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Subject: Legal Status of Cyclist

FYI

A bicycle is defined as a vehicle {316.003(2)} for purposes of the Uniform Traffic Control Law. A bicycle with an electric helper motor that cannot propel it faster than 20 mph on level ground is included in this definition.

A person in control of a vehicle on a street or highway is a driver {316.003(1)}. As a driver , a cyclist must follow the traffic rules common to all drivers. As the driver of a bicycle, he or she must also obey rules adopted specially for bicycles.

A cyclist has all of the rights to the roadway applicable to any driver, except as to the special regulation for bicycles {316.2065(1)}. A cyclist is not required to have a driver license {322.01(42)}.

Infractions of bicycle regulations in {316.2065} and moving and non-moving violations of other sections of Chapter 316 are subjected to civil penalties as provided in 318.18. (For infraction by a child cyclist, an officer could consider issuing a verbal or written warning.)

Points are not assigned to the driver license of a person who committed a violation while driving a bicycle.

Examples of Violations by Cyclist in Pinecrest.

RIDING TWO ABREAST 316.2065(6)

Cyclists may ride two abreast only within a single lane and when not impeding traffic. Cyclists may not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of the roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

LIGHTING EQUIPMENT (316.2397(7) Great PC to stop at night.

A bicycle operated between sunset and sunrise must be equipped with a lamp on the front exhibiting a white light visible from 500 feet to the front and a red reflector and a lamp on the rear light visible from 600 feet to the rear. The lamps are permitted to flash.

I have placed a Florida Bicycle Law Enforcement Guide in all patrol personnel's mail box.

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