



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4513.114 Light, reflector, and emblem requirements for animal-drawn vehicles.

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(A) Except as otherwise provided in division (D) of this section, no person shall operate an animal-drawn vehicle on a street or highway unless it is equipped with and displays, at the times specified in section 4513.03 of the Revised Code, both of the following:

- (1) At least one lamp displaying a white light visible from a distance of not less than one thousand feet to the front of the animal-drawn vehicle;
- (2) Two lamps displaying red light visible from a distance of not less than one thousand feet to the rear of the animal-drawn vehicle, or as an alternative, one lamp displaying a red light visible from a distance of not less than one thousand feet to the rear and two red reflectors visible from all distances of six hundred feet to one hundred feet to the rear when illuminated by the lawful lower beams of headlamps.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in division (D) of this section, no person shall operate an animal-drawn vehicle on a street or highway unless it is equipped with and displays, at all times, all of the following:

- (1) One yellow flashing lamp displaying yellow light that is visible from a distance of not less than one thousand feet and that is mounted in either of the following positions:
 - (a) On the top most portion of the rear of the animal-drawn vehicle;
 - (b) On the top of the animal-drawn vehicle.
- (2) At least one of the following:
 - (a) An SMV emblem mounted in accordance with division (B) of section 4513.112 of the Revised



Code;

(b) Micro-prism reflective tape that is visible from a distance of not less than five hundred feet to the rear when illuminated by the lawful lower beams of headlamps;

(c) Both an SMV emblem and micro-prism reflective tape, as specified in this division.

Lamps and micro-prism reflective tape required by this section shall meet standards and specifications adopted by the director of public safety under this section.

(C) The director of public safety, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules establishing standards and specifications for the position and mounting of the lamps and micro-prism reflective tape required by this section. The rules shall only permit the micro-prism reflective tape to be red, amber, white, or silver in color.

(D)(1) Divisions (A) and (B) of this section do not apply to the operator of animal-drawn agricultural equipment who is not transporting any livestock or a person other than the operator.

(2) No operator described in division (D)(1) of this section shall operate animal-drawn agricultural equipment unless it is equipped with and displays, at all times, the SMV emblem mounted in accordance with division (B) of section 4513.112 of the Revised Code.

(3) As used in divisions (D)(1) to (3) of this section, "animal-drawn agricultural equipment" means equipment drawn by the muscular power of an animal that is used solely for agricultural purposes.

"Animal-drawn agricultural equipment" includes any of the following:

(a) A plow ;

(b) A manure spreader;

(c) A thresher.

(E) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.