# TRAFFIC ORDINANCE TOWN OF HALIFAX, VERMONT

Pursuant to the provisions of title 23, Vermont Statutes annotated, Sections 1007 and 1008, and Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated Sections 1971 and 2291 (1)(4) and (5), and such other general enactments as may be material hereto, it is hereby ordained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Halifax that the following Traffic Ordinance is adopted for the Town of Halifax, Vermont.

## ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- 1. The definitions of 23 V.S.A. section 4 are incorporated by reference.
- 2. "Intersection" means any street that joins another at an angle, whether or not it crosses the other.
- 3. "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" (MUTCD) for streets and highways means a publication of the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration setting forth standards for traffic control devices and which shall be the standards for all traffic control signs, signals and markings within the state, as set forth in Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1025.
- 4. "Official Traffic Control Device" means any traffic light, flashing beacon, sign, signal or marking placed or authorized by the Selectboard for the regulation of vehicular or pedestrian traffic or of parking and any sign, signal or marking placed by a police officer or other authorized person to designate temporary regulations.
- 5. "Parking" is the stopping or standing of a vehicle on a street, whether the vehicle is occupied or unoccupied.
- 6. "Police Officer" shall include sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, police officers, motor vehicle inspectors, state game wardens and state police.
- 7. "Vehicle" shall include all vehicles propelled or drawn by power other than muscular power. A vehicle includes, but is not limited to, pleasure cars, trucks, snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles.
- 8. "Caution sign" is any sign warning vehicle operators of additionally needed precautions.
- 9. "Board" is the Town of Halifax Selectboard.

# ARTICLE II SCOPE

The ordinance establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Halifax, Vermont.

#### ARTICLE III SPEED REGULATIONS

#### **GENERALLY:**

The Town of Halifax adopts the state regulated speed zones on State Highway Vermont Route 112 in the Town of Halifax, Vermont, Pursuant to Vermont Statutes Annotated Title 23, Section 1007(a)(2) to allow the Town of Halifax to collect a percentage of the fines collected by the State for speeding violations that occur on State Highway Vermont Route 112 in the Town of Halifax, Vermont from the Massachusetts State Line to the Whitingham, Vermont Town Line.

On the basis of engineering and traffic surveys, the following speed limits are hereby established.

Section 1 A maximum speed of 35 mph shall be posted on all town roads unless otherwise posted.

Section 2 A maximum speed of 35 mph shall be posted on the following roads:

Aldrich Road (TH#44) from the intersection of Fowler Road (TH#33) to the Whitingham Town Line.

<u>Amidon Road (TH#32)</u> from the intersection of Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2) to the Colrain, Massachusetts State Line.

Bellows Road (TH#19) from the intersection of Reed Hill Road (TH#18) to the end of Bellows Road (TH#19)

Bucklin Hill Road (TH#47) from the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01) .29 miles to the point where Bucklin Hill Road (TH#47) turns into a Legal Trail for .89 miles to the intersection of Thomas Hill Road (TH#12)

<u>Butterfield Road (TH#8)</u> from the intersection of Hatch School Road (TH#4) to the Marlboro Town Line.

<u>Cannon Road (TH#7)</u> from the intersection of Hanson Road (TH#5) to the end of Cannon Road (TH#7)

<u>Clark Road (TH#)</u> from the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01) turning into a Legal Trail to the intersection with Thomas Hill Road (TH#12)

<u>Deer Park Road (TH#24)</u> from the intersection of Old County Road (TH#24-16) to the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01)

Ellingwood Road (TH#51) from the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01) to the end of Ellingwood Road (TH#51)

<u>Fowler Road (TH#33)</u> from the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112) 1.04 miles to the point at which Fowler Road (TH#33) becomes a Legal Trail, then .9 miles to the intersection of McMillan Road (TH#34)

<u>Franklin Hill Road (TH#41)</u> .29 of a mile to the intersection of Colrain, Massachusetts State line.

Green River Road (TH#1-01) from the intersection of Brook Road (TH#1-02) and Hatch School Road (TH#4) to the Guilford Town Line.

<u>Hale Road (TH#13)</u> from the intersection of Guilford Town line to the intersection of the Marlboro Town Line

<u>Hall Road (TH#17)</u> from the intersection of Reed Hill Road (TH#18) to the intersection of Collins Road (TH#3)

<u>Hanson Road (TH#5)</u> from the intersection of Hatch School Road (TH#4) to the intersection of Collins Road (TH# 3)

<u>Hatch School Road (TH#4)</u> from the Whitingham Town Line to the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01) and Brook Road (TH#1-02)

<u>Houghton Road (TH#23)</u> from the intersection of Deer Park Road (TH#24) to the end of Houghton Road (TH#23)

<u>Hubbard Hill Road (TH#28)</u> from the intersection of Branch Road (TH#1-03) to the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112)

<u>Josh Road (TH#25)</u> from the intersection of Deer Park Road (TH#24) to the intersection of Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2)

<u>Karen Day Road (TH#60)</u> from the intersection of Larrabee Road (TH#27) to the end of Karen Day Road (TH#60)

<u>Larrabee Road (TH#27)</u> from the intersection of Reed Hill Road (TH#18) to the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112)

<u>Lucier Road (TH#11)</u> from the intersection of Thomas Hill Road (TH#12) to the Marlboro Town line.

McMillan Road (TH#34-35) from the Whitingham Town line to the Colraine, Massachusetts Town line.

Metcalf Road (TH#) from the intersection with Green River Road (TH# 1-01) to the end of Metcalf Road (TH#)

Moss Hollow (TH#9) from the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01) to the Marlboro Town Line.

Old County Road (TH#24-16) from the Halifax Center Intersection of Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2) and Stowe Mountain Road (TH#30) to the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01)

Old Green River Road (TH# ) from the intersection of Metcalf Road (TH# ) to the intersection with Clark Road (TH# )

Old Stage Road (TH#50) from the intersection of Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2) to the end of Old Stage Road (TH#50)

<u>Pennel Hill (TH#37-36)</u> from the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112) to the intersection of McMillan Road (TH#34-35)

<u>Phillips Hill Road (TH#37)</u> from the intersection of Pennel Hill (TH#37-36) to the Colraine, Massachusetts Town line.

<u>Pike Road (TH#58)</u> from the Whitingham Town Line to the Intersection of Hatch School Road (TH#4)

Sanders Road (TH#40) from the intersection of Stark Mountain Road (TH#39) .28 miles to the end of Sanders Road (TH#40)

Shearer Hill Road (TH#42) from the Marlboro Town Line to the Intersection of Hatch School Road (TH#4)

Smith Road (TH#26) from the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112) to the Whitingham Town Line

Stark Mountain Road (TH#39) from the intersection of Colrain, Massachusetts State Line to the intersection of Amidon Road (TH#32)

Stowe Mountain Road (TH#30) from the Halifax Center intersection of Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2) and Old County Road (TH#24-16) to the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112)

Thomas Hill Road (TH#12) from the intersection of Hale Road (TH#13) to the Intersection of Lucier Road (TH#11)

Thurber Road (TH#10) from the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01) .45 miles to the point where Thurber Road turns to a Legal Trail for .75 miles to the intersection with Green River Road (TH#1-01)

<u>Tucker Road (TH#22</u> from the intersection of Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2) to the intersection of Old County Road (TH#24-16)

Vaughn Road (TH#43) from the intersection of Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2)

1.18 miles to a point where Vaughn Road (TH#43) turns into a Legal Trail for

1.10 miles to the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112)

Wheeler Road (TH#54) from the intersection of Hanson Road (TH#5) to the end of Wheeler Road (TH#54)

Whitneyville Road (TH#21) from the intersection of Brook Road (TH#1-02) to 1.2 miles until the point at which Whitneyville Road (TH#21) turns into a trail for .1 miles to the intersection of Tucker Road (TH#22)

Winchester Road (TH#6) from the Marlboro Town Line to the intersection of Hatch School Road (TH#4)

Winn Road (TH#20) from the intersection of Reed Hill Road (TH#18) to the end of Winn Road (TH#20)

Woodard Hill Road (TH#29) from the intersection of Stowe Mountain Road (TH#30) .9 miles at which point Woodard Hill Road turns into a Legal Trail for .50 miles to the intersection with Branch Road (TH#1-03)

Section 3 Reduced speed limit of 25 mph shall be posted on the following roads within the Village District:

Collins Road (TH#3) from the intersection of Reed Hill Road (TH#18), Brook Road (TH#1-02) and Branch Road (TH#1-03) to 2 tenths of a mile up Collins Road (TH#3) shall be posted at 25 mph. From 2 tenths of a mile to the Whitingham Town Line shall be posted at 35 mph.

Brook Road (TH#1-02) from the intersection of Collins Road (TH#3), Reed Hill Road (TH#18) and Branch Road (TH#1-03) to 4 tenths of a mile up Brook Road (TH#1-02) shall be posted at 25 mph. From 4 tenths of a mile up Brook Road (TH#1-02) to the intersection of Green River Road (TH#1-01) shall be posted at 35 mph.

Reed Hill Road (TH#18) from the intersection of Collins Road (TH#3), Branch Road (TH#1-03) and Brook Road (TH#1-02) to 4 tenths of a mile up Reed Hill Road (TH#18) to the intersection of Sprague Road (TH#46) shall be posted at 25 mph. From 4 tenths of a mile to the Whitingham Town Line shall be posted at 35 mph.

Branch Road (TH#1-03) from the intersection of Vermont Route 112 (SR#112) shall be posted 35 mph for 1.8 miles then reduced speed posting to 25 mph to the intersection of Collins Road (TH#3), Brook Road (TH#1-02) and Reed Hill Road (TH#18)

<u>Jacksonville Stage Road (TH#2)</u> from the intersection of Branch Road (TH#1-03) shall be posted 25 mph for 1 tenth of a mile then 35 mph to the Guilford Town line.

## ARTICLE IV OFFICIAL TRAFFIC SIGNS & STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

Section 1 Location of Traffic Control Signs

Traffic control signs shall be maintained at the following locations:

The following intersections shall be designated as "STOP" intersections and shall be so signed:

TH # 1-03 Branch Road entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 30 Stowe Mountain Road entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 29 Stark Mountain Road entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 36-37 Pennel Hill entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 28 Hubbard Hill entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 27 Larrabee Road entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 33 Fowler Road entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 26 Smith Road entering SR # 112 Vermont Route 112

TH # 26 Sprague Road entering TH # 1-03 Branch Road

TH # 5 Hanson Road entering TH # 3 Collins Road

TH # 1-02 Brook Road entering TH # 1-03 Branch Road

TH # 18 Reed Hill Road entering TH # 1-03 Branch Road

TH # 5 Hanson Road entering TH # 4 Hatch School Road

TH # 42 Shearer Hill Road entering TH # 4 Hatch School Road

TH # 58 Pike Road entering TH # 4 Hatch School Road

TH # 8 Butterfield entering TH # 4 Hatch School Road

TH # 9 Moss Hollow Road entering TH # 1-01 Green River Road

TH # 4 Hatch School Road entering TH # 1-01 Green River Road

TH # 24 Deer Park Road entering TH # 1-01 Green River Road

The following intersections shall be designated as "YIELD" intersections and shall be so signed:

TH # 28 Hubbard Hill Road entering TH # 1-03 Branch Road

TH # 2 Jacksonville Stage Road entering TH # 1-03 Branch Road

The following locations shall be designated with Legal Load Limit signs:

## ARTICLE V TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

- Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the direction of a traffic control device except in response of a law enforcement officer, flagman for highway construction, fire department or emergency personnel on duty.
- Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally remove, injure, obstruct, deface, alter or tamper with any traffic control device or road sign.
- Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to install any sign or device, which may resemble or be mistaken for an official traffic control device, without prior approval of the Town of Halifax, Board of Selectmen.

### ARTICLE VI PARKING REGULATIONS

See Parking Ordinance dated May 2, 2000 and signed by the Selectboard

### ARTICLE VII GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Separate Offenses

Every violation of a provision of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 2. Penalties

The provisions of this ordinance shall be cumulative to the fullest extent permitted by law with respect to all other statutes or ordinances now or hereafter adopted regardless of their order of passage or enactment.

Section 3. Severability

The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable, and if any provisions thereof be adjudged invalid, such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

Section 4. Designation

This ordinance is designated a civil ordinance under Title 24, VSA Section 1971(b). This ordinance may be referred to as the Halifax 2017 Traffic Ordinance and in a prosecution hereunder a copy of such ordinance, certified by the Town Clerk shall be prima facie evidence thereof. An allegation that the act constituting the offense charged is contrary to a specified provision of this ordinance shall be a sufficient reference hereto.

Section 5. Repeal of Prior Ordinance

Any other ordinance or traffic regulation heretofore adopted by the Town of Halifax is hereby repealed.

Section 6. Publication and Posting:

This ordinance shall be published in the Deerfield Valley News on December 14, 2017 and shall be filed with the Halifax Town Clerk on December 5, 2017.

Adopted by the Board of Selectmen, Town of Halifax at its meeting held on the 5th of December 2017.

**SELECTBOARD** 

Lewis Sumner, Chairman

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