

Town of Hardwick, Vermont

Traffic Ordinance

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TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

TOWN OF HARDWICK, 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 Select Board of the Town of Hardwick that the following Traffic Ordinance is adopted for the Town of Hardwick, Vermont.

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

The definitions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 4 are incorporated by references.

ARTICLE II SCOPE

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

ARTICLE III TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Pursuant to Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Sections 1021, 1022, 1024, and 1025, the following applies:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the direction of a traffic control device, sign, or signal, except in direct response to the direction of a law enforcement officer or member of the Fire Department.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally remove, injure, obstruct, deface, alter or tamper with any traffic control device.

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 Select Board.

ARTICLE IV DESIGNATED "NO EXIT OR ONE-WAY" STREETS

Section 1. The following portions of streets are hereby designated as "no exit" streets, and it shall be unlawful to exit said streets at posted locations except in direct response to the direction of a law enforcement officer or member of the Fire Department.

Village Parking Lot: At the Main Street entrance, legal direction of travel shall be westerly allowing vehicles to only enter the lot at that location. It shall be unlawful to exit Daniels Road or the municipal parking lot west of the so called 'swinging bridge' onto Brush Street.

ARTICLE V
STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

Pursuant to Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1048, the following applies:

Section 1. Any operator of a vehicle approaching a stop intersection indicated by a stop sign or a flashing red signal shall stop before entering the intersection and yield to vehicles having the right of way, except in direct response to the direction of a law enforcement officer or member of the fire department.

Section 2. Any operator of a vehicle approaching a yield sign shall slow down to a reasonable speed before entering the intersection and shall stop when required to yield to vehicles having the right of way, except in direct response to the direction of a law enforcement officer or member of the fire department.

Section 3. Any intersection within the Town of Hardwick which is not posted is deemed a yield intersection.

ARTICLE VI
NO PASSING ZONES

It shall be unlawful to drive to the left of the center line in order to pass another vehicle on Town Highway # 3 (Center Road) between signs posted 1,054.6 feet south of the intersection with Hardwick Farms Road and Renaud Road and 2,381.1 feet north of said intersection.

ARTICLE VII
SPEED REGULATIONS

The purpose of this ordinance is to promote public health, safety, and welfare by establishing safe speed limits on certain paved and unpaved town highways in the Town of Hardwick.

Based on considerations of neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, and where applicable, on traffic and/or engineering studies, the following speed limits are hereby established:

A. Town Highways.

i. The following town highways shall have a speed limit of twenty-five (25) miles per hour:

T.H. # 2 Cedar Street:
From the junction of VT. Route 16 to the junction of T.H. #6 (Main Street)

T.H. # 2 East Church Street:
From the junction of T.H. #6 (Main Street) to the junction of T.H. #2 (Hardwick Street)

T.H. # 3 Church Street (H):
From the junction of T.H. #300 (North Main St.) until you reach T.H. #3 (Maple Street)

T.H. # 3 Maple Street:
From the junction of T.H. #3 (Church Street) until you reach T.H. #3 (Slapp Hill)

T.H. #6 Main Street (EH):
From the junction of VT. Route 16 to Brickhouse Road

T.H. #7 School Street:
From the junction of T.H. # 6 (Main Street) until you reach the junction of VT. Route 16

T.H. #28 Brickhouse Road: (1.65)
From the junction of T.H. # 6 (Main Street) until you reach junction T.H. # 28 (Hardwick Farms Rd.)

T.H. #46 Mackville Road: (0.52) Class 2
A maximum speed limit of 25 mph from the junction of VT. Route 14 for 1 mile. The speed limit changes at that point to 35 miles per hour until you reach the junction of T.H. #51 (Nichols Pond Road).

ii. The following town highways shall have a speed limit of thirty-five (35) miles per hour:

T.H. # 1 Belfry Road: (1.60) Class 2
From the junction of VT. Route 16 to the Walden Town Line

T.H. #3 Slapp Hill:
From the junction of T.H. #3 (Maple Street) until you reach T.H. #3 (Center Road)

T.H. #5 East Main Street (.23) & Main Street North (.06):
From the junction of VT Route 16 to the intersection of Main Street North and then Main Street North to Greensboro Town Line

T.H. #9 Cobb School Road: (1.15)
From the junction of T.H. # 10 (Bridgeman Hill Road) until you reach the junction of T.H. #3 (Center Road)

T.H. #10 Bridgman Hill Road: (4.61)
From the junction of T.H. # 300 (North Main Street) for the entire length

T.H. #11 Country Club Road: (0.19)
From the junction of T.H. # 2 (Hardwick Street) until you reach Greensboro Town Line

T.H. #12 Montgomery Road: (1.92)
From the junction of T.H. # 3 (Center Road) until you reach the junction of T.H. #28 (Hardwick Farms Road)

T.H. #14 Bayley Hazen Road: (1.41)
From the junction of T.H. # 14 (Hardwick Street) until you reach the junction of VT. Route 16

T.H. #18 Tucker Brook Road: (1.20)
From the junction of VT Route 14 until you reach the junction of T.H. # 20 (Wapanaki Road)

T.H. #20 West Hill Road: (2.55)
From the junction of VT Route 14 until you reach the junction of T.H. # 20 (Wapanaki Road)

T.H. #21 West Hill Road: (.30)
From the junction of T.H. #20 (Wapanaki Road) until you reach the Wolcott Town Line

T.H. #22 Bunker Hill Road: (2.30)
From the junction of VT. Route 15 until you reach T.H. #21 (West Hill)

T.H. #26 Renaud Road: (0.75)
From the junction of T.H. # 3 (Center Road) until you reach the junction of T.H. #10 (Bridgman Hill Road)

T.H. #28 Hardwick Farms Road: (1.65)
From the junction T.H. # 28 (Brickhouse Road) until you reach junction T.H. # 3 (Center Road.)

T.H. #29 Porter Brook Road: (1.50)
From the junction of T.H. # 3 (Center Road) until you reach the junction of T.H. #28 (Hardwick Farms Road)

T.H. #31 Pumpkin Lane: (1.10)
From the junction of VT. Route 16 until you reach the junction of T.H. #29 (Porter Brook Road)

T.H. #32 Ward Hill Road: (1.24)
From the junction of VT. Route 16 until you reach the junction of Walden Town Line

T.H. #33 Mountainview Road: (1.75)
From the junction of T.H. # 32 (Ward Hill Road) until you reach the junction of Walden Town line

T.H. #37 Marsh Road: (0.38)
From the junction of VT. Route 15 until you reach the Wolcott Town Line

T.H. #39 Kate Brook Road: (1.65) Class 2
From the junction of VT. Route 15 until you reach the W. Woodbury Town Line

T.H. #45 Dutton Road: (3.45) Class 2, 0.15 is Class 4
From the junction of T.H. #45 (Hopkins Hill) until you reach the junction of T.H. #51 (Nichols Pond Road)

T.H. #45 Hopkins Hill Road: (3.45) Class 2, 0.15 is Class 4
From the junction of T.H. # 332 (Glenside Ave.) until you reach the junction of T.H. #45 (Dutton Road), T.H. #54 (Brown Farm Road), and T.H.# 55 (Houston Hill Road)

T.H. #51 Nichols Pond Road: (1.37)
From the junction of T.H. #46 (Mackville Road) until you reach the town line of Woodbury

T.H. #51 Scott Road: (0.85)
From the junction of T.H. #46 (Mackville Road) until you reach the junction of T.H. #45 (Hopkins Hill Road)

T.H. #54 Brown Farm Road: (0.90)
From the junction of Route 15 until you reach the junction of T.H. #45 (Hopkins Hill Road)

T.H. #55 Houston Hill Road: (0.99)
From the junction of T.H. #45 (Hopkins Hill Road) until you reach the Walden Town line

T.H. #71 Dimick Road: (0.95)
From the junction of VT. Route 16 until you reach the Greensboro Town Line

iii. The following town highways shall have a speed limit of fifty (50) miles per hour:

T.H. # 2 Hardwick Street:
From the junction T.H. # 2 (East Church Street) until you reach the Greensboro Town Line

T.H. #3 Center Road:
From the junction of T.H. #3 (Slapp Hill) until you reach Greensboro Town Line

iv. The following town highways have not been posted, which means the no speed limit has been established by the Selectboard:

T.H. #4 Stannard Mountain Road:

T.H. #8 Smith Farm Road: (1.04)

T.H. #8 Morin Lane: (1.04)

T.H. #15 Canyon Drive:

T.H. #16 Tousant Hill Road (.05):

T.H. #17 School Circle: (0.08)

T.H. #18 Wapanaki Road: (0.40)

T.H. #20 Wapanaki Road: (0.35)

T.H. #23 Hunter Lane: (0.27)

T.H. #24 Billings Lane: (0.40)

T.H. #27 Shepard Farm Lane: (0.15)

T.H. #30 Riverside Farm Lane: (0.12)

T.H. #34	Daley Lane: (0.02) Class 4
T.H. #35	Donovan Lane: (0.15) Class 2
T.H. #36	Catamount Road: (0.08)
T.H. #42	McAllister Farm Road: (0.18)
T.H. #43	Wright Farm Road: (2.30)
T.H. #48	Carey Road: (.45)
T.H. #49	Stratton: (0.70)
T.H. #50	Atkins Lane (0.20)
T.H. #52	Lunderville Drive: (0.06)
T.H. #53	Fisher Folly Drive: (0.10)
T.H. #56	Graham Drive: (0.10) Class 4
T.H. #57	Dusty Swamp Drive: (0.06)
T.H. #59	Pleasant Street: (0.12)
T.H. #60	Bailey Farm Road: (0.07)
T.H. #61	Stevens Lane: (0.10)
T.H. #63	Stage House Road: (0.58) 0.47 is Class 4
T.H. #64	Town Farm Road: (1.25)
T.H. #65	Simpson Lane: (0.40)
T.H. #68	Putvain Place: (0.04)
T.H. #69	Dix Road: (0.14)
T.H. #70	Terra Planus Place: (0.24)
T.H. #73	Hartt Drive: (0.10)

Urban Compact

v. The following town highways within the urban compact shall have a speed limit of twenty-five (25) miles per hour:

T.H. #300 North Main Street: (0.31)
From the junction of South Main Street to Bridgman Hill Road

T.H. #302 Pearl Street: (0.04)

T.H. #304 Putnam Ave: (0.04)

T.H. #306 Hideaway Street: (0.20)

T.H. #308 Hudson Ave: (0.03)

T.H. #310 Brentwood Drive: (0.08)

T.H. #312 Horseback Lane: (0.04)

T.H. #314 Vermont Ave: (0.34)
From the junction of T.H. #3 (Slapp Hill) to the junction of T.H. #300 (North Main Street)

T.H. #316 Wakefield Street: (0.11)

T.H. #318 High Street: (0.19)

T.H. #322 Creamery Road: (0.21)

T.H. #324 Depot Street: (0.05)

T.H. #326 Caspian Ave: (0.18)

T.H. #330 Lamoille Ave: (0.21)

T.H. #332 Glenside Ave: (0.50)

T.H. #334 Sumner Street: (0.11)

T.H. #336 Holton Hill Road: (0.23)

T.H. #338 Perry Lane Hill: (0.12)

T.H. #340 The Lane: (0.06)

T.H. #342 Upper Cherry Street: (0.09)

T.H. #344 Alpine Heights: (0.08)

T.H. #346 Good Place: (0.05)

T.H. #350 Marshall Street: (0.16)

T.H. #351 Junction Road: (0.18)

T.H. #352 Buffalo Street: (0.08)

T.H. #354 Winter Street: (0.10)

T.H. #356 Jenne Road: (0.06)

T.H. #358 Kellogg Street: (0.19)

T.H. #360 Farr Street: (0.05)

T.H. #362 Summer Street: (0.09)

T.H. #364 Dewey Street: (0.07)

T.H. #365 Spring Street: (0.18)
From the junction of South Main Street to the junction of T.H. #378 (Granite Street)

T.H. #365 Granite Street: (0.03)
From the junction of Wolcott Street to the junction of T.H. #365 (Spring Street)

T.H. #366 Elm Street: (0.20) & (0.09)

T.H. #367 From the junction of Wolcott Street the entire length until the roadway ends

T.H. #368 Brook Street: (0.17)

T.H. #370 Dale Street: (0.09)

T.H. #372 Terrace Hill Road: (0.22)

T.H. #374 Cottage Street: (0.15)

T.H. #376 Granite Street: (0.16)
From the junction of Wolcott Street to the junction of T.H. #378 (Granite Street)

T.H. #378 Granite Street: (0.09)
From the junction of T.H. #376 (Granite Street) until the junction of T.H. #365 (Granite Street)

T.H. #380 Cherry Street: (0.25)
From the junction of South Main Street to the junction of T.H. #378 (Granite Street)

T.H. #382 Michaud Lane: (0.03)

T.H. #384 Bernard Smith Lane: (0.03)

- T.H. #386 Daniels Road: (0.17)
From the junction of T.H. #390 (Highland Ave) to the junction of T.H. #389 (Brush Street)
- T.H. #388 Riverside Terrace: (0.09)
- T.H. #389 Brush Street: (0.06)
- T.H. #390 Highland Ave: (0.05) & (0.18)
From the junction of T.H. # 300 (North Main Street) until you reach T.H. #392 (West Church Street)
- T.H. #392 West Church Street: (0.31)
From the junction of T.H. # 300 (North Main Street) until you reach Wolcott Street
- T.H. #393 Sawmill Lane: (0.03) Class 4
- T.H. #394 Union Street: (0.18)
From the junction of Wolcott Street until you reach the junction of T.H. # 396 (Woodbury Street)
- T.H. #396 Woodbury Street: (0.14)
- T.H. #398 Lower Prospect Street: (0.03) Class 4
- T.H. #398 Prospect Street: (0.06)
- T.H. #400 Hillside Street: (0.13)
- T.H. #402 Central Street: (0.15)
- T.H. #404 Park Street: (0.11)
- T.H. #406 Rochester Street: (0.10)
- T.H. #408 Gravel Street: (0.08)
- T.H. #410 Charlevoix Street: (0.13)
- T.H. #412 Richardson Road: (0.29)
- T.H. #414 Industrial Park Road: (0.11)
- T.H. #416 Treatment Plant Road: (0.07)

vi. The following town highways within the urban compact shall have a speed limit of thirty (30) miles per hours:

vii. The following town highways within the urban compact shall have a speed limit of thirty-five (35) miles per hour:

T.H. #300 Bridgman Hill Road: (0.23)

From the junction of T.H. # 10 (Bridgman Hill Road) for the entire length

B. The maximum speed limit permitted for any motor vehicle traffic on Route 14, Route 15 and Route 16 within the Town of Hardwick shall be the same as those limits established and posted by the State of Vermont, to wit:”

i. Vermont Route 14 (Craftsbury Road) proceeding north from the intersection of Vermont Route 15 (Wolcott Street) .21 miles the speed limit shall be 40 miles per hour. Proceeding north from that point 4.2 miles to the Greensboro Town line the speed limit shall be 50 miles per hour.

ii. Vermont Route 14 (South Main Street) proceeding south from the intersection of Wolcott Street .5 miles to the intersection of Buffalo Street the speed limit shall be 25 miles per hour. From Buffalo Street south .6 miles the speed limit shall be 40 miles per hour. From this point to the Woodbury Town line .3 miles the speed limit shall be 50 miles per hour.

iii. Vermont Route 15 proceeding west from the Walden Town line to the Inn by the River 3.4 miles the speed limit shall be 50 miles per hour. Proceeding west from the Inn by the River through Hardwick Village (Mill Street & South Main Street) to Wolcott Street the speed limit shall be 25 miles per hour. Proceeding west on Route 15 (Wolcott Street) from the intersection of South Main Street .3 miles the speed limit shall be 25 miles per hour. Proceeding west from that point .5 miles the speed limit shall be 30 miles per hour. Proceeding west from that point .5 miles to just past the Craftsbury Road intersection, the speed limit shall be 35 miles per hour. Proceeding west from that point to the Wolcott Town line 2.0 miles the speed limit shall be 50 miles per hour.

iv. Vermont Route 16 proceeding north from the intersection of Vermont Route 15 to the Greensboro Town line 4.4 miles, the speed limit shall be 50 miles per hour.

C. All 50 mile per hour speed zones (including state highways) within the town of Hardwick may be enforced under Title 23 VSA 1081 (local basic rules).

D. Posting. The above speed limits shall be posted in accordance with standards set forth in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

ARTICLE VIII PENALTIES

VIOLATIONS & PENALTIES. It shall be a violation of this ordinance for any person to operate a motor vehicle in excess of the above posted speed limits. The penalty for a violation of this ordinance is assessed according to the Judicial Bureau Waiver Penalty Schedule in effect at the time of violation.

ENFORCEMENT. The violation of this ordinance shall be a civil matter which may be enforced in the Vermont Judicial Bureau in accordance with the provisions of 24 V.S.A. §§ 1974a and 1977 et seq. and Rule 80.6 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure. For purposes of enforcement in the Judicial Bureau,

any Enforcement Officer shall have the authority to issue tickets and may be the appearing officer at any hearing.

This ordinance may be enforced by *any qualified law enforcement officers in the State of Vermont*.

Section 3. Any person who violates the provisions of Article V and Article VI are subject to penalties that pertain to Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1003, 1007 and 1081 (b) as set forth in the Vermont Uniform Violations and Offenses Waiver Schedule of Fines and Point Assessment Manual.

ARTICLE IX PARKING REGULATIONS

Section 1. The words "park" or "parking" shall mean the stopping of motor vehicles on a roadway, whether occupied or unoccupied, attended, or unattended, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of, and while engaged in, loading or unloading passengers or goods, or while making emergency repairs, if disabled, while arrangements are being made to move such vehicle.

Section 2. Providing for the use, regulations, and control of parking on any street or public highway within the Town of Hardwick, the following applies:

(a) No operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand, or park the vehicle in any of the following places except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in response to the direction of a law enforcement officer or official sign:

- (1) Within an intersection
- (2) On a crosswalk
- (3) Within six (6) feet of a fire hydrant
- (4) In such a manner blocking a private driveway
- (5) On any sidewalk
- (6) Abreast of another vehicle on any street
- (7) By the curb to the left of the vehicle
- (8) In a designated handicap parking space without a proper permit
- (9) In any designated "No Parking" zone

(b) No person shall put, place, or park any vehicle on any street or public right-of-way for the purpose of selling or renting the same, or for the purpose of displaying or advertising the same for sale or rent.

(c) Unless otherwise indicated, vehicles in the Town shall be parked parallel and close to the curb in the same direction as traffic, the full length of the vehicle; and, where parking spaces are marked off or painted on the pavement, no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand, or park such vehicle otherwise than wholly within the spaces so marked off or painted.

(d) During the period from the 15th day of November of each year to the fifteenth day of April of the following year, no person shall, between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., park any vehicle or permit any vehicle to remain parked on any public highway in the Town.

(e) It shall be illegal for an operator to drive a vehicle from the village parking lot onto South Main Street access point.

(e)--(h) Reserved

Section 2 (i) It shall be unlawful for a person:

(1) To park a vehicle for a period of more than twenty-four (24) consecutive hours on any street in the Town unless permission has been granted to that person by the Select Board.

(2), To park or stop a vehicle in a restricted zone, unless permission is granted to that person by the Select Board, except for the purpose of discharging or receiving a passenger, and then only if the zone is not occupied, or about to be occupied by a vehicle permitted by the Select Board to use the zone. If a vehicle approaches, the vehicle within the zone without permission shall immediately vacate the zone.

(3) To park a vehicle in or upon school grounds from 9:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. of the following day, unless permitted to do so by permission of the School Board or Town School District official.

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(4) To park, stop, or operate a vehicle on any real property under the jurisdiction of the Cemetery Trustees from one hour after sunset until one hour after sunrise of the following day, without permission of the Cemetery Trustees or a representative authorized by the Cemetery Trustees to give such permission. The permission shall be in writing, and when so parking or stopping, shall be exhibited to any law enforcement officer requesting to see it.

(5) To park a vehicle along or on a curb, which has been painted yellow by authority of the Select Board, unless permission to do so has been granted by the Select Board.

(6) To park a vehicle within the public right of way from which merchandise or service is sold or offered for sale, or displayed for sale or exhibition, without permission of the Select Board.

(7) To park or stop any vehicle on any private property without the consent of the person in control of the premises.

(8) To park a vehicle in a parking space otherwise than wholly within the sidelines of the parking space.

(9) To park or stop a vehicle within an intersection, or on a bridge (not properly marked for such use) or a sidewalk, or in front of a private driveway, or within six 6-feet of a fire hydrant, or abreast of a vehicle parked or stopped at the curb of a street, or so as to obstruct traffic.

(10) Except where parking of vehicles is permitted, to park, to park a vehicle, or place or leave anything, in a roadway which may impede or hinder its full and free use by vehicles.

(11) To park a vehicle, or place or leave anything, which may impede or hinder vehicular traffic where "No Parking" signs are erected.

(12) To park a vehicle on any Town street in such a manner that the curb is to the left of the vehicle, whereas the vehicle is facing oncoming traffic.

(13) Unless a parking space is otherwise plainly marked on the street, park a vehicle in any manner other than parallel and close to the curb or outer edge of the traveled way of a street, the full length of the vehicle.

Section 2 (j) It shall be unlawful for a person to park any vehicle on any Town road in such a manner, or in any way, which may interfere with the prompt and orderly removal or plowing of snow, removal of ice, or sanding or salting, or otherwise treating snow or ice by the road crew. This section shall be effective only between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. between the 15th day of November of each year and the 15th day of April of the following year.

Section 2 (k) It shall be unlawful for a person to park any vehicle on any Town Road in such a manner, or in any way, which may interfere with the repairs of any roads during any season.

Section 2 (l) For the purpose of cleaning, clearing, oiling, repairing, reconstructing, or surfacing a street or Town road, sewer or waterline, the Street Department, the Water Department, or Sewage Department may close all of a street or Town road, or part thereof, to parking or stopping of vehicles by causing signs to be posted thereon, in conspicuous locations, indicating the prohibition of parking thereon. It shall be unlawful for a person to park a vehicle on a street or Town road closed under this section.

Section 2 (m) An officer of the Fire Department may prohibit parking on streets within five hundred (500) feet from the scene of a fire which the Fire Department is attending and engaged in extinguishing, when he/she deems such parking interferes or will interfere with firefighting and other duties of the Department. He/she shall cause signs to be erected on all streets at the outer limits of the "No Parking" zone he creates and shall cause them to be removed when the needs of the Department no longer require them.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park, stop, stand, or enter, with a vehicle, any "No Parking" zone established under provisions of this section, unless special authorization is granted in advance by the Hardwick Police Chief or the action is authorized onsite, by an officer of the Fire Department or of the Police Department.

Section 3. Parking lot regulations

In any public parking lot in the Town, it shall be unlawful for a person:

(1) To park a vehicle anywhere except in a parking space.

(2) To park a vehicle for more than four (4) hours consecutively or as marked, at any time, without permission from the Select Board or Police Department except for on the south side of Mill Street parking lot, the first two spaces at the west entrance from 0' to 22' which will be ten (10) minute parking spaces and except for the municipal parking lot west of the so called "Pedestrian bridge which shall be designated as twelve (12) hour parking except for the five (5) spaces directly in front of the so-called 'Daniels Building' which will be designated as two (2) hour parking spaces.

- (3) To park a vehicle from which merchandise or service is sold or offered for sale, or displayed for sale or exhibition, without permission of the Select Board.
- (4) To park a vehicle so that any part thereof extends more than six (6) inches over or on a sidewalk or other pedestrian walk.
- (5) To operate a vehicle at a rate of speed greater than fifteen (15) miles per hour in any portion of a parking lot.
- (6) To fail to observe traffic signs erected in a parking lot by order of the Select Board.

Section 4. "No Parking" areas designated

"No Parking" traffic signs shall be erected on Town streets, as designated by the Select Board, from time to time. Upon adoption by the Select Board, the designated "No Parking" areas shall be published in a local newspaper at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date.

Section 5. Exceptions to application of this article.

This article shall not apply to an intersection when that intersection is controlled either by a traffic control device or by members of the Police Department or Fire Department controlling traffic.

Section 6. Restricted Parking/Limited Time

(1) It shall be unlawful for the operator of any motor vehicle to park consecutively for more than ten (10) minutes on the following designated streets, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(2) Mill Street Parking Lot

On the south side of the Mill Street parking lot the first two spaces at the west entrance from 0' to 22'.

(3) South Main Street

It shall be unlawful for the operator of any motor vehicle to park consecutively for more than two (2) hours on the following designated streets, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(4) Mill Street:

On the south side of Mill Street from the South Main Street intersection, 49' east to 89' (Handicap Parking space between 49' and 69'). .

On the north side of Mill Street from the North Main Street intersection, east to 102' .

(5) South Main Street:

On the east side of South Main Street from the intersection of Holton Hill Road north 106' to 494' (except the handicap parking space at 281' to 302').

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(6) North Main Street:
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On the west side of North Main Street from the South Main Street intersection, north to 65' .

On the west side of North Main Street from the North Main Street bridge to the intersection of Highland Avenue.

It shall be unlawful for the operator of any motor vehicle to park consecutively for more than Four (4) hours on the following designated streets, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(7) South Main Street:

On the east side of South Main Street from the Holton Hill Road intersection, south 20' to 538' (There are two handicap spaces 538' to 583').

On the west side of South Main Street from the Terrace Hill Road (north entrance) intersection south to 12' prior to the Lower Cherry Street intersection.

Section 7. Handicap Parking

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person without a handicap permit, shall, at any time, park a vehicle in or upon any of the following parking spaces:

(1) North Main Street:

On the west side of North Main Street 93' south of the West Church Street-North Main Street intersection.

(??? – Need input on this)

(2) South Main Street:

On the east side of South Main Street north of the Holton Hill Road intersection 281' to 302' (one space)
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On the east side of South Main Street south of the Holton Hill Road intersection 538' to 583 (two spaces).

(3) Mill Street:

On the south side of Mill Street from the South Main Street intersection, east 49'to 69' (one space).

(4) Parking Lots:

The first parking space located on the easterly side of the parking lot in the Village Diner Parking lot.

Section 8. Parking Prohibited

Parking is always prohibited on certain streets in the Town. When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall, at any time, park a vehicle upon any of the following described streets:

(1) South Main Street:

On the west side of South Main Street, from the intersection of Lower Cherry Street 1498' south to Winter Street; except for the lot at 426 South Main Street.

On the east side of South Main Street, from the Upper Cherry Street intersection south to Mackville Road. .

From South Main Street, south, on the South Main Street Extension (state highway zone).

(2) North Main Street:

No parking on the east side of North Main Street from the intersection of Mill Street to the intersection of Church Street.

(3) Mill Street:

On the south side of Mill Street 89' from the South Main Street intersection, east to Sumner Street. .

On the north side of Mill Street 102' from the North Main Street intersection east to Hay's Service Station.

(4) Wolcott Street:

No parking on Wolcott Street; except for the municipal parking lot.

(5) Houghton Hill:

(6) Lower Cherry Street:

On the south side of Lower Cherry Street from the intersection of South Main Street to the intersection of Elm Street.

(7) West Church Street:

On the north side 140' from the intersection of North Main Street west to the corner.

On the south side of the street 90' east from the corner. From the intersection of North Main Street 50'.

(8) Church Street – Maple Street:

On the north side of Church Street, between 39 Church Street and up to Creamery Road on Maple Street.

On the south side of Church Street from the North Main Street intersection east 35'. There are five parking spaces that end at 135' from the North Main Street intersection. From that point east to Slapp Hill Road is prohibited parking.

(9) Depot Street:

No parking on the east side of Depot Street, and no overnight parking

(10) East Hardwick:

Overnight parking at the parking lot located at the intersection of the Brick House Road and East Church Street.

Section 9. Penalties

The penalties for a violation of the provisions of Article VIII are as follows:

Limited time parking	\$25.00
Handicapped	- \$75.00
Winter Parking Ban	-\$35.00
Curb to Left	- \$25.00
Fire Hydrant	- \$35.00
Blocking Drive	- \$25.00
Sidewalk	- \$25.00
Crosswalk	- \$25.00
Not within lines	- \$25.00
Interfere with winter road maintenance	- \$35.00
Parking Prohibited	- \$25.00
Other	- \$25.00

Section 9 (a). Collection of penalties

Any person who has violated the provisions of any section of this article which regulates, restricts or

defines the time or place of the parking of vehicles in the Town, or prescribes any traffic regulations, may, within five (5) days from the date of such violation, waive the issuance of any process by voluntarily paying, to the Hardwick Police Department, the violation fee as herein prescribed.

1. Any vehicle, which has accumulated three (3) or more notices of parking violations within a 90 day period, as provided in this article, and which is parked or left on any public street or road, or in, or upon any other place within the Town where the parking or leaving of such vehicle is governed by the regulation under this article, may be immobilized with a tire lock (boot) or removed and stored pursuant to the provisions of this section, until all charges, both for all outstanding violations, and any charges imposed by such removal and storage, have been paid in full, or until a bond, certified by the Chief of Police or a duly authorized representative in an amount equal to the charges set forth above, has been posted. Fines not paid within five (5) days assessed an additional \$ 20.00. All fines are subject an additional \$ 20.00 fee for collection cost, if deemed necessary.

2. The Chief of Police, or a duly authorized representative, shall notify the registered owner of the vehicle, or a holder of a security interest therein, if his/her identity can be readily ascertained, within seven (7) days of the storage of a vehicle pursuant to subsection a of this section.

3. The notice referred to shall be tended on forms prescribed and provided by the Chief of Police, and shall describe the year, make, model, and serial number of the stored vehicle; the storage location of such vehicle; and the requirements of release as set forth in subsection A hereof, and a notice of the right to reclaim such vehicle within ninety (90) days after the date of the mailing of the notice. The notice shall indicate that failure to reclaim the vehicle within the time provided shall be deemed to transfer all right, title, and interest in such vehicle to the Town of Hardwick. Upon the failure of the registered owner of the vehicle, or a holder of a security interest therein, to reclaim the vehicle within the time prescribed, the Hardwick Police Department may dispose of such vehicle in the manner desired, provided, however, that no unclaimed vehicle shall be retained for a period of longer than one-hundred twenty (120) days.

4. If the Chief of Police, or a duly authorized representative is unable to ascertain the identity of the registered owner of the vehicle, or the holder of a security interest therein, removed pursuant to this section, the Chief shall cause to be published once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town, .

ARTICLE X GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Separate offenses

Each 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 provision hereof be adjudged invalid, such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

Section 4. Designation

This ordinance may be referred to as the Town of Hardwick 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 sufficient reference hereto.

Section 5. Repeal of prior ordinances

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

- Adopted June 24, 1991
- Amended September 2, 1993
- Amended April 7, 1994
- Amended June 30, 1997
- Amended February 8, 2001
- Amended May 17, 2001
- Amended September 14, 2004
- Amended January 18, 2005
- Amended October 19, 2006
- Amended June 2, 2011
- Amended January 8, 2015
- Amended August 18, 2016
- Amended May 18, 2023
- Amended June 20, 2024

TOWN OF HARDWICK

Adopted and signed this 20th day of June 2024 by the Select Board of the Town of Hardwick, Vermont:

Eric Remick, Chair _____

Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, Vice Chair _____

Shari Cornish _____

Timothy Ricciardello _____

Danny Hale _____

Attest: Tonia Chase, Town Clerk _____