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NCUTCD Proposal for Change to the Rules of the Road

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This is a proposal for recommended changes to the definitions that are used in and/or are related to the Rules of the Road portion of the UVC that has been developed by a joint task force of the NCUTCD. The NCUTCD is distributing it to its sponsoring organizations for review and comment. Sponsor comments will be considered in revising the proposal prior to NCUTCD Council consideration. This proposal does not represent a revision of the UVC Rules of the Road portion unless and until approved by the NCUTCD Council.

SUMMARY:

The Rules of the Road are to be posted on the NCUTCD webpage for the information of users thereof. The Rules of the Road were previously published by the National Committee of Uniform Laws and Ordinances (NCUTLO). They suspended operations in July 2008 with the last published Uniform Vehicle Code (UVC) dated 2000. The NCUTCD determined that they would maintain the Rules of the Road, Chapter 11, UVC to update it with changes to the MUTCD providing a Rules of the Road publication that is consistent with the MUTCD for the information and use of those jurisdictions that want update their vehicle laws that are compatible with the MUTCD.

DISCUSSION:

The Rules of the Road (ROR) has definitions that need to be updated to reflect the terms used in this Chapter and modify other definitions to be consistent with the MUTCD. Several definitions are proposed for omission from the NCUTCD Rules of the Road as they are not applicable to traffic control devices or are terms that do not appear in Rules of the Road (UVC Chapter 11). Other definitions have been added to cover terms used in Chapter 11 and are consistent with the

39 recommended definitions in the MUTCD. There are a number of UVC definitions that are not
40 consistent with the recommended MUTCD definitions. Those MUTCD definitions that appear
41 appropriate are recommended to replace or revise the UVC definitions. There are some
42 definitions that are inconsistent between the UVC version and the MUTCD version that warrant
43 further consideration on wording. This recommendation is just for NCUTCD Rules of the Road
44 definitions. Revisions to the Rules of the Road text will be addressed in separate
45 recommendations.

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47 **RECOMMENDED RULES OF THE ROAD CHANGES:**

48 The following presents the proposed changes to definitions that are used in and/or are related to
49 the Rules of the Road portion of the UVC within the context of the current Rules of the Road
50 language. Proposed additions are shown in blue underline and proposed deletions are shown in
51 ~~red strikethrough~~. In some cases, background comments may be provided with the text. These
52 comments are enclosed in brackets and have light blue highlighting.

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Chapter 1 – Definitions

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58 ~~§1-101 Definition of words and phrases~~

59 The following words and phrases when used in this code shall, for the purpose of this code, have
60 the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this chapter, except when the context otherwise
61 requires interpretation. ~~and except where another definition set forth in another chapter of this~~
62 ~~code and applicable to that chapter or a designated part thereof is applicable.~~

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64 1. **Agency** - an organization with the responsibility for providing, maintaining, and/or
65 operating a public or private road system. [This is not included in the 2000 UVC definitions but
66 is used within Chapter 11 (ROR). This definition is included as a new definition in the NPA.
67 This is the definition from the NPA. This term is used in the Rules of the Road.]

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69 ~~§1-10222.~~ **Alcohol** - any substance or substances containing any form of alcohol. [Used in 11-
70 512 & various 11-9xx sections (DUI Article).]

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72 ~~§1-103~~ ~~Alcohol beverage~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used (as “alcoholic
73 beverage) in various 11-9xx sections (DUI Article).]

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75 ~~§1-104~~ ~~Alcohol concentration~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in various
76 11-9xx sections (DUI Article).]

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78 ~~§1-1053.~~ **Alley** - A street or highway intended to provide access to the rear or side of lots or
79 buildings in urban districts and not intended for the purpose of through vehicular traffic.

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81 ~~§1-106~~ ~~Any measurable and detectable amount of alcohol~~ [Not applicable to Rules of
82 the Road. Only used in various 11-9xx sections (DUI Article).]

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84 ~~§1-1074.~~ **Arterial Highway (street)** - ~~Any U.S. or State numbered route, controlled access~~
85 ~~highway, or other major radial or circumferential street or highway designated by local~~
86 ~~authorities within their respective jurisdictions as part of a major arterial system of streets or~~
87 ~~highways. a general term denoting a highway primarily used by through traffic, usually on a~~
88 ~~continuous route or a highway designated as part of an arterial system. [The edits shown to the~~
89 ~~existing UVC definition are per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged from the~~
90 ~~2009 MUTCD.]~~

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92 ~~§1-1085.~~ **Authorized emergency vehicle** - Such fire department vehicles, police vehicles
93 and ambulances as are publicly owned, and such other publicly or privately owned vehicles as
94 are designated by the commissioner of motor vehicles (or other appropriate state official). ~~under~~
95 ~~§15-111 of this code.~~ [The proposed deletion in the text is because Section 15-111 in the 2000
96 UVC will not be included in the Rules of the Road document.]

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98 ~~§1-1096.~~ **Bicycle** – ~~Every vehicle propelled solely by human power upon which any person~~
99 ~~may ride, having two tandem wheels and except scooters and similar devices. a pedal-powered~~
100 ~~vehicle upon which the human operator sits. [The edits shown to the existing UVC definition are~~
101 ~~per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged from the 2009 MUTCD.]~~

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103 ~~§1-1107.~~ **Bus** – ~~Every motor vehicle with a manufacturer's rated seating capacity of 11 or~~
104 ~~more passengers including the driver. A self-propelled rubber tired vehicle designed to carry a~~
105 ~~substantial number of passengers commonly operated on streets and highways. [The edits shown~~
106 ~~to the existing UVC definition are per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged~~
107 ~~from the 2009 MUTCD. Note that the neither the NPA nor Section 1A.13 of the 2009 MUTCD~~
108 ~~includes a definition of "bus".]~~

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110 ~~§1-1118.~~ **Business district** - The territory contiguous to and including a highway when
111 within any 600 feet along such highway there are buildings in use for business or industrial
112 purposes, including but not limited to hotels, banks, or office buildings, railroad stations and
113 public buildings which occupy at least 300 feet of frontage on one side or 300 feet collectively
114 on both sides of the highway.

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116 ~~§1-112~~ — ~~Cancellation of driver's license~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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118 ~~§1-113~~ — ~~Child Passenger Restraint System~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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120 ~~§1-1149.~~ **Commissioner[±]** - The commissioner of motor vehicles of this State. Note: If the
121 term "commissioner" is not appropriate in a particular state, then the appropriate term and
122 definition should be substituted. [The "note" is a footnote in the 2000 UVC. It is recommended
123 to include it as a note with the text rather than as a footnote.]

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125 ~~§1-115~~ — ~~Component part~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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127 ~~§1-11610.~~ **Controlled-access highway** - Every highway, street or roadway in respect to which
128 owners or occupants of abutting land and other persons have no legal right of access to or from
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130 the same except at such points only and in such manner as may be determined by the public
131 authority having jurisdiction over such highway, street or roadway.

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133 ~~§1-117~~ ~~Conviction~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in various 11-9xx
134 sections (DUI Article) and 11-16xx sections (Safe Streets Act article).]

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136 ~~§1-118~~11. **Crosswalk** –

137 (a) That part of a roadway at an intersection included within the connections of the lateral lines
138 of the sidewalks on opposite sides of the highway measured from the curbs or, in the
139 absence of curbs, from the edges of the traversable roadway; and in the absence of a
140 sidewalk on one side of the roadway, that part of a roadway included within the extension of
141 the lateral lines of the existing sidewalk at right angles to the centerline.

142 (b) Any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated ~~as a for~~
143 pedestrian crossing by pavement marking lines ~~or other markings~~ on the surface, which
144 might be supplemented by contrasting pavement texture, style, or color. [The edits shown to
145 the existing UVC definition are per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged
146 from the 2009 MUTCD.]

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148 ~~§1-120~~ ~~Dealer~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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150 ~~§1-118~~12. **Department** - The department of motor vehicles of this State.

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152 ~~§1-121~~ ~~Disclose~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in various 11-9xx sections
153 (DUI Article).]

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155 ~~§1-122~~13. **Divided highway** - A highway divided into two or more roadways by leaving an
156 intervening space or by a physical barrier or by clearly indicated dividing section so constructed
157 as to impede vehicular traffic.

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159 ~~§1-123~~14. **Drive** – To operate or be in physical control of a vehicle.

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161 ~~§1-124~~ ~~Driveway towaway operation~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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163 ~~§1-125~~15. **Driven** - To have operated or been in physical control of a vehicle.

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165 ~~§1-126~~16. **Driver** - Every person who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle.

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167 ~~§1-127~~ ~~Driver's license~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in various 11-9xx
168 sections (DUI Article) and 11-16xx sections (Safe Streets Act article).]

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170 ~~§1-128~~17. **Driving** - Operating or being in physical control of a vehicle.

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172 18. **Driveway**- an access from a roadway to a building, site, or abutting property. [This
173 is not included in the 2000 UVC definitions. This definition is per the NC docket response. This
174 definition is unchanged from the NPA but is not included in Section 1A.13 of the 2009 MUTCD.
175 This term is used in the Rules of the Road.]

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177 ~~§1-129~~19. **Drug** - A controlled substance as defined by State or federal law or any other drug
178 or psychoactive substance capable of impairing a person's physical or mental faculties or any
179 combination of these substances. [Only used in 11-512 & various 11-9xx sections (DUI
180 Article).]

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182 ~~§1-130~~ — ~~Essential Parts~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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184 ~~§1-131~~ — ~~Established place of business~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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186 ~~§1-132~~ — ~~Explosives~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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188 ~~§1-133~~ — ~~Farm tractor~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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190 ~~§1-134~~ — ~~Flammable liquid~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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192 ~~§1-135~~ — ~~Foreign vehicle~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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194 20. **Flagger** - a person who actively controls the flow of vehicular traffic into and/or
195 through a temporary traffic control zone using hand-signaling devices or an Automated Flagger
196 Assistance Device (AFAD). [This is not included in the 2000 UVC definitions. This definition is
197 per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged from the 2009 MUTCD. This term is
198 used in the Rules of the Road.]

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200 21. **Grade Crossing**- the general area where a highway and a railroad and/or light rail
201 transit route cross at the same level, within which are included the tracks, highway, and traffic
202 control devices for traffic traversing that area. [This is not included in the 2000 UVC definitions.
203 This definition is per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged from the 2009
204 MUTCD. This term is used in the Rules of the Road.]

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206 ~~§1-136~~22. **Gross weight** – The weight of a vehicle without load plus the weight of any load
207 thereon.

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209 ~~§1-137~~ — ~~Hazardous material~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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211 ~~§1-138~~23. **Highway** - ~~The entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly~~
212 ~~maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purpose of vehicular travel.~~
213 a general term for denoting a public way for purposes of vehicular travel, including the entire
214 area within the right-of-way. [The edits shown to the existing UVC definition are per the NC
215 docket response. This definition is unchanged from the 2009 MUTCD.]

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217 ~~§1-139~~24. **House trailer** –
218 (a) A trailer or semitrailer which is designed, constructed and equipped as a dwelling place,
219 living abode or sleeping (either permanently or temporarily) and is equipped for use as a
220 conveyance on streets and highways, or

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222 (b) A trailer or a semitrailer whose chassis and exterior shell is designed and constructed for use
223 as a house trailer, as defined in paragraph (a), but which is used instead permanently or
224 temporarily for the advertising, sales, display or promotion of merchandise or services, or
225 for any other commercial purpose except the transportation of property for hire or the
226 transportation of property for distribution by a private carrier.

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228 **§1-14025. Human-powered vehicle** - Every vehicle designed to be moved solely by human
229 power.

230 ~~§1-141 — Identifying number~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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232 ~~§1-142 — Implement of husbandry~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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234 ~~§1-143 — Imprisonment~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in 11-9xx (DUI
235 Article) and 11-15xx (Victims of a Traffic Related Offenses Article) sections.]

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238 ~~§1-144 — Incarceration~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in one 11-9xx
239 section (DUI Article).]

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241 ~~§1-145 — Individual record~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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243 **§1-14626. Intersection** -

244 (a) The area embraced within the prolongation or connection of the lateral curb lines, or, if
245 none, then the lateral boundary lines of the roadways of two highways which join one
246 another at, or approximately at, right angles, or the area within which vehicles traveling
247 upon different highways joining at any other angle may come into conflict.

248 (b) ~~Where a highway includes two roadways (30) feet or more apart, then every crossing of~~
249 ~~each roadway of such divided highway by an intersecting highway shall be regarded as a~~
250 ~~separate intersection. In the event such intersecting highway also includes two roadways~~
251 ~~(30) feet or more apart, then every crossing of two roadways of such highways shall be~~
252 ~~regarded as a separate intersection. The junction of an alley, driveway, or side roadway with~~
253 ~~a public roadway or highway shall not constitute an intersection, unless the public roadway~~
254 ~~or highway at said junction is controlled by a traffic control device.~~

255 (c) ~~The junction of an alley with a street or highway shall not constitute an intersection. If a~~
256 ~~highway includes two roadways, separated by a median, then every crossing of each~~
257 ~~roadway of such divided highway by an intersecting highway shall be a separate intersection~~
258 ~~if the opposing left-turn paths cross and there is sufficient interior storage for the design~~
259 ~~vehicle.~~

260 (d) At a location controlled by a traffic control signal, regardless of the distance between the
261 separate intersections as defined in (c) above:

262 (1) If a stop line, yield line, or crosswalk has not been designated on the roadway (within
263 the median) between the separate intersections, the two intersections and the roadway
264 (median) between them shall be considered as one intersection;

265 (2) Where a stop line, yield line, or crosswalk is designated on the roadway on the
266 intersection approach, the area within the crosswalk and/or beyond the designated stop
267 line or yield line shall be part of the intersection; and

268 (3) Where a crosswalk is designated on a roadway on the departure from the intersection,
269 the intersection shall include the area extending to the far side of such crosswalk.

270 [The edits shown to the existing UVC definition are per the NC docket response. This definition
271 is unchanged from the NPA but the NPA does contain revisions to the definition in the 2009
272 MUTCD.]

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274 **§1-1427.** **Laned roadway** - A roadway which is divided into two or more clearly marked
275 lanes for vehicular traffic.

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277 ~~**§148.**~~ ~~**License or License to operate a motor vehicle**~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the
278 Road. Only used in various 11-9xx sections (DUI Article).]

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280 ~~**§1-149**~~ ~~**Lienholder**~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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282 **§1-15028.** **Local authorities** – Every county, municipal and other local board or body having
283 authority to enact laws relating to the traffic under the constitution and laws of this State.

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285 ~~**§1-151**~~ ~~**Mail**~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in Section 11-1608 (Safe
286 Streets Act article). Note: The section number is listed as 11-608 in the published UVC but
287 should be 11-1608.]

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289 ~~**§1-152**~~ ~~**Manufacturer**~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in Section 11-1602
290 (Safe Streets Act article.)]

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292 ~~**§1-153**~~ ~~**Metal tires**~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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294 **§1-15429.** **Moped** – A motor-driven cycle with a motor which produces not to exceed two-
295 brake horsepower and which is not capable of propelling the vehicle at a speed in excess of 30
296 mph on level ground. If an internal combustion engine is used, the displacement shall not exceed
297 50 cubic centimeters, and the moped shall have a power drive system that functions directly or
298 automatically without clutching or shifting by the operator after the drive system is engaged.

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300 ~~**§1-155**~~ ~~**Motor home**~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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302 **§1-15630.** **Motor vehicle** - Every vehicle which is self-propelled, and every vehicle which is
303 propelled by electric power ~~obtained from overhead trolley wires~~ but not operated upon rails,
304 except vehicles moved solely by human power and motorized wheelchairs. [This definition is not
305 included in the NC docket response, the NPA, or Section 1A.13 of the 2009 MUTCD.]

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307 **§1-15831.** **Motor-Driven Cycle**- Every motorcycle, motor scooter or motorized bicycle
308 having an engine with less than 150 cubic centimeters displacement or with five brake
309 horsepower or less.

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311 **§1-15732.** **Motorcycle** - Every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider
312 and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground but excluding a
313 tractor.

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315 ~~§1-159~~33. **Motorized wheelchair** - Any self-propelled vehicle designed for, and used by, a
316 person with disabilities that is incapable of a speed in excess of eight miles per hour.

317 ~~§1-160~~ — ~~Nonresident~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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319 ~~§1-161~~ — ~~Nonresident's operating privilege~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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321 ~~§1-162~~ — ~~Odometer~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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323 ~~§1-163~~34. **Official traffic-control device** - ~~All signs, signals, markings and devices not~~
324 ~~inconsistent with this code placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having~~
325 ~~jurisdiction, for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic.~~ all signs, signals, markings,
326 channelization devices, or other devices that use colors, shapes, symbols, words, sounds, and/or
327 tactile information for the primary purpose of communicating a regulatory, warning, or guidance
328 message to road users on a street, highway, pedestrian facility, bikeway, pathway, or site
329 roadway open to public travel. [The edits shown to the existing UVC definition are per the NC
330 docket response for “traffic control device”. What is shown is unchanged from the NPA.
331 However, there were additional sentences (not shown above) in the NPA that the NC docket
332 response recommended including in a different MUTCD section rather than within the definition
333 as they are descriptive but not definitive in nature. The NPA text does contain revisions to the
334 definition in the 2009 MUTCD.]

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336 ~~§1-164~~ — ~~Open alcoholic beverage container~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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338 ~~§1-165~~35. **Park or parking** - The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise
339 than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading property
340 or passengers.

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342 ~~§1-166~~ — ~~Passenger area~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in Section 11-901
343 (DUI Article).]

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345 ~~§1-167~~ — ~~Passenger ear~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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347 ~~§1-168~~36. **Pedestrian** – ~~Any person afoot.~~ A person on foot, in a wheelchair, on skates, or
348 on a skateboard. [Council approved June 2012, 12A-UVC-01 (item # on NCUTCD website). The
349 prior NC action revised the UVC definition to match the 2009 MUTCD. That definition is also
350 included in the NPA and the NC docket response.]

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352 ~~§1-169~~37. **Person** – Every natural person, firm, co-partnership, association or corporation.

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354 ~~§1-170~~ — ~~Person with disabilities~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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356 ~~§1-171~~ — ~~Personal identification card~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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358 ~~§1-172~~ — ~~Personal information~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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~~§1-173 — Pneumatic tire~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

~~§1-174 — Pole trailer~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

§1-17538. **Police officer** - Every officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests or issue citations for violations of traffic laws or ordinances.

~~§1-176 — Preliminary alcohol screening test~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in various 11-9xx sections (DUI Article).]

§1-17739. **Private road or driveway** - Every way or place in private ownership and used for vehicular travel by the owner and those having express or implied permission from the owner, but not by other persons.

§1-17840. **Railroad** – A carrier of persons or property upon cars (other than streetcars), operating upon stationary rails.

§1-17941. **Railroad sign or signal** - Any sign, signal or device erected by authority of a public body or official or by a railroad and intended to give notice of the presence of railroad tracks or the approach of a railroad train.

§1-18042. **Railroad train** – A steam engine, electric or other motor, with or without cars. [The above is the current UVC definition of “railroad train”. Following is the 2009 MUTCD and NPA definition of “train”. Are these two terms intended to mean the same thing?]

Train—one or more locomotives coupled, with or without cars, that operates on rails or tracks and to which all other traffic must yield the right-of-way by law at highway-rail grade crossings.

~~§1-181 — Reconstructed vehicle~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

~~§1-182 — Registration~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

§1-18343. **Residence district** - The territory contiguous to and including a highway not comprising a business district when the property on such highway for a distance of 300 feet or more is in the main improved with residences, or residences and buildings in use for business.

~~§1-184 — Revocation of driver’s license~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in various 11-9xx sections (DUI Article) and 11-16xx sections (Safe Streets Act article).]

§1-18544. **Right of way** [Assignment]- ~~The right of one vehicle or pedestrian to proceed in a lawful manner in preference to another vehicle or pedestrian approaching under such circumstances of direction, speed and proximity as to give rise to danger of collision unless one grants precedence to the other.~~ the permitting of vehicles and/or pedestrians to proceed in a lawful manner in preference to other vehicles or pedestrians by the display of a sign or signal

404 indications. [The edits shown to the existing UVC definition are per the NC docket response.
405 This definition is unchanged from the 2009 MUTCD.]

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407 ~~§1-186~~45. **Roadway** - that portion of a highway improved, designed or ordinarily used for
408 vehicular travel, exclusive of the sidewalk, berm or shoulder even though such sidewalk, berm or
409 shoulder is used by persons riding bicycles or other human powered vehicles. In the event a
410 highway includes two or more separate roadways the term "roadway" as used herein shall refer
411 to any such roadway separately but not to all such roadways collectively.

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413 ~~§1-187~~ — ~~Safety Belt~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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415 ~~§1-188~~46. **Safety zone** - The area or space officially set apart within a roadway for the
416 exclusive use of pedestrians and which is protected or is so marked or indicated by official traffic
417 control devices as to be plainly visible at all times as set apart as a safety zone.

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419 ~~§1-189~~47. **School bus** - Every bus that is used to transport children to or from school or in
420 connection with school activities, but not including buses operated by common carriers in urban
421 transportation who incidentally accept school children as passengers.

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423 ~~§1-190~~ — ~~Security agreement~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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425 ~~§1-191~~ — ~~Security interest~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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427 ~~§1-192~~48. **Semitrailer** - Every vehicle with or without motive power, other than a pole trailer,
428 designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so
429 constructed that some part of its weight and that of its load rests upon or is carried by another
430 vehicle.

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432 49. **Shoulder** – a longitudinal area contiguous with the traveled way used for
433 accommodation of stopped vehicles for emergency use and for lateral support of base and
434 surface courses, and that is graded for emergency stopping. A shoulder might be paved or
435 unpaved. A paved shoulder might be open to travel by some vehicles, or by all vehicles at certain
436 times, and might also be used by pedestrians. [This definition is not included in the 2000 UVC
437 definitions. This definition is per the NC docket response and it does include edits to the text in
438 the NPA. Section 1A.13 of the 2009 MUTCD does not include a definition of “shoulder”. This
439 term is used in various Sections in the Rules of the Road.]

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441 ~~§1-193~~50. **Sidewalk** - That portion of a street between the curb lines, or the lateral lines of a
442 roadway, and the adjacent property lines, or on easements of private property that is paved or
443 improved and intended for use by pedestrians. [The edits shown to the existing UVC definition
444 are per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged from the 2009 MUTCD.]

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446 ~~§1-194~~ — ~~Solid rubber tire~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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448 ~~§1-195~~ — ~~Special mobile equipment~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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450 ~~§1-196~~ — ~~Specially constructed vehicles~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]
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452 ~~§1-197~~51. **Stand or standing** - The halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise
453 than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging
454 passengers.
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456 ~~§1-198~~52. **State** - A state, territory or possession of the United States, the District of
457 Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or a province of Canada.
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459 ~~§1-199~~53. **Stop** - When required means complete cessation from movement.
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461 ~~§1-200~~54. **Stop or stopping** - When prohibited means any halting even momentarily of a
462 vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in
463 compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic-control device.
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465 ~~§1-201~~55. **Street** - see Highway. ~~The entire width between boundary lines of every way~~
466 ~~publicly maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of~~
467 ~~vehicular travel.~~ [The definition of “highway” and “street” are separate and identical in the 2000
468 UVC. It is proposed to delete the definition text from “highway” and refer the user to the
469 definition of “highway” as is done in the MUTCD. The 2000 UVC definition of “highway” (and
470 therefore of “street” also) is shown to be modified per the NC docket response. This docket
471 response definition is unchanged from the 2009 MUTCD.]
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473 ~~§1-202~~56. **Streetcar** - A car other than a railroad train for transporting persons or property and
474 operated upon rails principally within a municipality.
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476 ~~§1-203~~ — ~~Suspension of driver’s license~~ [Not applicable to Rules of the Road. Only used in
477 various 11-9xx sections (DUI Article) and 11-16xx sections (Safe Streets Act article).]
478
479 ~~§1-204~~ — ~~Tank vehicle~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]
480
481 ~~§1-205~~57. **Through highway** - Every highway or portion thereof on which vehicular traffic is
482 given preferential right of way, and at the entrances to which vehicular traffic from intersecting
483 highways is required by law to yield the right of way to vehicles on such through highway in
484 obedience to a stop sign, yield sign, or other official traffic-control device, when such signs or
485 devices are erected as provided in this code.
486
487 ~~§1-206~~ — ~~Trackless trolley coach~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]
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489 ~~§1-207~~58. **Traffic** - Pedestrians, bicyclists, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, streetcars and
490 other conveyances either singly or together while using such highway for purpose of travel on
491 any highway or site roadway open to public travel. [The edits shown to the existing UVC
492 definition are per the NC docket response. This definition is unchanged from the NPA but the
493 NPA does contain revisions to the definition in the 2009 MUTCD.]
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495 ~~§1-208~~59. **Traffic control signal (traffic signal)** - ~~Any device, whether manually, electrically~~
496 ~~or mechanically operated, by which traffic is alternately~~ a highway traffic signal placed at
497 intersections, movable bridges, fire stations, midblock crosswalks, alternating one-way
498 section of a single lane road, private driveways, or other locations that require conflicting
499 traffic to be directed to stop and permitted to proceed in an orderly manner.

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501 ~~§1-209~~60. **Trailer** - Every vehicle with or without motive power, other than a pole trailer,
502 designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so
503 constructed that no part of its weight rests upon the towing vehicle.

504
505 ~~§1-210~~ ~~Transporter~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

506
507 ~~§1-211~~61. **Truck** - Every motor vehicle designed, used or maintained primarily for the
508 transportation of property.

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510 ~~§1-212~~ ~~Truck camper~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

511
512 ~~§1-213~~ ~~Truck tractor~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

513
514 ~~§1-214~~62. **Urban district** - The territory contiguous to and including any street which is built
515 up with structures devoted to business, industry or dwelling houses situated at intervals of less
516 than 100 feet for a distance of a quarter of a mile or more.

517
518 ~~§1-215~~63. **Vehicle** - Every device in, upon or by which any person or property ~~is or may~~ can
519 be transported or drawn upon a highway, ~~excepting devices used exclusively upon stationary~~
520 ~~rails or tracks.~~ Except trains and light rail transit operating in exclusive or semi-exclusive
521 alignments. [The edits shown to the existing UVC definition are per the NC docket response.
522 This definition is unchanged from the 2009 MUTCD.]

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524 ~~§1-216~~ ~~Vehicle identification number~~ [Not used in Rules of the Road.]

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