

DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

NOTICE OF EMERGENCY AND PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Director of the Department of Transportation, pursuant to the authority in Sections 3, 5(3), and 6 of the Department of Transportation Establishment Act of 2002, effective May 21, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-137; D.C. Official Code §§ 50-921.02, 50-921.04(a)(3), and 50-921.05), sections 6(a)(1), 6(a)(6) and 6(b) of the District of Columbia Traffic Act, approved March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1121; D.C. Official Code § 50-2201.03(a)(1), (a)(6) and (b)), Mayor's Order 77-127, dated August 3, 1977, hereby gives notice of the intent to adopt amendments to Chapter 22 (Moving Violations) of Title 18 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR).

To help achieve the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries to travelers of the District's transportation system, these emergency and proposed rules amend Chapter 22 of Title 18 of the DCMR to reduce the speed limit throughout the District of Columbia to 20 miles per hour unless otherwise posted.

This emergency rule was adopted on June 1, 2020 and became effective immediately. This emergency rule will remain in effect until September 29, 2020, one hundred twenty (120) days from the date it was adopted.

The Director also gives notice of intent to take final rulemaking action to adopt these amendments in not less than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*.

Title 18, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, is amended as follows:

Chapter 22, MOVING VIOLATIONS, is amended as follows:

Section 2200, SPEED RESTRICTIONS, is amended as follows:

Subsection 2200.6 is amended to read as follows:

2200.6 On all streets and highways, unless otherwise designated in accordance with § 2200.2, the maximum lawful speed shall be twenty miles per hour (20 mph).

All persons interested in commenting on the subject matter in this proposed rulemaking may file comments in writing, not later than thirty (30) days after the publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*, with Anthony C. Willingham, Policy and Legislative Affairs Division, Office of the Director, District Department of Transportation, 55 M Street, S.E., 7th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20003. An interested person may also send comments electronically to publicspace.policy@dc.gov. Copies of this proposed rulemaking are available, at cost, by writing to the above address, and are also available electronically, at no cost, on the District Department of Transportation's website at www.ddot.dc.gov.