

**67.000 - MOTOR VEHICLE—SAFETY BELT REQUIREMENTS Ord. No. 01-001 Adopted: March 19, 2001**

An ordinance to provide for seatbelt regulations and penalties for violation of this ordinance.

THE TOWNSHIP OF ATLAS, COUNTY OF GENESEE, STATE OF MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Township Motor Vehicles, Safety Belt Requirements Ordinance.

**Section 710d** Except as provided in this section, or as otherwise provided by law, a rule promulgated pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306 MCL 24.201 to 24.328, or federal regulation, each driver transporting a child less than 4 years of age in a motor vehicle shall properly secure that child in a restraint system that meets the standards prescribed in 49 C.F.R. 571.213.

This section does not apply if the motor vehicle being driven is a bus, school bus, taxicab, moped, motorcycle, or other motor vehicle not required to be equipped with safety belts under federal law or regulations.

A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

**Section 710e** Each driver and front seat passenger of a motor vehicle operated on a street or highway in this state shall wear a properly adjusted and fastened safety belt, except that a child less than 4 years of age shall be protected as required in 710d. If there are more passengers than safety belts available for use, and all safety belts in the motor vehicle are being utilized in compliance with this section, the driver of the motor vehicle is in compliance with this section.

Each driver of a motor vehicle transporting a child 4 years of age or more but less than 16 years of age in a motor vehicle shall secure the child in a properly adjusted and fastened safety belt. If the motor vehicle is transporting more children than there are safety belts available for use, all safety belts available in the motor vehicle are being utilized in compliance with this section, and the driver and all front seat passengers comply with subsection 710d, then the driver of a motor vehicle transporting a child 4 years of age or more but less than 16 years of age for which there is not an available safety belt is in compliance with this subsection, if that child is seated in other than the front seat of the motor vehicle. However, if that motor vehicle is a pickup truck without an extended cab or jump seats, and all safety belts in front seat are being used, the driver may transport such a child in the front seat without a safety belt.

A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days following its publication after adoption.