

# STOP SIGNS

## Town of Worcester

### An Ordinance establishing stop signs and other traffic control devices.

**ARTICLE 1. Authority.** This ordinance is adopted under authority granted in 23 V.S.A. § 1008, 24 V.S.A. § 229(4) and 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59.

**ARTICLE 2. Purpose.** The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate traffic in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

**ARTICLE 3. DEFINITIONS.** For purposes of this ordinance, the following words and/or phrases shall be defined as follows:

- a. Stop sign: The signs described in MUTCD, section 2B-4.
- b. Highway and town highway: As defined in 19 V.S.A. § 1 (12) & (21).
- c. Intersection: Any point at which a highway joins another at an angle, whether or not it crosses the other.
- d. MUTCD: The Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices issued by the Federal Highway Administration.

**ARTICLE 4. LOCATION OF STOP SIGNS.** Stop signs shall be erected on the following highways for the regulation of traffic at the following intersections:

- a. Minister Brook Road - Eastbound at the intersection with Route 12
- b. Calais Road - Westbound at the intersection with Route 12
- c. Gould Hill, Pratt Road and Collar Hill at the intersection with Calais Road
- d. West Hill at the intersection with Minister Brook Road
- e. Ledge Road, Downs Road, Mill Road and Hancock Brook Road at the intersection with Route 12

**ARTICLE 6. PENALTIES.** All penalties shall be those established by the State of Vermont for traffic violations.

**ARTICLE 7. ENFORCEMENT.** This ordinance may be enforced by any properly qualified Vermont law enforcement officer.

**ARTICLE 8. SEVERABILITY.** If any section of this ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.

**ARTICLE 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall become effective 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 taking effect of this ordinance.

Will H. Harris  
Walker Baden  
Richard Dodge  
Signatures

10/6/03  
Date

Adoption History

1. Agenda item at regular selectboard meeting held on September 8, 2003.
2. Read and approved at regular selectboard meeting on October 6, 2003 and entered in the minutes of that meeting, which were approved on .
3. Posted in public places on 10/24/03.
4. Notice of adoption published in the Times Argus Newspaper on 10/24/03 with a notice of the right to petition.
5. Other actions [petitions, etc.].

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION  
TOWN OF WORCESTER  
SUMMARY OF AN ORDINANCE  
ESTABLISHING STOP SIGNS**

Notice is hereby given that the Selectboard of the town of Worcester, at a regularly scheduled meeting held on October 6, 2003, duly adopted a stop sign ordinance for the Town of Worcester, Vermont. The purpose of the ordinance is to regulate traffic in order to protect public health, safety, and welfare.

The ordinance addresses the following topics: authority, purposes, location of stop signs, penalties, enforcement, severability, and effective date.

The full text of the ordinance may be examined at the Town Office. Questions concerning it may be address to Selectperson William Haines, 339 Elmore Rd, Worcester or at 229-9309.

The Stop Sign Ordinance will become effective on December 8, 2003 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 November 20, 2003.

Worcester Selectboard