

ORDINANCE NO. 1545

A Bill for

AN ORDINANCE relating to National defense, providing for observance of Blackouts or other restrictions imposed by civil authorities or by the Army or Navy of the United States, providing for penalties for violation, and declaring an emergency.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Council finds that in the present state of National emergency it becomes necessary from time to time to impose blackouts upon order of the civil authorities, or the Army or Navy or both, and likewise that it becomes necessary to impose certain restrictions upon civil life of the community in order that the welfare of the community and the Nation as a whole may be preserved; now, therefore, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to refuse or neglect to comply with such orders as may be issued from time to time relating to civil conduct and particularly as the same relates to orders for blackouts, restricted use of motor vehicles and other such orders promulgated by civil authorities, or by the Army or Navy of the United States, or both. During any period of blackout it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to wilfully refuse or neglect to obey any of the following rules and regulations or wilfully refuse or neglect to obey any lawful order of civil or military or naval authorities, or of the regularly or specially appointed officers charged with the enforcement of the rules and regulations governing blackouts. The Mayor and Council of the City of Albany are hereby empowered to appoint and enlist persons as may seem necessary from time to time to assist in carrying out the provisions of this ordinance. The following general provisions shall apply :

IF YOU ARE AT HOME, IN A HOTEL ROOM OR APARTMENT

1. Turn out all exterior lights.
2. See that no lighting in your house, room or apartment is visible from the outside.
3. If you cannot obscure your windows with dark materials turn off your lights, but do not use main switch.
4. Listen in on your radio.
5. Managements or hotels and apartment houses are responsible for exterior and interior lights.

MOTOR VEHICLES

1. Motor vehicles not equipped with lights in accordance with Blackout regulations promulgated by proper authorities and authorized, shall not be operated during a blackout.
2. Motor vehicles equipped with lights in accordance with blackout regulations promulgated by proper authorities and authorized, may be operated for necessary travel at a speed not to exceed 20 miles per hour.
3. Headlights shall be operated only on dim or parking beam.
4. No interior lights shall be permitted in any motor vehicle.
5. Do not drive with your lights out.
6. Do not park in front of fire exit, fire plug, hospital entrance or at a street intersection.
7. Do not block center of street as fire apparatus, police cars or other emergency vehicles may have to answer emergency calls.
8. Clear all bridges.

STORES, MANUFACTURING COMPANIES, AND INDUSTRIAL PLANTS.

1. Have district watchman or some other person on duty during blackout.
2. Be sure all exterior lights are out, including signs.
3. See that interior lights are not visible from the outside.
4. Your presence on the premises will aid materially in protecting your property.

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IF UNAVOIDABLY OUTDOORS

1. Do not travel upon streets or in public places during blackouts unless necessity requires.
2. Proceed with caution. Keep to the right. Do not run -- walk. Use extreme caution in crossing a street. Carry a flashlight.

MAIN SWITCHES

- 1 Should not be turned off.

IMPORTANT

1. Do not forget your skylight if you have one and blackout same when required.

IF YOU MUST BE AWAY FROM YOUR PREMISES, DO NOT
LEAVE ANY LIGHT VISIBLE FROM THE OUTSIDE.

Nothing contained in the above rules shall be deemed a limitation upon the authority of the civil, military or naval authorities to impose other and additional rules and regulations.

Whenever it shall be found that any building may not be completely blacked out during any blackout, then the police authorities of the City of Albany are hereby empowered to enter in and upon such premises and extinguish such lights as may be found therein.

Section 2. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of section 1 shall upon conviction thereof in the Municipal court, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$100.00 or by imprisonment in the City Jail not exceeding one month, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 3. Inasmuch as this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace and safety of the City of Albany in this: In the furtherance of the Public welfare it is necessary that immediate steps be taken to enforce blackout and other regulations; therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage by the council.

Passed by the Council December 10, 1941.

approved by the Mayor December 10, 1941.

Attest:
R.N. Butler;
Recorder.

A.G. Senders.
Mayor

STATE OF OREGON :
COUNTY OF LINN : ss:
CITY OF ALBANY :

I, R.N. Butler, Recorder of the City of Albany, Linn County, Oregon, do hereby certify that the foregoing copy of Ordinance # 1545 has been by me carefully compared with the original Ordinance Bill #1666 now on file in this office and I further certify that same is a true and correct copy of said ordinance Bill # 1666, as passed by the Council on the 10th day of December and approved by the Mayor on the same date. Witness my hand and official signature and the seal of the City of Albany, Oregon this 12th day of December 1941.


Recorder of the City of Albany, Oregon.