

Chapter 20

RAILROADS

Sec. 20-1. Obstructing streets over five minutes prohibited.

Every railroad company upon stopping any train at a place where such railroad is crossed by a street in the city shall so uncouple the cars as not to obstruct travel thereon for a longer period than five minutes. (Ord. 458, sec. 1, 8-18-17)

Sec. 20-2. New Orleans and Northeastern Railroad required to pave right-of-way.

A. It shall be the duty of the New Orleans and Northeastern Railroad Co., to lay and maintain a pavement between its tracks, the full width of the street as now paved, where Main Street crosses the right-of-way of the railroad company in the city.

B. The pavement shall be made of the same material as the pavement of Main Street, where it approaches the railroad track on each side thereof, and the pavement shall be constructed according to specifications for the pavement of Main Street, adopted by the governing authorities.

C. A violation of this section shall subject the railroad company upon conviction to a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned for not more than ninety (90) days, or both for each offense, in the discretion of the court and each day's failure to construct said pavement within the time and in the manner herein required shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 391, secs. 1, 2 and 4, 11-14-12)

Sec. 20-3. Railroad premises to be maintained free of weeds and debris.

A. All railroad companies owning or using depot grounds, and other grounds, or rights-of-way of railroad in the city shall at all times keep the same well drained and free from weeds, trash, or rubbish of all kinds.

B. A violation of this section shall subject the offender to a fine of not less than one dollar or more than one hundred dollars, and the proceeding to enforce this section shall be as far as applicable in accordance with sections 1438, 1439, 1440, 1441, Chapter 29, of the Mississippi, Code of 1906, Annotated as amended, and said sections are hereby expressly adopted as a part of this section as far as applicable. (Ord. 356, secs. 1--2, 7-8-10)

Cross reference.--For provision pertaining to garbage and trash, weeds etc. regulations, see Ch. 11.

Sec. 20-4. Signal lights to be maintained at street crossings.

All railroads entering into, or passing through the city shall erect and maintain sufficient light or lights at all the public street crossings in the city where such railroad or roads, shall cross any of the public streets that are now opened and used for public travel, and all such that may hereafter be opened and used by the public for travel, such lights to be located in such manner, and to be of sufficient power and brilliancy to properly and sufficiently light the streets at such crossing for public travel.

Any railroad or railroads, who shall fail or refuse to comply with the provisions of this section shall upon conviction be fined in a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned for not more than ninety (90) days, or both for each offense, in the discretion of the court. (Ord. 300, secs. 1--2, 12-17-07)

Sec. 20-5. Crossing maintenance.

A. All railroads operating in or through the city shall keep its street crossings in good order and shall maintain the same in good condition, safe and convenient for travel and shall so construct and maintain the crossings as to do the least possible damage to cars and other vehicles and pedestrians using them.

B. Any railroad company failing to comply with paragraph (A) hereof shall upon conviction be fined in a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned for not more than ninety (90) days, or both for each offense, in the discretion of the court, and each twenty-four hours the crossings are allowed to remain out of repair shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 1022, secs. 1--2, 11-27-45)