

Medina Police Department

Subject: Vehicle Lighting Exemption		Policy Number: 2370	2370 Vehicle Lighting Exemption
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2370.1 – PURPOSE

To provide a uniform guideline for all department personnel to use when operating a department vehicle, without headlights, taillights, or marine navigational lighting, while functioning as a (peace officer) of the Medina Police Department.

2370.2 – DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this policy, the following definitions apply:

Vehicle: A motor vehicle or watercraft owned, leased or otherwise the property of the State of Minnesota or a political subdivision.

Lights: refers to headlights, taillights and marine navigational lighting as Referenced in MN§ 84.87, 84.928, 169.48 to 169.65 and 86B.511.

2370.3 - PROCEDURE

A Medina officer may not operate a vehicle without lights contrary to MN STAT 169.541. LIGHTING EXEMPTION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; STANDARDS. under conditions of limited or reduced visibility as defined in MN STAT 84.87, 84.928, 169.48 to 169.65 and 86B.511:

1. On an interstate highway.
2. At speeds greater than what is reasonable and prudent under existing weather, road and traffic conditions.
3. Faster than the posted speed limit.
4. In situations where the peace officer is an active participant in the pursuit of a motor vehicle in violation of MN§ 609.487.

2370.4 – RESPONSIBILITY

It shall be the responsibility of every employee to be thoroughly familiar with and follow exactly the procedures outlined and statutes referenced in this policy at any time while employed as a peace officer for the Medina Police Department.