

## Chapter 340. Miscellaneous Driving Rules

### Section 340.180. Careless and Imprudent Driving.

[R.O. 2007 §340.210; CC 1978 §340.210; Ord. No. 609 §§1—3, 5-4-1978; Ord. No. 3668 §§2—5, 3-10-1998; Ord. No. 6042 §1, 10-23-2014]

- A. Every person operating a motor vehicle on the streets or highways within the corporate limits of the City of O'Fallon, Missouri, shall drive the vehicle in a careful and prudent manner and at a rate of speed so as not to endanger the property of another, or the life or limb of any person, and shall exercise the highest degree of care.
- B. Every person operating a motor vehicle on publicly owned or privately owned parking lots, roads or driveways within the corporate limits of the City of O'Fallon, Missouri, shall drive the vehicle in a careful and prudent manner and at a rate of speed so as not to endanger the property of another, or the life or limb of any person, and shall exercise the highest degree of care.
- C. It shall be prima facie evidence that a vehicle operator is not exercising the highest degree of care if the operator of a moving vehicle engages in any conduct that causes his or her vision or attention to be obscured, diminished or directed away from the path of travel or operation of the vehicle, including, but not limited to, by using a mirror to engage in grooming; reading anything located in the vehicle other than operational information displayed on vehicle gauges and equipment; writing; drawing; manually inputting information into a GPS or mapping device, or turning one's head substantially away from the path of travel to observe things in the vehicle or outside the vehicle but contrary to the path of travel.