

TRAFFIC ORDINANCE
TOWN OF WALTHAM, VERMONT
2024

Pursuant to the provision of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 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 Board of Selectman of the Town of Waltham that the following Traffic Ordinances is adopted for the Town of Waltham, Vermont.

ARTICLE 1. Definitions

The definitions of Title 23, Vermont Statues Annotated; Section 4 are incorporated by reference.

ARTICLE 2. Scope

The ordinance established special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Waltham.

ARTICLE 3. Traffic Control Devices

- A. 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.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally remove, injure, obstruct, deface, alter or tamper with any traffic control device.
- C. 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 Town of Waltham Select Board.

ARTICLE 4. Speed Regulations

No person shall operate or drive a motor vehicle upon any of the roads of the town, at any time, at a rate of speed greater than 35 miles per hour, unless otherwise posted.

Signs indicating the speed limit shall be posted conspicuous within the highway limits at the point where such speeds become effective under this ordinance and as provided for by law.

Speed limits will remain as posted on US Route 7 at maximum speed of 50 M.P.H. and on Otter Creek Highway (AKA State Route 17) at a maximum speed of 45 M.P.H.

ARTICLE 5. General Provisions

- A. Offenses: Each violation of a provision of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

- B. 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.
- C. Severability: The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provision hereof be adjudged invalid such judgement shall not affect the validity of any other provision.
- D. Designation: This ordinance may be referred to as the Waltham 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.
- E. Publication and Posting: This ordinance shall be published in the Addison County Independent and shall be filed with the Waltham Town Clerk on January 9, 2024.

Adopted by the Town of Waltham Select Board at its meeting held on January 8, 2024.

Waltham Select Board: Brent Newton, Chairman, Andrew Martin and Rhonda Williams

This ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) days after the date of its adoption, unless 44 days following the adoption of the ordinance, five percent of the voters petition for a special vote to disapprove the ordinance.