

IC 9-21-9

Chapter 9. Slow Moving Vehicles

IC 9-21-9-0.5 Version a

Applicability

Note: This version of section effective until 1-1-2015. See also following version of this section, effective 1-1-2015.

Sec. 0.5. (a) This chapter does not apply to the following:

- (1) An electric personal assistive mobility device.
- (2) A low speed vehicle.
- (3) Except as provided in subsection (b), a golf cart or off-road vehicle.

(b) An ordinance adopted in accordance with IC 9-21-1-3(a)(14) or IC 9-21-1-3.3(a) may require a golf cart or off-road vehicle to display a slow moving vehicle emblem in accordance with section 3 of this chapter or a red or amber flashing lamp in accordance with section 4 of this chapter. A fine assessed for a violation of an ordinance under this section shall be deposited in the general fund of the city, county, or town.

As added by P.L.143-2002, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.21-2003, SEC.9; P.L.150-2009, SEC.14; P.L.60-2012, SEC.2; P.L.259-2013, SEC.18.

IC 9-21-9-0.5 Version b

Applicability

Note: This version of section effective 1-1-2015. See also preceding version of this section, effective until 1-1-2015.

Sec. 0.5. (a) This chapter does not apply to the following:

- (1) An electric personal assistive mobility device.
- (2) A low speed vehicle.
- (3) Except as provided in subsection (b), a golf cart or off-road vehicle.
- (4) A motor driven cycle.

(b) An ordinance adopted in accordance with IC 9-21-1-3(a)(14) or IC 9-21-1-3.3(a) may require a golf cart or off-road vehicle to display a slow moving vehicle emblem in accordance with section 3 of this chapter or a red or amber flashing lamp in accordance with section 4 of this chapter. A fine assessed for a violation of an ordinance under this section shall be deposited in the general fund of the city, county, or town.

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IC 9-21-9-1

Application of chapter

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to a vehicle that is:

- (1) pulled;
- (2) towed;
- (3) self-propelled; or
- (4) animal-drawn;

that is not under ordinary circumstances moved, operated, or driven at a speed greater than twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-9-2

Slow moving vehicle emblem; display

Sec. 2. Whenever a vehicle is moved, operated, or driven on a highway that is open for vehicular travel, the vehicle shall display a triangular slow moving vehicle emblem mounted as near as practicable to the center of mass and at an approximate height of not less than three (3) and not more than five (5) feet from level ground or pavement surface. The emblem shall be mounted so as to be entirely visible from the rear, day or night. The emblem and the emblem's position of mounting on the vehicle must meet the specifications established by rules adopted by the Indiana criminal justice institute.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.39-1993, SEC.6.

IC 9-21-9-3

Slow moving vehicle emblem; restrictions on use

Sec. 3. The use of the slow moving vehicle emblem described in section 2 of this chapter is restricted to the slow moving vehicles described in section 1 of this chapter. The use of the emblem on any other type of vehicle or stationary object on or along a highway is prohibited.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-9-4

Flashing lamps; requirements

Sec. 4. When a slow moving vehicle described in section 1 of this chapter is moved, operated, or driven on a highway at a time or under circumstances during which the use of lighted lamps on vehicles is required under this article, the slow moving vehicle must display, in addition to the slow moving vehicle emblem, a red or an amber flashing lamp mounted at a height as low as practicable that is visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear. The red or amber flashing lamp may be used at times other than when lighted lamps are required. A double-faced flashing lamp may be used, displaying amber light to the front and red or amber light to the rear.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-9-5

Design, materials, and mounting of emblems; adoption of rules; considerations

Sec. 5. (a) The Indiana criminal justice institute shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 establishing standards and specifications for the design, materials, and mounting of a standard slow moving vehicle emblem for the uniform identification of slow moving vehicles.

(b) In adopting rules under subsection (a), the Indiana criminal

justice institute shall substantially adhere to the current recommendations of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, the American National Standards Institute, and the Society of Automotive Engineers so that the slow moving vehicle emblem may be more universally recognizable and of adequate quality.

(c) The Indiana criminal justice institute shall adopt revisions to the standards and specifications adopted as required under subsection (a) as amendments are made to the recommendations of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, the American National Standards Institute, and the Society of Automotive Engineers regarding the slow moving vehicle emblem.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.39-1993, SEC.7; P.L.148-2005, SEC.4.

IC 9-21-9-6

Red flags

Sec. 6. This chapter may not be construed to prohibit the use of red flags in addition to the slow moving vehicle emblem on slow moving vehicles.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.

IC 9-21-9-7

Violations; Class C infraction

Sec. 7. A person who violates this chapter commits a Class C infraction.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.9.