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**Speed Regulations on Unpaved Roads
in the Town of Worcester**

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 unpaved 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 town highways shall have a maximum speed of 35 M.P.H. except for the following:

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

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 provision 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, or the Vermont State Police.

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.


ARTICLE 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 SELECTBOARD

DATE DEC. 17, 2001

* 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~~ 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.


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

Notice is hereby given that the Selectboard of the town of Worcester, at a regularly scheduled meeting held on December 17, 2001, duly adopted a speed regulation on unpaved 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 unpaved roads being 35 MPH except as otherwise specified, penalties, enforcement officials, severability, and effective date.

The full text of the ordinance may be examined at the Town Office. Questions concerning it may be addressed to Selectperson William Haines, 339 Elmore Road, Worcester 05682 or at 229-9303.

The Speed Regulations on Unpaved Roads Ordinance will become effective on February 17, 2002 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 January 30, 2002.

Worcester Selectboard