

## ORDINANCE NO. 1332

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF DONORA, WASHINGTON COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR USE OF SKATES, SKATEBOARDS AND SCOOTERS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF DONORA.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Donora, Washington County, Pennsylvania; and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, as follows:

**SECTION I.** The following shall be the rules and regulations for use of skates, skateboards and scooters within the Borough of Donora:

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter upon the following:

(a) Any public street or alley having a grade of six (6) percent or more as posted by the Borough of Donora (i.e. Sixth Street, Second Street, First Street, etc.)

(b) Meldon Avenue, McKean Avenue, Thompson Avenue, Allen Avenue and Castner Avenue, as they are business districts and/or high volume traffic areas.

2. The following safety equipment should be worn at all times by persons engaging in skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter: helmet, knee pads, wrist guards and elbow pads.

3. No more than one (1) person shall operate or ride on any skates, skateboards or scooters at one (1) time.

4. Notwithstanding their status as pedestrians, the following shall apply to all skate, skateboard or scooter operators on streets and sidewalks:

(a) All persons engaged in skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter shall yield the right of way to all vehicular traffic upon the street.

(b) No person engaged in skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter shall suddenly leave a curb, sidewalk, berm or street or any other place of safety and ride upon or propel any skates, skateboards or scooters into or toward the path of a vehicle so close as to constitute a hazard.

(c) Where there are no pedacycle lanes, persons engaged in skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right of the roadway as practical, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

(d) All persons engaged in skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter shall yield the right of way to any pedestrian and may not overtake or pass a pedestrian while riding upon or propelling the skates, skateboards or scooters, and the operator of such skateboard or scooter shall dismount from the skateboard or scooter and shall pass or overtake pedestrians on foot, or wait until the pedestrian passes, prior to remounting the skateboard or scooter.

5. The following are strictly prohibited by any and all skate, skateboard or scooter operators:

- (a) Riding on dedicated public monuments.
- (b) Riding on any Borough steps.
- (c) Riding on private property of anyone other than the operator's own private property.
- (d) Riding on or near the fronts of any business establishments.

6. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in skating, skateboarding or operating a scooter or to ride upon, or propel any skates, skateboards of scooters upon any public thoroughfare, street, sidewalk and municipal lot in the Borough of Donora during the following times:

- (a) Between sunset and sunrise on any day.
- (b) At any other time when, due to darkness or inclement weather, persons are not clearly visible from a distance of 100 feet.

7. All persons engaged in skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter shall obey the instructions of police officers or appropriately attired persons authorized to direct, control or regulate traffic, and shall obey all traffic and pedestrian control devices and regulations as provided under the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code.

8. No person shall place a ramp, half pipe or other structure used for skating, skateboarding or riding a scooter on any public thoroughfare, street, sidewalk or municipal parking lot within the Borough.

9. Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to the following fines, penalties and sentences:

(a) For a first offense, a written warning shall be mailed to the person's residence with a copy of the rules and regulations governing skating, skateboarding and operating a scooter.

(b) For a second offense, upon conviction, the person shall be liable for a fine of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) and court costs.

(c) For a third offense, upon conviction, the person shall be liable for a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and court costs.

(d) For a fourth offense and subsequent offenses, upon conviction, the person shall be liable for a fine of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) and court costs.

**SECTION II.** Any Ordinance, or part thereof, conflicting with the terms of this Ordinance is hereby repealed.

ADOPTED this 12th day of August, 2004.

ATTEST:

Michael J. Biel  
Borough Secretary

Tony Menendez  
Tony Menendez, President of Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED this 12th day of August, 2004.

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Michael J. Biel  
Borough Secretary

John Lignelli  
John Lignelli, Mayor