

## Chapter 4

### Turn Prohibitions

#### 4.1 *No Right Turn*

Ordinance Type Number:	19
Ordinance Type Status:	Active
NCGS Authority:	<a href="#">§136-18 (5)</a>
NCAC Authority:	None
TEPPL Reference:	None
Ordinance Required:	Yes
Overlap Conflict with Ordinance Types:	None
Investigation Required by Statute and/or Code:	No
Signing/Marking Required by Statute/Code:	No
Additional Information/Justification Required:	Yes

#### Guidance:

Specific vehicle types (such as trucks, buses, or heavy vehicles) may be singled out for right turn prohibitions.

Specific conditions (such as time of day, day of week, etc.) may also be singled out for right turn prohibitions.

Justification shall be provided indicating where vehicles will go if the movement is prohibited and what impacts will occur on the roadway network as a whole.

#### Examples:

From SR 3324 (Main Street) into Business Name's driveway, located 200 feet south of Turner Road.

From northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto eastbound NC 82 (Independence Street).

From northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto eastbound NC 82 (Independence Street) – trucks only.

## 4.2 *No Right Turn on Red*

Ordinance Type Number:	4
Ordinance Type Status:	Active
NCGS Authority:	<a href="#">§20-158(b)(2)</a>
NCAC Authority:	None
TEPPL Reference:	None
Ordinance Required:	Yes (see “Guidance”)
Overlap Conflict with Ordinance Types:	None
Investigation Required by Statute and/or Code:	No
Signing/Marking Required by Statute/Code:	Yes
Additional Information/Justification Required:	No

### Guidance:

Per General Statutes, the only requirement necessary to prohibit a right turn on red after stopping movement is the posting of a sign. However, the State Traffic Engineer requires a “No Right Turn on Red” ordinance for inventory purposes.

No vehicle shall make a right turn at a “red circular light” if the movement is prohibited by an appropriate sign ([§20-158, b, 2a](#)).

Specific vehicle types (such as trucks, buses, or heavy vehicles) may be singled out for right turn on red prohibitions.

Specific conditions (such as time of day, day of week, etc.) may also be singled out for right turn on red prohibitions.

For locations with multiple right turn lanes, individual lanes may be singled out for right turn on red prohibitions.

### Examples:

From northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto eastbound NC 82 (Independence Street).

From northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto eastbound NC 82 (Independence Street) – trucks only.

From northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto eastbound NC 82 (Independence Street) between 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., weekdays only.

From the leftmost right turn lane from northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto eastbound NC 82 (Independence Street).

### 4.3 *No Left Turn*

Ordinance Type Number:	18
Ordinance Type Status:	Active
NCGS Authority:	<a href="#">§136-18 (5)</a>
NCAC Authority:	None
TEPPL Reference:	None
Ordinance Required:	Sometimes (see “Guidance”)
Overlap Conflict with Ordinance Types:	None
Investigation Required by Statute and/or Code:	No
Signing/Marking Required by Statute/Code:	No
Additional Information/Justification Required:	Yes

#### Guidance:

For controlled access highways, left turns are prohibited except where an opening is provided “for that purpose” ([§20-140.3, 1, 2](#) and [§136-89.58, 1, 2](#)). Therefore, no ordinance is required to post signs and prohibit left turns on controlled access highways.

For locations on non-controlled access facilities, no ordinance is required to post signs and prohibit left turns if pavement markings or islands are used to prohibit the movement in accordance with the MUTCD. Otherwise, ordinances are required.

Specific vehicle types (such as trucks, buses, or heavy vehicles) may be singled out for left turn prohibitions.

Specific conditions (such as time of day, day of week, etc.) may also be singled out for left turn prohibitions.

Segments of road may be specified for no left turn prohibitions.

Justification shall be provided indicating where vehicles will go if the movement is prohibited and what impacts will occur on the roadway network as a whole.

#### Examples:

From Business Name’s driveway, located 200 feet south of Turner Road, onto SR 3324 (Main Street).

From northbound SR 1142 (Jones Parkway) onto westbound Mitchell Street at the crossover located 250 feet south of US 70.

From northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto westbound NC 82 (Independence Street) between 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., weekdays only.

From eastbound NC 50 (Catholic Street) onto northbound South Street at the crossover located 120 feet south of SR 2263 (Hammond Road) – trucks only.

Between NC 41 (Goodman Street) and NC 82 (Independence Street).

#### **4.4 No U-Turn**

Ordinance Type Number:	20
Ordinance Type Status:	Active
NCGS Authority:	<a href="#">§136-18 (5)</a>
NCAC Authority:	None
TEPPL Reference:	None
Ordinance Required:	Sometimes (see “Guidance”)
Overlap Conflict with Ordinance Types:	None
Investigation Required by Statute and/or Code:	No
Signing/Marking Required by Statute/Code:	No
Additional Information/Justification Required:	Yes

##### Guidance:

For controlled access highways, U-turns are prohibited except where an opening is provided “for that purpose” ([§20-140.3, 1, 2](#) and [§136-89.58, 1, 2](#)). Therefore, no ordinance is required to post signs and prohibit U-turns on controlled access highways.

For locations on non-controlled access facilities, no ordinance is required to post signs and prohibit U-turns if pavement markings or islands are used to prohibit the movement in accordance with the MUTCD. Otherwise, ordinances are required.

Specific vehicle types (such as trucks, buses, or heavy vehicles) may be singled out for U-turn prohibitions.

Specific conditions (such as time of day, day of week, etc.) may also be singled out for U-turn prohibitions.

Segments of road may be specified for U-turn prohibitions.

Justification shall be provided indicating where vehicles will go if the movement is prohibited and what impacts will occur on the roadway network as a whole.

Examples:

From northbound SR 1142 (Jones Parkway) onto southbound SR 1142 (Jones Parkway) at the crossover located 250 feet south of US 70.

From southbound or northbound SR 1142 (Jones Parkway) at the crossover located 250 feet south of US 70.

From northbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) onto southbound NC 41 (Goodman Street) between 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., weekdays only.

From westbound NC 50 (Catholic Street) onto eastbound NC 50 (Catholic Street) at the crossover located 120 feet south of SR 2263 (Hammond Road) – trucks only.

Between NC 41 (Goodman Street) and NC 82 (Independence Street).