

CHAPTER 12-6 RIGHT-OF-WAY REGULATIONS

12-6-1

GENERALLY

Subject to the exceptions stated in this article, the right-of-way rules as between vehicles at intersections is hereby declared as follows:

- A. What two (2) vehicles approach an intersection at approximately the same time, the operator of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on the right.

- B. The operator of any vehicle traveling at an unlawful speed shall forfeit any right-of-way which he may otherwise have hereunder.

Legislative History:
Ordinance No. 5, Article VI,
§100, 3/11/74.

Authority:
SDCL § 32-26-13; Also see §
9-45-1 and Ch. 9-31 and
32-26 generally.

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LEFT TURN

The driver of a vehicle within an intersection intending to turn to the left shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction which is within the intersection or so close thereto as to constitute an immediate hazard.

The driver of a vehicle intending to turn to the left into an alley, private road or driveway shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction which is so close thereto as to constitute a hazard.

Legislative History:
Ordinance No. 5, Article VI,
§101, 3/11/74.

Authority:
SDCL § 32-26-19 and Ch.
9-31 generally.

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EMERGENCY VEHICLES

The operator of a vehicle upon a public street shall yield the right-of-way to authorized emergency vehicles when the latter are operated upon official business and the operators thereof sound audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle. This provision shall not relieve the operator of an emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the street, nor shall it protect the operator of any such vehicle from the consequences of an arbitrary exercise of such right-of-way.

Legislative History:
Ordinance No. 5, Article VI,
§102, 3/11/74.

Authority:
SDCL § 32-26-15 and Ch.
9-31 generally.