

**12-5-11      INTERFERENCE WITH OFFICIAL TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES OR RAILROAD SIGNALS.**

A. No person shall, without lawful authority, attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down, or remove any official traffic-control device or any railroad sign or signal or any inscription, shield, or insignia thereon, or any other part thereof. (66-7-109 NMSA 1978)

B. No person shall hide or obscure any official traffic-control device or railroad sign or signals by parking a vehicle or erecting any object or by allowing bushes, hedges, trees or other vegetation to grow so as to obscure traffic-control devices or railroad signals. An obstruction includes, but is not limited to, any sign, fence, ornament, hedge, shrub, tree or display, but it does not include a building.

C. Unobstructed vision for traffic safety shall be maintained by the property owner or occupant on all corner lots regardless of the zone classification. No obstruction between three and eight feet above the street level shall be placed or maintained within a triangular area bounded by the street property lines of the corner lot and a line connecting the points 25 feet distant from the intersection of the property lines of such lot.

D. Every obstruction interfering with official traffic-control devices or railroad signals is a public nuisance, and the administrator may remove the obstruction or cause it to be removed without notice and assess costs involved to the violator. (\*)

**12-5-12      PLAY STREETS.**

A. The administrator has authority to declare any street or part of a street a temporary play street and to place appropriate signs or devices in the street to indicate and help protect the street.

B. Whenever authorized signs are erected to indicate a play street, no person shall drive on the street except drivers of vehicles whose residences are within the closed area. Such drivers shall exercise the greatest care in driving on the play street. (\*)

**12-5-13      CROSSWALKS AND SAFETY ZONES.** The administrator, upon the basis of engineering and traffic study investigations, may:

(1) designate and maintain crosswalks by appropriate devices, marks or lines on the surface of the street where, in his opinion, there is particular danger to pedestrians crossing the street; and

(2) establish safety zones of the kind and character and at places he deems necessary for the protection of pedestrians. (\*)