

**CHAPTER 173a. FLASHING OR REVOLVING LIGHTS ON
EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZED VEHICLES—
STATEMENT OF POLICY**

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Authority

The provisions of this Chapter 173a issued under the Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S. §§ 6102 and 6103, unless otherwise noted.

Source

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§ 173a.1. Purpose.

This chapter sets forth the Department's interpretation of Chapter 173 (relating to flashing or revolving lights on emergency and authorized vehicles).

§ 173a.2. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

Flashing light—The term as defined in § 173.2 (relating to definitions).

Revolving light—The term as defined in § 173.2.

§ 173a.3. Interpretation.

In addition to the locations in § 173.3(e)(1) (relating to display requirements), flashing or revolving lights may be permanently mounted in a workmanlike manner in fire department vehicles and privately owned vehicles used in answering an emergency call when used by a fire chief, assistant chief and, when a fire company has three or more fire vehicles, a second or third assistant chief, in either of the following locations:

- (i) Inside the passenger compartment, clearly visible through the front windshield. (See original equipment manufacturer for mounting locations.)
- (ii) Inside the passenger compartment, clearly visible through the rear window.

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