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1.0 Purpose:

To regulate bicycles onboard VTA buses, light rail vehicles and all transit facilities.

These Rules and Regulations are established in the interest of passenger convenience and safety.

2.0 Scope:

These rules and regulations governing bicycles apply to their use onboard or within all VTA vehicles and within transit facilities.

3.0 Responsibilities:

- 3.1 The Chief of Security and transportation supervisors shall be responsible for informing passengers of the consequences of violating these rules and regulations.
- 3.2 Operators shall be responsible for informing passengers of the consequences of violating these rules and regulations.
- 3.3 The Chief of Security shall be responsible for enforcing these rules and regulations.
- 3.4 Copies of these rules and regulations pertaining to bicycles onboard VTA buses, light rail vehicles and on transit facilities shall be available at the VTA Board Secretary's office located at 3331 North First Street, San Jose, California, 95134-1906 or by calling (408) 321-5680.

4.0 Rules and Regulations:

- 4.1 General Provisions
 - 4.1.1 Bicycles are prohibited, except the following types of human powered bicycles are allowed onboard or within buses and light rail vehicles and within transit facilities:
 - Folded bicycles.
 - Bicycles less than 80" long and 48" high.
 - Sealed dry or gel cell electric assisted bicycles.

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- 4.1.2 Up to two bicycles are allowed onboard buses when the exterior rack is filled or the exterior rack is not fully operational and the operator determines the passenger load permits the safe boarding, deboarding and stowing of the bicycle.
- 4.1.3 Up to six bicycles are allowed onboard light rail vehicles (up to four in the racks provided, and two in the turntable area of the vehicle.) All bicycles shall be boarded through the center doors of each light rail vehicle, and are restricted to the turntable area.
- 4.1.4 No additional fare is required. Bicyclists shall pay the required fare.

4.2 Safety

- 4.2.1 Bicycles shall not block aisles, stepwells, or doors of any bus or light rail vehicle.
- 4.2.2 Bicyclists shall not use wheelchair clamps to secure their bicycle.
- 4.2.3 Bicyclists shall avoid getting chain and sprocket grease on the bus, light rail vehicle and other passengers.
- 4.2.4 Muddy bicycles are not allowed onboard buses or light rail vehicles at any time.
- 4.2.5 Other passengers shall enter and exit before a bicyclist boards or debarks a bus or light rail vehicle with their bicycle.
- 4.2.6 Bicyclists shall walk bicycles on platforms, at all transit centers, and on station platforms.
- 4.2.7 Bicycles shall not be chained to trees, poles, light standards, pillars, etc., at VTA transit facilities. Bicycles shall be parked off station platforms in designated locations such as bicycle racks or lockers.

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- 4.3 Bicyclist Responsibilities
 - 4.3.1 Bicyclist is responsible for securing the bicycle in bicycle rack on the bus or light rail vehicle.
 - 4.3.2 Bicycles not secured in bicycle racks on the bus or light rail vehicle shall be attended by the bicyclist at all times.

4.4 Bicycle Lockers

- 4.4.1 VTA bicycle lockers may only be used to store bicycles. VTA has the right to inspect bicycle lockers, remove contents other than bicycles and will turn over the contents, excluding any contraband, to VTA's lost and found program.
- 4.5 Penalty
 - 4.5.1 Violation of the rules and regulations is cause for removal of the bicyclist from any transit vehicle or transit facility, in addition to any other penalty imposed by law.

5.0 Summary of Changes:

Version 2: On 4/30/99 the header of this document was changed from "Ordinance Number" to "Regulation Number." In addition, a regulation numbering system was implemented referencing the year and month the regulation was adopted and a number indicating the order in which the regulation was adopted that year.

6.0 Authority:

Ordinance Number 98.1, (October 1, 1998).

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