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Speed Regulations for Town Roads in the Town of Worcester
Town Ordinance # 072020

SECTION I: AUTHORITY

This ordinance is adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of Worcester under authority of 23 V.S.A. 1007, 24 V.S.A. 2291, 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59 and 13 V.S.A. 7251.

SECTION II: PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to promote public health and safety by establishing safe speed limits on all town highways in the Town of Worcester.

SECTION III: SPEED REGULATIONS

Based on consideration of the neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, the following speed limits are hereby established:

All unpaved Worcester town roads shall have a maximum speed of 35 MPH with exceptions. All paved portions of Worcester town roads shall also have a maximum speed limit of 35 MPH. The paved portions of Worcester town roads are, the 1.47 miles of Class 2 of Town Highway No. 2 (Minister Brook Road), the 1.75 miles of Class 1 of Town Highway No. 1 (Calais Road) and the .11 miles Class 3 of Town Highway No. 19 (Mill Road).

Exceptions to the 35 MPH speed limit includes:

Town Highway No. 7 (Eagle Ledge Road) shall be a maximum speed of 25 MPH from the intersection of Town Highway No. 11 (Harris Hill Road) to the end of Town Highway No.7.

Town Highway No. 28 (Downs Road) shall have a maximum speed of 25 MPH from the intersection Vermont State Highway Route 12 to the end of Town Highway No.

Town Highway No. 1 (Calais Road) School Zone shall have a maximum speed of 25 MPH as posted from the intersection of Vermont Route 12 East to include the school zone 300 feet before the East and West property boundaries of Doty Elementary School and continuing for a total distance of 3,696 feet along the Calais Road.

Town Highway No. 4 (Hampshire Hill Road) shall have a maximum speed of 25 MPH for the first 2000 feet from the intersection of Town Road No. 2 (Minister Brook Road) and shall have a maximum speed limit of 35 MPH thereafter.

The above speed limits shall be posted in accordance with standards set forth in the *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices* and shall be in effect when so posted.

SECTION IV: PENALTIES

- A. This shall be a civil ordinance and shall be enforced in accordance with provisions of 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59 or through any Vermont court having proper jurisdiction.
- B. The penalty for violation of any of the above speed limits shall be that set by the Schedule of Fines established by the State of Vermont.

SECTION V: ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS

This ordinance may be enforced by the Washington County Sheriff's Department, any certified Worcester Constable, Vermont State Police, Department of Motor Vehicles, Vermont Fish & Wildlife.

SECTION VI: SEVERABILITY

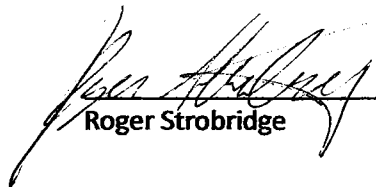
If any portion of this ordinance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.

SECTION VII: EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) days after its adoption by the Worcester Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A. 1973, that statute shall govern the effective date of this ordinance.
ADOPTED BY THE WORCESTER SELECT BOARD: July 20, 2020.

This ordinance shall be entered into the minutes of the town records and shall be posted in at least five conspicuous places in town. A concise summary of it shall be published in the Times Argus within fourteen days of its adoption accompanied by the information as to where the full text of it may be examined, the right of the voters to petition for a vote and the name, address and telephone number of a person who is available to answer questions about it. The ordinance shall become effective sixty days after its adoption unless a petition signed by five percent of the qualified voters in the Town of Worcester asking for a vote on the question of disapproving the ordinance is filed with the Town Clerk or the Selectboard within forty four days after the adoption of the ordinance. If such a petition is filed, the Selectboard shall call a special meeting to vote on that question and the ordinance shall become effective at the end of that meeting unless a majority of those voting on the question disapproves the ordinance or sixty days after its adoption.

Ted Lamb


Roger Strobridge

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION
TOWN OF WORCESTER
SUMMARY OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING
SPEED ON TOWN ROADS**

Notice is hereby given that the Selectboard of the town of Worcester, at a regularly scheduled meeting held on July 6 2020, duly adopted a speed regulation of town roads ordinance for the town of Worcester, Vermont. The purpose of the ordinance is to protect public health and safety.

The ordinance addresses the following topics: authority, purposes, speed regulations on Worcester Town Roads being 35 MPH except as otherwise specified, penalties, enforcement officials, severability and effective date.

The full text of the ordinance maybe be examined at the Town Office or on the Town Of Worcester web page www.worcestervt.org/town-government/selectboard. Questions concerning it may be addressed to Selectperson Ted Lamb, 259 Minister Brook Rd, Worcester, VT 05682, phone number 802-229-1891.

The Speed Regulations on Town Roads Ordinance will become effective on September 18, 2020. Unless a petition signed by at least five percent of the qualified voters of the Town of Worcester requesting a vote on the Ordinance is submitted to the Selectboard or the Clerk of the Town by August 19, 2020.

Worcester Selectboard Speed Regulations of Worcester Town Roads 2020