

§ 12-303. *Maintenance of brakes.*

*All brakes shall be maintained in good working order and shall be adjusted to operate as equally as practicable with respect to the wheels on opposite sides of the vehicle.*

§ 12-304. *Brakes on motorcycles.*

(a) *The commissioner is authorized to require an inspection of the braking system on any motorcycle and to disapprove any braking system on a vehicle which he finds will not comply with the performance ability standard set forth in section 12-302, or which in his opinion is equipped with a braking system that is not so designed or constructed as to insure reasonable and reliable performance in actual use.*

(b) *The commissioner may refuse to register or may suspend or revoke the registration of any vehicle referred to in this section when he determines that the braking system thereon does not comply with the provisions of this section.*

(c) *No person shall operate on any highway any vehicle referred to in this section if the commissioner has disapproved the braking system upon the vehicle.*

§ 12-305. *Hydraulic brake fluid.*

(a) *The term "hydraulic brake fluid" as used in this section means the liquid medium through which force is transmitted to the brakes in the hydraulic brake system of a vehicle.*

(b) *Hydraulic brake fluid shall be distributed and serviced with due regard for the safety of the occupants of the vehicle and the public.*

(c) *The commissioner, after public hearing following due notice, shall adopt and enforce regulations for the administration of this section and shall adopt and publish standards and specifications for hydraulic brake fluid.*

(d) *No person shall distribute, have for sale, offer for sale, or sell any hydraulic brake fluid unless it complies with the requirements of this section.*

*Part IV—Other Equipment*

§ 12-401. *Horns and warning devices.*

(a) *Every motor vehicle when operated upon a highway shall be equipped with a horn in good working order and capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 200 feet, but no horn or other warning device shall emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound or a whistle. The driver of a motor vehicle shall when reasonably necessary to insure safe operation give audible warning with his horn but shall not otherwise use the horn when upon a highway.*

(b) *No vehicle shall be equipped with nor shall any person use upon a vehicle any siren, whistle, or bell, except as otherwise permitted in this section.*