

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN

H.P. 161 - L.D. 198

An Act To Require That Nonmotorized Carriages Be Equipped with Reflective Tape and Lights**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1907, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4. Exceptions. This section does not apply to animal-drawn vehicles or unregistered farm tractors.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1909-C is enacted to read:

§1909-C. Animal-drawn vehicles

An animal-drawn vehicle operated on a public way during nighttime must be equipped with the following:

1. Light. An oil lantern or electric lights attached to the left side of the vehicle that displays a red light toward the rear of the vehicle and a white light toward the front of the vehicle; and

2. Reflective tape. Grade DOT-C2 white reflective tape as described in 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 571.108, in effect on March 26, 2019, applied to the vehicle as follows:

A. Seventy-two inches of reflective tape applied in segments that outline the rear frame of the vehicle;

B. Thirty-six inches of reflective tape on each side of the vehicle, applied in segments that outline the frame on each side with at least 2 segments applied to the upper borders; and

C. Forty-two inches of reflective tape applied in segments that outline the front frame of the vehicle.