

TOWN OF THETFORD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

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 enactments as may be material hereto, it is hereby ordained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Thetford that the following Traffic Ordinance is adopted for the Town of Thetford.

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

The definitions in Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 4 are incorporated by reference.

ARTICLE II SCOPE

This Ordinance established special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Thetford.

ARTICLE III TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Section 1: It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the direction of a traffic control device except in response to the direction of a law enforcement officer.

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 device which may resemble or be mistaken for an official traffic control device without prior approval of Town of Thetford Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE IV SPEED REGULATIONS

On the basis of traffic and engineering surveys, the following maximum speed limits are hereby established:

TH 1/SA1: Route 132/Strafford Road – 35 mph beginning at the Strafford/Thetford Town Line, extending easterly 2.52 miles to 100 feet south of TH8, then 40 mph continuing easterly 2.65 miles to the Norwich/Thetford Town Line.

SA2: West Fairlee Road – 35 mph for its entire length

SA3: Academy Road – 25 mph beginning at Route 113 extending southerly .7 miles, then 35 mph continuing southerly 2 miles to Main Street Union Village. 25 mph beginning at Union Village Bridge southerly to Norwich/Thetford Town Line.

SA4: Miller Pond Road – 35 mph beginning at Route 132 extending .8 miles to Strafford/Thetford Town Line.

SA5: Latham Road – 35 mph for its entire length.

SA6: Tucker Hill Road – 25 mph beginning at Route 113 extending southerly .5 miles. Then 35 mph continuing southerly to Route 132.

Route 113: Post Mills Village – 35 mph beginning .1 mile west of Route 244 extending .5 miles easterly, then 40 mph continuing easterly .4 miles.

Route 113: Thetford Center – 40 mph beginning at Hale’s Funeral Home extending .3 miles easterly, then 35 mph continuing easterly .5 miles. Then 40 mph continuing easterly .7 miles on Thetford Hill 30 mph extending easterly .5 miles then 40 mph continuing easterly .7 miles to U.S. Route 5.

Route 244: Post Mills Village – 35 mph beginning at Route 113 extending .1 miles, then 40 mph 1.4 miles to West Fairlee/Thetford Town Line.

Route 5: East Thetford – 30 mph beginning .1 miles south of Pavillion Road extending Northerly .4 miles.

Route 5: North Thetford – 35 mph beginning at Cider Mill Road northerly .5 miles.

ARTICLE V STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

Section 1: The following intersections shall be designated as “STOP” intersections, and will be signed as such.

113 – Route 113, entering U.S. Route 5 easterly.

113 – Route 113, entering U.S. Route 5 westerly.

SA2 – West Fairlee Road, entering Route 113.

SA2 – West Fairlee Road, entering Route 244.

SA3 – Academy Road, entering Route 113.

SA4 – Miller Pond Road, entering Route 132, (SA1).

SA5 – Latham Road, entering U.S. Route 5.

SA5 – Latham Road, entering Route 113.

SA6 – Tucker Hill Road, entering Route 113.

SA6 – Tucker Hill Road, east side of Tucker Hill one lane covered bridge.

SA6 – Tucker Hill Road, west side of Tucker Hill one lane covered bridge.
SA6 – Tucker Hill Road, entering Route 132, (SA1).
TH6 – Buzzell Bridge Road, entering Route 113.
TH8 – Gove Hill Road, entering Route 132, (SA1).
TH14 – Turnpike Road, entering Latham Road.
TH10 – Cross Street, entering West Fairlee Road, (SA2).
TH10 – Cross Street, entering Route 244.
TH11 – Robinson Hill Road, entering Route 244.
TH12 – Lakeshore Road, entering Route 244.
TH12 – Lakeshore Road, entering Robinson Hill Road.
TH16 – Clay Road, entering U.S. Route 5.
TH20 – Sawnee Bean Road, entering Route 113.
TH21 – Barker Road, entering Sawnee Bean Road.
TH21 – Barker Road, entering Route 113.
TH28 – Whippoorwill Road, entering Tucker Hill Road, (SA6).
TH30 – Mud Pond Road, entering Route 113.
TH31 – Houghton Hill Road, entering Route 113.
TH34 – Cadwell Road, entering Route 113.
TH34 – Cadwell Road, entering Sanborn Road.
TH35 – Sanborn Road, entering Latham Road, (SA5).
TH35 – Sanborn Road, entering U.S. Route 5.
TH40 – Godfrey Road, entering Route 113.
TH41 – Asa Burton Road, entering Route 113.
TH58 – Quail John Road, entering U.S. Route 5.
TH58 – Quail John Road, entering Godfrey Road.
TH61 – Five Corners Road, entering Route 113.
TH70 – Library Road, entering Route 113.
TH75 – Garey Road, entering Route 113.
TH76 – Schoolhouse Road, entering Latham Road.

ARTICLE VI GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1: Each violation of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 2: The provisions of this ordinance are declared severable, and of any provision hereof be judged invalid, such judgement shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

Section 3: This Ordinance refers to highway designations shown on the “General Highway Map of the Town of Thetford” prepared by the Agency of Transportation dated 2005.

Adopted by the Board of Selectman, Town of Thetford, on August 14, 2006.

Mark McAllister
Barbara
Mary
William Brown
Douglas Stone

This Ordinance shall be published in The Valley News on Aug. 18, 2006, and shall be filed in the records of the Town of Thetford on _____, in Book _____, page _____.

This Ordinance is adopted in accordance with the aforementioned Statutes, and becomes effective 60 days after adoption by the Board of Selectmen.

Any Ordinance adopted by a Municipality may be repealed by a vote of a majority of qualified voters. A petition for a vote on the question shall be signed by not less than 5 percent of the checklist, and presented to the Board of Selectmen within 44 days following the date of adoption. If such a petition is presented, the question will be decided at a Special Town Meeting called by the Board of Selectmen.

Additional information pertaining to this Ordinance may be obtained by contacting James Lanctot, Chief of Police, Thetford Police Department 785-2200. Information is also available at the Town Clerk's Office, and may be examined during regular office hours.

Certified this 14 day of August, 2006

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Notary of the Public