

2023 Kansas Statutes

8-1350. Same; right-of-way at intersections; funeral escort rights and duties; exceptions. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of state law, city ordinance or county resolution relating to traffic control devices or right-of-way provisions, pedestrians and operators of all vehicles, except as provided in subsection (b), funeral escorts may reasonably direct vehicle and pedestrian traffic to allow funeral processions to pass through intersections and disregard traffic control devices. When the funeral lead vehicle is directed by a funeral escort to lawfully enter an intersection, the remaining vehicles in the funeral procession may follow such funeral lead vehicle through the intersection regardless of any traffic control devices or right-of-way provisions prescribed by state law, city ordinance or county resolution.

(b) Funeral processions shall have the right-of-way at intersections regardless of traffic control devices, subject to the following conditions and exceptions:

- (1) Operators of vehicles in a funeral procession shall yield the right-of-way to an approaching authorized emergency vehicle, as defined in K.S.A. 8-1404, and amendments thereto, using an audible signal meeting the requirements of K.S.A. 8-1738, and amendments thereto, or a visual signal meeting the requirements of K.S.A. 8-1720, and amendments thereto;
- (2) operators of vehicles in a funeral procession shall yield the right-of-way when directed by a police officer;
- (3) operators of vehicles in a funeral procession shall exercise due care when participating in a funeral procession and avoid colliding with any other vehicle or pedestrian in accordance with K.S.A. 8-1535, and amendments thereto; and
- (4) an operator of a vehicle in a funeral procession shall not have the right-of-way at an intersection, if the vehicle is more than 300 feet behind the immediately preceding vehicle in the funeral procession.

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