

TOWN OF ORWELL  
VERMONT

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING STOP SIGNS  
AND  
OTHER TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES**

AMENDMENTS-To Article 4. Location of Stop Signs

**August 2009**

ARTICLE 1. AUTHORITY. This ordinance is adopted under the authority granted in 23 VSA § 1008, 24 VSA § 2291(4) and 24 VSA 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 the MUTCD, section 2B-4.
- (b) Highway and Town highway - as defined in 19 VSA § 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.
- (e) Yield sign - the signs described in the MUTCD.

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) Hibbard Hill Road - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Fisher Road
- (b) Royce Hill Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with North Orwell Road.
- (c) Brown Lane - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with North Orwell Road.
- (d) Chipman's Point Road - Westbound traffic just past Wicker Lane

**Amended July 2003 to include:**

- (e) Mutton Square Road - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Sanford Road.
- (f) Conkey Hill Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Sanford Road.
- (g) Brown Lane - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Route 73W.
- (h) Bascom Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Mt Independence Road.

**Amended August 2009 to include:**

- (i) Sunset Lake Road - Northbound traffic at intersection with Martin & Knox Hill Roads.
- (j) Conkey Hill Road - Eastbound traffic at intersection with Raymond Hill Road.
- (k) Hemenway Hill Road - Southbound traffic at intersection with Route 73W.
- (l) Hemenway Hill Road - Westbound traffic at intersection with Route 73W.
- (m) Daigneault Hill Road - Southwestbound traffic at intersection with No Orwell Road.
- (n) Knox Hill Road - Eastbound traffic at intersection with Young Road.

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- (o) Hibbard Hill Road - Westbound traffic at Daigneault/Beauvais Roads intersection.
- (p) Singing Cedars Road - Eastbound traffic at intersection with Old Stage Road.
- (q) Brock Lane - Eastbound traffic at intersection with Old Stage Road.
- (r) Old Foundry Road - Northbound traffic at intersection with Route 73W.
- (s) Old Foundry Road - Southbound traffic at intersection with Route 73W.
- (t) Shoreham Depot Road - Southbound traffic right at intersection with Royce Hill Rd.
- (u) Parks Drive - Westbound traffic at intersection with Needham Hill & Sanford Roads.

ARTICLE 5. LOCATION OF YIELD SIGNS. Yield signs shall be erected on the following highways for the regulation of traffic at the following intersections:

- (a) Mt Independence Road - Eastbound traffic at intersection with Route 73W.
- (b) Route 73W - Westbound traffic at intersection with Mt Independence Road.

**Amended July 2003 to include:**

- c) Chipman's Point Road - Eastbound onto Mt Independence Road.

Warning signs at curve:

- (d) Route 73 West - Sharp curve approximate ½ mile South of Shoreham/Orwell border on Route 73W - 2 'sharp curve' signs, one for each direction.

ARTICLE 6. LOCATION OF PARKING SIGNS. Parking signs shall be erected on the following highways for the regulation of vehicles [No Parking on Traveled Portion of Town Highway] at the following locations:

NONE AT THIS TIME

ARTICLE 7. PENALTIES. All penalties shall be those established by the State of Vermont for traffic violations.

ARTICLE 8. ENFORCEMENT. This ordinance may be enforced by any properly qualified Vermont law enforcement officer.

ARTICLE 9. 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 the ordinance.

ARTICLE 10. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) days after its adoption by the ORWELL SELECT BOARD. If a petition is filed under 24 VSA §1973, that statute shall govern the taking effect of this ordinance.

ARTICLE 11. NOTICE. This ordinance shall be entered into the minutes of the town records and shall be posted in at least five (5) conspicuous places in town. A concise summary of it shall be published in the Addison Independent within fourteen (14) days of its adoption accompanied by

the information as to where the full text of it may be examined, the right of voters to petition for a vote, and the name, address and telephone number of a person who is available to answer questions about it.

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[Instead of a concise summary, you may publish the entire text of the proposed ordinance in the paper.] The ordinance shall become effective sixty days (60) after its adoption unless a petition signed by five (5) percent of the qualified voters in the Town of Orwell asking for a vote on the question of disapproving the ordinance is filed with the Town Clerk or the Select Board within forty four (44) days after the adoption of the ordinance. If such a petition is filed, the Select Board 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.

Signatures \_\_\_\_\_ Date August 10, 2009  
Paula Barnes

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: August 10, 2009  
Walker James

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: August 10, 2009  
Carla Ochs

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: August 10, 2009  
Peter Young

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: August 10, 2009  
Roland Simmons, Chair

ADOPTION HISTORY

1. Agenda item at regular Select Board meeting held on **December 27, 1999**.
2. Read and approved at regular Select Board meeting on **January 10, 2000**.  
and entered in the minutes of that meeting which were approved on **January 24, 2000**.
3. Posted in public places on **January 13, 2000**.
4. Notice of adoption published in the **Addison Independent** newspaper on **January 20, 2000** with a notice of the right to petition.
5. Other actions (petitions, etc.)

**Effective March 10, 2000**

AMENDMENT ADOPTION HISTORY

1. Agenda item at regular Select Board meeting held on **June 23, 2003**.

2. Read and approved at regular Select Board meeting on **July 14, 2003**.  
and entered in the minutes of that meeting which were approved on  
**July 28, 2003**.

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3. Posted in public places on **July 18, 2003**.
4. Notice of adoption published in the **Addison Independent** newspaper on  
**July 24, 2003** with a notice of the right to petition.
5. Other actions (petitions, etc.)

**Effective September 12, 2003**

AMENDMENT ADOPTION HISTORY

1. Agenda item at regular Select Board meeting held on **July 27, 2009**.
2. Read and approved at regular Select Board meeting on **August 10, 2009**.  
and entered in the minutes of that meeting which were approved on  
\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Posted in public places on **August 11, 2009**.
4. Notice of adoption published in the **Addison Independent** newspaper on  
**August 20, 2009** with a notice of the right to petition.
5. Other actions (petitions, etc.)