

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
ORDINANCE 20.353  
Council Bill 18-0285

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Dorsey, Scott, Cohen, Burnett, Reisinger  
Introduced and read first time: September 17, 2018  
Assigned to: Transportation Committee  
Committee Report: Favorable with amendments  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: February 10, 2020

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AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

1 **Police Ordinances—Repealing the Prohibition on Playing in the Street Fun**

2 FOR the purpose of repealing the legal prohibition on playing on any street, alley, lane, or other  
3 public thoroughfare; repealing the prohibition on bicycle coasting and trick riding; and  
4 conforming related provisions.

5 BY repealing

6 Article 19 - Police Ordinances  
7 Section(s) 50-41 and the Part designation  
8 "Part 6. Playing Ball, etc."  
9 Baltimore City Code  
10 (Edition 2000)

11 BY repealing

12 Article 31 - Transit and Traffic  
13 Section 18-6  
14 Baltimore City Code  
15 (Edition 2000)

16 BY repealing

17 Article 1 - Mayor, City Council, and Municipal Agencies  
18 Section(s) ~~41-4(2)(§ 50-41)~~ 41-14(2)(§ 50-41)  
19 Baltimore City Code  
20 (Edition 2000)

21 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the  
22 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

23 **Baltimore City Code**

24 **Article 19. Police Ordinances**

25 **Subtitle 50. Street Regulations**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by  
amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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**[Part 6. Playing Ball, etc.]**

**[§ 50-41. Playing in street.]**

**[(a) Prohibited conduct.]**

[It is not lawful for any person to play ball, fly a kite, or throw a stone or other object or missile while in or on any street, alley, lane, or other public thoroughfare in this City.]

**[(a-1) Enforcement by citation.]**

[(1) In addition to any other civil or criminal remedy or enforcement procedure, this section may be enforced by issuance of a civil citation under City Code Article 1, Subtitle 41 {"Civil Citations"}.

(2) The issuance of a civil citation to enforce this section does not preclude pursuing any other civil or criminal remedy or enforcement action authorized by law.]

**[(b) Penalties.]**

[Any person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, is subject to a fine not to exceed \$5.]

**Article 31. Transit and Traffic**

**Subtitle 18. Bicycles**

**[§ 18-6. Coasting; trick riding.]**

[It is unlawful for any person riding a bicycle on any of the streets, lanes, alleys, or public ways of this City:

(1) to coast by inertia or momentum without having both feet on the pedals;

(2) to ride without at least 1 hand firmly gripping the handlebars;

(3) to perform any trick or fancy riding; or

(4) to ride in any manner so as not to have the bicycle under control.]

**Article 1. Mayor, City Council, and Municipal Agencies**

**Subtitle 41. Civil Citations**

**§ 41-14. Offenses to which subtitle applies – Listing.**

**(2) Article 19. Police Ordinances**

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[§ 50-41. Playing, etc., in street, etc.

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§ 50]

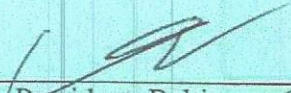
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1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance  
2 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior  
3 Ordinance.

4 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
5 after the date it is enacted.

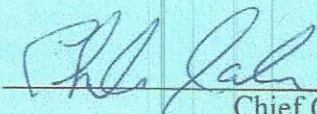
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Certified as duly passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

  
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President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

FEB 24 2020  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

  
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Chief Clerk

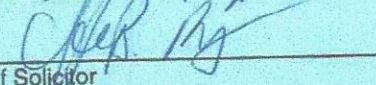
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Enacted, pursuant to Baltimore City Charter, Article IV, Section 5(c), without the  
Mayor's Signature on April 13, 2020.

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Mayor, Baltimore City

Approved For Form and Legal Sufficiency

this 28<sup>th</sup> Day of April 2020

  
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Chief Solicitor