

WENTWORTH TRAFFIC AND PARKING ORDINANCE OF 2000

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF WENTWORTH AS FOLLOWS:

TOWN OF WENTWORTH TRAFFIC AND PARKING ORDINANCE OF 2000, as adopted by the Town of Wentworth.

A. PREAMBLE

1. This Ordinance shall be captioned "Wentworth Traffic and Parking Ordinance of 2000" and shall take effect on its adoption by the Town.
2. In addition to any other remedy established by law, the Selectmen shall be authorized to enforce the provisions of this ordinance by any proceeding commenced in the Grafton County Superior Court or the Plymouth District Court, and shall be entitled to recover from any violator hereof all their costs, including attorney's fees, in connection with such enforcement, to the extent allowed by said Court,
3. If any word, term, phrase, sentence or clause of this ordinance is found to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or any other agency, such finding shall not effect the validity of any other word, term, phrase, sentence, or clause of this ordinance.

B. DEFINITIONS: Wherever in this ordinance the following terms are used, they have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section.

1. Street or Highway: Every way or place of whatever nature open to the use of the public as a matter or right, for the purpose of vehicular travel.
2. Roadway: That portion of a street or highway between the regularly established curb lines or that part improved and intended to be used for vehicular travel.
3. Sidewalk: That portion of a street between the curb lines and the adjacent property lines.
4. Crosswalk: That portion of a roadway ordinarily included within the prolongation or connection of curb and property lines at intersections, or any other portion of a roadway clearly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface or appropriate signs.

5. Vehicle: Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a public highway.
6. Public way or highway: The entire width between the boundary lines of any public highway, street avenue, road, alley, park or parkway, or any private way laid out under authority of statute, or any such way provided and maintained by a public institution to which state funds are appropriated for public use, or any such way which has been used for public travel thereon, other than to and from a toll bridge or ferry, for 20 years, or any public or private parking lot, which is maintained primarily for the benefit of paying customers,
7. Motor Vehicle- Every vehicle, as defined in RSA 259:60.
8. Pedestrian: Any person afoot.
9. Traffic: Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, and other conveyances either singly or together while using any street for purposes of travel.
10. Parking: The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, upon a roadway, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading, or in the obedience to traffic regulations or traffic signs or signals.
11. Official Traffic Signs: All signs, markings and devices, other than signals, not inconsistent with this ordinance, placed or erected by authority of a public body or Chief of Police, for the purpose of guiding, directing, warning or regulating traffic.
12. Police Officer: Every officer of the Town or any officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.

C. STOP INTERSECTIONS: At any intersection where an official stop sign has been erected, by the Town of Wentworth or State of New Hampshire all vehicles shall come to a complete stop and shall yield the right of way to other vehicles within the intersection or approaching so closely thereto as to constitute an immediate hazard

D. AUTHORITY OF POLICE.

1. Police to Direct Traffic: In the event of a fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, officers of the Police or Fire Departments may direct traffic as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of this ordinance.
2. Obedience to Police: It shall be unlawful for any person to refuse or fail to comply with any lawful order, signal or direction of a Police Officer or a firefighter at the scene of a fire.

3. The Police Department shall have the authority to tow any vehicle that they find in violation of this ordinance at the owner's expense.
4. The Police Department shall have the authority to place an immobilizing device upon a car found in violation of this ordinance and meeting the strict guidelines as set up in the Town of Wentworth Police Department's Rules and Regulations concerning auto-immobilizing devices.
5. It shall be the duty of the Wentworth Police Department or its designee to enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

E. TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS:

1. Obedience to Traffic Signs and Signals: It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle to disobey the instructions of any official traffic signs or signals placed in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer.
2. Interference with Signs & Signals Prohibited: It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully deface, injure, move, obstruct, or interfere with any official street name sign, traffic sign or signal.

F. STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING:

1. Stopping Prohibited in Specific Places: It shall be unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to stop, stand, or park such vehicle in any of the following places, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a Police Officer:
 - a. Within an intersection, or within fifteen (15) feet of an intersection, unless otherwise marked.
 - b. On a crosswalk.
 - c. Within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant.
 - d. In front of a driveway.
 - e. On a sidewalk.
 - f. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic.

- g. On the roadway, side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street.
- h. At any place where official traffic signs have been erected prohibiting standing, parking and/or loading or unloading.
- i. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to commercial vehicles loading or unloading. The Police Department shall have authority, if they deem it necessary, to permit commercial vehicles a period of twenty (20) minutes in which to load or unload whereby the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply.
- j. Park vehicles with right side wheels closest to the curb.
- k. Pursuant to RSA 265:70, there shall be no set back between parking Spaces and crosswalks. in the compact part of Town.

G. PARKING METERS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE THEREOF:

- 1. Any portion of the following described streets in the Town of Wentworth as the Selectmen may determine are hereby designated and established as parking meter zones,
 - a. None

NO PARKING AREAS

STREET

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WENTWORTH VILLAGE RD.

Area directly across from the Wentworth Fire Dept. Unless otherwise noted.

K. OVERNIGHT PARKING:

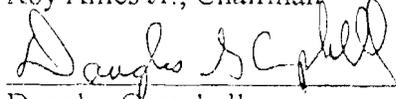
- 1. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on either side of any street or Municipal Parking lot in the Town of Wentworth between the hours of 12:00 Midnight and 6:00 AM, between November 1 and May 1 of any year.

L. SNOW REMOVAL:

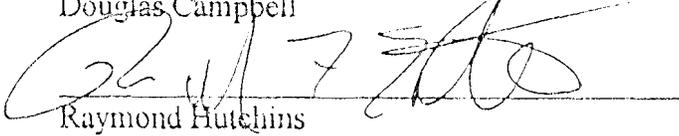
1. No person shall park any vehicle on a public way or sidewalk within the Town of Wentworth in such a way as to hinder the removal of snow from the streets of Wentworth by the Town of Wentworth, or the State of New Hampshire.

Passed and approved as written on November 14, 2000

Roy Ames Jr., Chairman



Douglas Campbell



Received and recorded on _____

TOWN OF WENTWORTH
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE
PO BOX 2 - Wentworth, NH 03282-0002
(603) 764-5244 Fax (603) 764-9362

November 16, 2000

TO: Chief Steven Calderwood
FROM: The Selectmen
SUBJECT: PARKING REGULATIONS

Dear Steve:

The Selectmen have reviewed and approved the proposed Parking Regulations as submitted.

This was done November 14, 2000 by a vote of The Board.

Regards,


Janet E. Woolner



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

December 1, 2000

LEON S. KENISON
COMMISSIONER

Ms Linda Brown
Wentworth Town Clerk
RR 1 Box 439
Rumney NH 03266

Dear Ms. Brown:

Re: Parking Regulation

Enclosed please find a Parking Regulation. This is forwarded to you to be filed in your records as Town Clerk.

Prior to installation of these signs, please contact us at the number listed below, as a representative from this Bureau must approve the locations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William R. Lambert".

William R. Lambert, P.E.
Administrator, Bureau of Traffic
Telephone: (603)271-2291

WRL:RDL:maw
Encl.

c.c. Steven Calderwood, Police Chief
Alan G. Hanscom, District Engineer

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

PARKING REGULATION

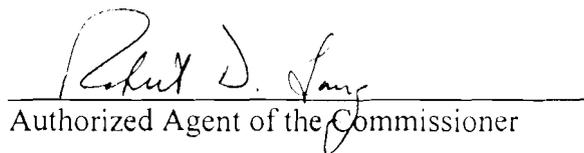
In accordance with RSA 265:71 and RSA 236:1 overnight parking on all highways maintained by the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation in the Town of Wentworth, New Hampshire is prohibited between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. between November 1 and May 1 of any year.

Given under my hand this 30th day of November, 2000
New Hampshire Department of Transportation



State Traffic Engineer
for Director of Operations

In accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 236:2 I have caused to be filed a copy thereof in the records of the New Hampshire Department of Transportation and with the Clerk of the Town of Wentworth, New Hampshire.



Authorized Agent of the Commissioner

Date Nov. 30, 2000