within the municipality of Loon, Bohol without a permit from the Office of the Municipal Mayor.  
(Sec. 1, MO 1972-03)
- b) The Municipal Mayor may issue a permit upon payment of Twenty Pesos (P 20.00) for each day's operation to any individual to operate if such would benefit the riding public without prejudice to the interest of the locally registered tricycle.  
(Sec. 2, MO 1972-3)
- c) Any violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of One Hundred Pesos (P 100.00) but not more than One Hundred Fifty (P 150.00) for the first offense, Two Hundred Pesos (P 200.00) but not more than Two Hundred Fifty Pesos (P 250.00) for the second offense, and Three Hundred Pesos (P 300.00) for the third offense. In case of non-payment of such fine the motor cab shall be held by the municipal government until payment.  
(Sec. 2, MO 1972-3a)

*Section 38. Motor Vehicles not to enter the Loon Public Market. –*

- a) All kinds of motor vehicles including bicycles are prohibited to enter the premises of the Loon Public Market at all times.  
(Sec. 1, MO 1987-02)
- b) Any person found guilty of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred Pesos (P 100.00) nor more than Three Hundred Pesos (P 300.00).
- Section 39. Prohibiting Minors to Drive a Passenger/Cargo Vehicle. –*

- a) Any minor or person below 18 years old is prohibited to drive a motor vehicle.
- b) Any person who violates this section shall be fined the following:

First Offense	-	P 50.00
Second Offense	-	P 100.00
Third Offense	-	Cancellation of operators permit to operate a passenger/cargo vehicle.

*Section 40. Speed Limits Rule. –*

- a) No person or persons shall operate or drive their respective vehicles beyond the speed of thirty (30) kilometers per hour within the distance from the point at the Municipal Building to the point at the Loon Central School building this municipality the provisions of existing laws notwithstanding.  
(Sec. 1, MO 1960-18)

b) The 40 KPH speed limit in the main thoroughfare shall be enforced two (2) kilometers from the Municipal Hall to Basac area and two (2) kilometers towards from Loon South Central School towards Basdacu area.

c) Violation to this section shall be fined:

First Offense	-	P 50.00
Second Offense	-	P 100.00
Third Offense	-	P 200.00 and succeeding offenses

Section 41. *Drying of Copra, Cereals or other Articles in the National Highway.* –

a) No person or persons shall use the national highway or any part or portion thereof, within this municipality for drying or re-drying copra, corn or any cereal or other articles at any time of the day. (Sec. 1, MO 1966-24)

b) Any person or persons found violating the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction suffer the penalty of *arresto menor* in its minimum period, or a fine of Fifty Pesos (P 50.00) for the First Offense; the penalty of *arresto menor* in its medium period, or a fine of One Hundred Pesos (P 100.00) for the Second Offense; the penalty of *arresto menor* in its maximum period of Two Hundred Pesos (P 200.00) for the Third or later offenses; or both fine and imprisonment in all those cases at the discretion of the court. If the violation is committed by a corporation, partnership, association or any legal entity, its president, manager, or head shall be liable thereof.

Article V. Loon Terminal

Section 42. *Loon Bus Terminal.* –

42.1 *Designated Area.* – The space at the back of Loon Public Market is hereby designated as the Loon Bus Terminal.

42.2 *Administration.* – The Municipal Administrator shall exercise direct and immediate supervision and administration over the Loon Bus Terminal and the personnel thereby; including those whose duties concern the maintenance, upkeep, peace, and order of the terminal premises. There shall be assigned a Bus Terminal Supervisor, a Terminal Inspector and other Terminal Personnel.

42.3 *Loading and Unloading.* – Loading and unloading of passengers and cargoes shall be at the Loon Bus Terminal.

42.4 *Compulsory Use/Parking.* – All public utility buses, mini-buses and other public transport with franchise to operate a distance of over 32 kilometers to and from Municipality of Loon shall park at the Municipality of Loon Bus Terminal as their final destination in the Municipality for the purpose of loading and unloading of passengers and cargoes.

42.5 *Blowing or Honking of Horns.* – Blowing or honking of horns inside the Loon Bus Terminal is hereby prohibited.

42.6 Any violation of any provisions of this Article shall suffer a penalty of not less than Two Hundred Pesos (P 200.00) but not less than Five Hundred Pesos (P 500.00) or imprisonment of two (2) days or both at the discretion of the Court.

42.7 Imposition of fees – There shall be collected service fees, tool fees, and charges of any passenger vehicle passing, loading and unloading at the Loon Municipal Transport Terminal and other designated parking area.

a) Passenger Bus	P	10.00 per day
b) Ford Fiera, Jeep, PUV, PUJ, Multicab, V-Hire, other related passenger vehicles		5.00 per day
c) Tricycles/Motorcycle for rent		3.00 per day

42.8 To impose fees for cargo trucks as follows:

a) 10 wheelers truck per park	P	50.00
b) 6 wheelers truck per park		30.00
c) other cargo trucks per park		20.00

42.9 Any violation of the provisions of this Article shall suffer a penalty of:

First Offense	-	P 100.00
Second Offense	-	200.00
Third	-	500.00

#### Article VI. Operation of Motor Vehicles

##### Section 43. *Tricycle Franchise Process.* –

a) *Regulated Acts.* – No person shall engage in the operation of tricycle for hire without first securing a “franchise” from the Sangguniang Bayan and a Mayor’s permit and license.

b) *Administrative Provisions.* –

1. The applicant for a franchise shall file an application at the Sangguniang Bayan together with the following requirements:

- A. Official Reciept (OR) and Certificate of Registration (CR) from the Land and Transportation Office (LTO).
- B. Police Clearance.
- C. Inspection Slip.
- D. Application for Business License and Permit.
- E. Sworn application for Certificate of Public Convenience to operate, duly verified.
- F. Barangay Certification Fee on the existence of tricycle garage.  
All papers to be filed in a folder.

2. The Sangguniang Bayan in its session will consider or deliberate on the application for franchise. Approval of the applications for a certificate of Public Convenience shall be in form of a commission- type “Order” duly signed by the members of the Sangguniang Bayan concurring the same. The Sanggunian order shall contain the name or names of the person or persons whose application for franchise is approved or disapproved and specifying whether the franchise is for “Motorcab” or Motorela”, the coverage area of its operation and the date of effectivity and expiration of the franchise and all other conditions necessary.

3. The application for the franchise shall be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the municipality of not less than one (1) week. The Sangguniang Bayan shall conduct a public hearing to this effect.
4. Each applicant whose application had been approved shall be issued a "Motor Tricycle Operator's Permit" (MTO) or Franchise Certificate which shall be completely filled-up and certified by the Secretary of the Sangguniang Bayan by authority of the Sangguniang Bayan. It shall be displayed in the tricycle unit together with the Mayor's Permit.
5. The mayor's permit may be issued to the applicant as a tricycle operator if he/she is a holder of a franchise issued by the Sangguniang Bayan subject to the following requirements:
  - a) Official Receipt (OR) and Certificate of Registration (CR) issued by the Land Transportation Office (LTO) in favor of the applicant.
  - b) Police Clearance issued by the Chief of Police of this municipality.
  - c) Inspection Slip issued by the local Philippine National Police (PNP) traffic section;
  - d) Application for franchise duly notarized authenticating that the applicant is the registered owner of the vehicle based on the official receipt (OR) and certificate of registration (CR) issued by the Land Transportation Office (LTO);
6. The franchise granted, unless earlier revoked or otherwise provided for by the Sangguniang Bayan, shall be valid for a period of three (3) years and renewable thereafter. The franchise shall be non-transferable except with the consent of the Sangguniang Bayan.
7. A Mayor's permit is valid for one (1) year only from January 1 to December 31 of the current year. Operators who fail to renew their permits on the first twenty (20) days of January shall pay an additional fee of 25% penalty based on the regular fee for renewal which is February 1 to February 15 of the succeeding year shall automatically relinquish their privilege to operate.
8. The Mayor from time to time may order the checking or thorough inspection of motorized tricycle in order to determine their road worthiness to transport passengers or cargoes by any inspecting officer duly designated or authorized by the Municipal Mayor.

*Section 44. Rules and Regulations in the Operation of Tricycles. –*

1. The operation of motorized tricycle within the Municipality of Loon, Bohol shall be for private, public or commercial purposes.
2. The measurement of the sidecar shall not exceed in length the motor vehicle to which it is attached, and not to exceed 1.60 meters in width from the tip of the left handlebar of the motorcycle to the extreme right edge of the sidecar. A permanent cover shall be constructed over the driver.
3. Tricycle operators shall provide their respective units with an extra tire and inner tube, both in good condition. The units must be equipped with a complete lights (front and rear), strong brakes, horns and shock absorbers; and it must be fitted with a four stroke engine to have ample

power to carry the sidecar and its passengers, and to minimized if not minimized if not totally eradicate smoke belching of the units.

4. Tricycle operators are required to put a sign board at the roof above the driver's side with the mark "FOR HIRE" the lettering of which is red in color with white background and "SPECIAL TRIP" the "NOT FOR HIRE" lettering of which is white with red background, all in bold letters and measuring 51 times 17 centimeters and put one bulb over the signboard to be lighted during night time.
5. Tricycle operators are required to provide receptacle for trash in their vehicle with the use of plastic bags.
6. A number to be determined and recorded by the Chief of Police with a size of ten (10) inches square shall be printed conspicuously inside car facing the passenger and the same number of the same size shall likewise be placed in front and at the back of the sidecar.
7. No tricycle shall be allowed to operate without registration plate issued by the Municipal Treasurer upon payment of the cost thereof.
8. The rate of charges of motorized tricycles used for public purposes shall be in accordance with the rates fixed by the Sangguniang Bayan.
9. The tricycle operator shall have the rates inscribed clearly on a conspicuous place of the motorized tricycle as prescribed by the Sangguniang Bayan.
10. Tricycles shall be registered with the Mayor's Office for a capacity of four (4) or six (6) passengers. However, the existing units regardless of the number of passengers shall be retained until its revocation, or change of another item. The uniform standard as to the built-in form of the tricycle shall be patterned with that prescribed by the municipal engineer in coordination with the traffic section.
11. Under no circumstances shall the operator employ in the operation of its motorized tricycle service discourteous, and habitually negligent drivers.
12. Operators shall before registering with the Mayor's Office, secure insurance with a reputable insurance company to answer for third party liability arising from the operation of the service.
13. Any operator of tricycles applying for a license or renewal of license must establish ownership of the motorcycle and of the sidecar.
14. Substitution of another motorcycle also owned by the operator, can be done only after this is reported and approved by the Mayor who shall furnish pertinent data to the Traffic Division, TFD.
15. The Mayor from time to time may order the checking of tricycles in order to determine their roadworthiness.
16. Every motorized tricycle should bear the markings (a) "Loon" symmetrically; (b) the assigned number; (c) the name of the driver actually driving; (d) schedule of fares; (e) the sign "FOR HIRE" if already to transport passenger, or the sign "ON CALL" if it is to get particular

passenger or passengers, (f) the name of the franchise holder if it is for public use or the name of the owner, if private, or the name of the establishment if it is for commercial use. No other markings or signs shall be allowed except those required for pertinent laws, and advertisements allowed.

17. That every motorcycle driver shall wear shoes, long pants, and decent clothes, and shall observe personal hygiene.
18. The franchise holder or duly licensed operator may waive his privilege in favor of any qualified person, subject however, to the approval by the Office of the Mayor.
19. For any violation of this ordinance, a fine of not less than Fifty Pesos (P 50.00) but not more than Two Hundred Pesos (P 200.00) or an imprisonment of not less than three (3) days not more than six (6) days or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

Section 45. *Motorcycle for rent.* –

- a) Operators of motorcycle for rent must secure first an annual Mayor’s Permit of Three Hundred Pesos (P 300.00) before they transact business in the municipality of Loon.
- b) The driver must possess a driver’s license and the motorcycle for rent must be in good condition including signal light and horn, duly inspected by the Traffic section of this municipality.
- c) The capacity of any motorcycle for rent including driver shall be limited to four (4) persons only.
- d) Any violation thereof shall be penalized:

First Offense	-	Two Hundred Pesos (P 200.00);
Second Offense	-	Three Hundred Pesos (P 300.00);
Third Offense	-	Five Hundred Pesos (P 500.00), and revocation of Mayor’s Permit.

Section 46. *Fare Rates.* –

- a) The following areas within the municipality shall be considered as within the radial travel scheme where minimum fare rate may be collected from passenger who ride the motorized tricycle from a point of origin to certain points of destination.

From the kilometer zero at the Loon Public Market, to the area of destination, the following shall be the minimum fare per passenger, to wit:

<u>TRICYCLES</u>	<u>FARE</u>	<u>STUDENT, SR. CITIZEN DISABLED PERSONS</u>
1. For the first two (2) kilometers or fraction thereof;	P 4.00	20% discount privilege
2. For each succeeding kilometer or fraction thereof.	0.50	

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the schedule of fare rate shall be displayed conspicuously in the motor cab.

- ii) Any passenger who refuses to pay the above-prescribed rates of fare shall be fined Twenty Pesos (P 20.00).

Section 47. *Bicycle.* –

- a) *Regulated Acts.* – No person shall operate bicycle of whatever kind unless he register his bicycle in the office of the Municipal Mayor and pay to the Municipal Treasurer's Office the registration plate number duly issued in connection therewith.
- b) The registration plate number shall be placed properly at the rear portion of the bicycle. Said bicycle must be provided at all times with bell, horn, or any other paraphernalia to give alarm to pedestrians of its approach;
- c) *Penalty.* – For violation of any provision of this Section, the bicycle shall be impounded and the same shall be returned only after the necessary receipt to be issued by the police authorities and the same can be taken by the owner only upon payment of impounding fee of P10.00 for the first offense, P20.00 for the second offense and P30.00 for the third and subsequent offenses, plus an additional P5.00 per day after the first two (2) days of impounding in every case.

Article VII. Citations, Arrest and Clearance

Section 48. *Citation Tickets.* – For every traffic violation, the offender is issued a Citation Ticket by any member of the Municipal PNP Traffic Enforcement Division or any member of Loon Traffic Aides (LTA) directing said offender to personally report and appear before the Office of the Chief of Police of the Municipal PNP within seven (7) days from the date of issue of said citation ticket for the purpose of recording in the Log Book the name of said offender and the traffic violation, and further directing said offender to pay a fine at the Municipal Treasurer's Office.

However, if the traffic violator reports to the Office of the Chief of Police of the Municipal PNP within the reglamentary period of seven (7) days, he shall be entitled to "compromise" payment of less twenty (20) percent of the fine at the discretion of the Municipal Traffic Enforcement Division. After the lapse of reglamentary period the violators shall not be entitled anymore of the said compromise payment of less than twenty percent (20%) of the fine imposed upon him.

Section 49. *Procedure Upon Apprehension.* –

- a) Except when authorized or directed by law to immediately take a person arrested for violation of the traffic laws before a magistrate any authorized police officer or any traffic enforcer upon making an arrest for violation of this ordinances of the Municipality of Loon shall take the name, address and operator's license number of the alleged violator and the registered number of the motor vehicle involved shall be issued to him a citation ticket warning him to answer to the charge against him at a place and at the time within seven (7) days after such arrest.
- b) In every case when a citation is issued the original of the same shall be given to the violator or in the case of an unattended vehicle the original of the same shall be affixed to said vehicle.

Section 50. *Failure to Obey Summons.* – Any person who fails to appear at the place and within the time specified in the summon or citation issued to him by an officer

upon his arrest for any traffic violation is guilty of misdemeanor regardless of the disposition of the charge he was arrested.

Section 51. *Clearance.* – No renewal of the Driver’s license or registration of motor vehicle or motorcycle shall be allowed by the Land Transportation unless a clearance is first secured from the Municipal Police Traffic Law Enforcement Division. The purpose of the clearance is to show whether the driver or owner of a vehicle or motorcycle has derogatory record with the Municipal Traffic Division and to prevent the violator from deliberately evading payment of delinquent fines.

#### Article VIII. Accidents

Section 52. *Duty of Driver in Case of Accident.* – In the event that any accident should occur as a result of the operation of the motor vehicle upon a highway, the driver of that vehicle shall stop immediately, and, if required by any person present shall show his driver’s license, give his true name and address and also the true name and address of the owner of the motor vehicle.

No driver of the motor vehicle concerned in a vehicular accident shall leave the scene of the accident without aiding the victim, except under any of the following circumstances:

- a) If he is in imminent danger of being seriously harmed by any person or persons by reason of the accident;
- b) If he reports the accidents to the nearest officer of the law; or
- c) If he has to summon the physician or nurse to aid the victim.

Section 53. *Accidents Involving Death or Personal Injuries.* – The driver of any vehicle in an accident resulting in injury or death of any person shall immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of accident or as close thereto as possible but shall then forthwith return to and in every event shall remain at the scene of the accident until he has fulfilled the requirements provided herein. Every such stop shall be made without obstructing traffic any more than is necessary.

Section 54. *Accident Involving Damages to a Vehicle.* – The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting only in damage to a vehicle which is driven or attended by any person shall immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of the accident or as close thereto as possible but shall forthwith return to and in every event shall remain at the scene of such accident until he has fulfilled the requirements of Section 3, Article V. Every such stop shall be made without obstructing traffic any more than is necessary.

Section 55. *When Drivers Unable to Report.* – Whenever the driver of the vehicle is physically incapable of giving an immediate notice of the accident as herein required and there was another occupant in the vehicle at the time of the accident capable of doing so, such occupant shall make or cause to be given the notice not given by the driver.

Section 56. *Police Department to Tabulate and Analyze.* – The police department shall tabulate and may analyze all traffic accident reports and shall publish annually or at more frequent intervals statistical information based thereon as to the number and circumstances or traffic accident.



Article IX. Final Provisions

Section 57. *Repealing Clause.* – Any provision to the previous ordinance which may be inconsistent herewith shall be deemed repealed.

Section 58. *Effectivity.* – This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

**“APPROVED BY MAJORITY VOTE.”**

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-quoted Municipal Ordinance.

**ATTY. RAUL P. BARBARONA**  
Vice-Mayor  
(Presiding Officer)

**A T T E S T E D:**

**FIDELINO P. CORITICO**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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**CESAR TOMAS M. LOPEZ, M.D.**  
Municipal Mayor

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_