

**Town of Plainfield
Traffic Ordinance**

Pursuant to Vermont Statute Title 23, Section 1007 and 1008, Title 24, Sections 1971 and 2291 subsections 1, 4, and 5, and such other general enactments as may be material hereto, and the municipal charter of the Town of Plainfield at 24 App. V.S.A. ch. 131, § 301-305, Ordinances, the Selectboard of the Town of Plainfield hereby ordains:

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS

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

ARTICLE II. SCOPE

The ordinance establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Plainfield, Vermont.

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 sign or device which may resemble or be mistaken for an official traffic control device, without prior approval of the Plainfield Selectboard.

ARTICLE IV. SPEED REGULATIONS:

Section 1. All unpaved roads in the Town of Plainfield outside the village limits shall have a speed limit of 35 mph.

Section 2. The speed limit on all roads within the village are as follows:

1. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH3, (Main Street), for its entire length.
2. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH9, (Creamery Street), for its entire length.
3. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH1, (Mill Street), for its entire length.
4. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH2, (Brook Road), from intersection with SA1, (Barre Hill Road), to intersection with TH18, (Cameron Road).
5. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH10, (Hudson Avenue), for its entire length.
6. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH1, (Barre Hill), for its entire length.
7. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH1, (Recreation Field Road), for its entire length.
8. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH12 (Walker Lane), for its entire length.
9. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH37, (Martin Meadow Road), for its entire length.

10. A maximum speed of 25 mph for TH 36, (Towne Avenue), for its entire length.
11. A maximum speed of 30 mph for US-2, (High Street), from Main Street west to VT-214 intersection.
12. A maximum speed of 30 mph for US-2, (School Street), from Main Street east to the Marshfield Town line.
13. A maximum speed of 40 mph for US-2, from VT-214 intersection west to the 50 mph zone.

Referring to 11, 12, and 13 above, said speed limits being intended to conform to the State established speed limits for this road. This local speed limit is adopted in conformance with VT Statute Title 23, Section 1007 (f).

Section 3. The above speed limits for paved and unpaved highways shall be posted in accordance with the standards set forth in Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1007, and the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE V. STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

Section 1. The following intersections shall be designated as "STOP" intersections, and shall be so signed:

- VT-214 entering US-2 (High Street)
- TH1 (Mill Street) entering TH3 (Main Street)
- TH1 (Flood Road) entering TH1 (Middle Road)
- TH1 (Flood Road) entering TH5 (Lower Road)
- TH1 (Middle Road) entering TH4 (Cummings Road) at intersection of TH1 (Flood Road)
- TH2 (Brook) entering TH1 (Mill Street)
- TH2 (Brook)-Westbound at the intersection of Creamery
- TH2 (Brook)-Eastbound at the intersection of Creamery
- TH3 (Main Street) –Westbound traffic at the intersection of TH9 (Creamery Street)
- TH3 (Main Street)-Eastbound traffic at the intersection of TH9 (Creamery Street)
- TH3 (Main Street) entering US-2 (High Street)
- TH3 (Main Street) entering US-2 (School Street)
- TH5 (Lower Road) entering TH1 (Barre Hill)
- TH6 (Taylor Farm Road) entering VT-214
- TH7 (East Hill Road) entering TH3 (Main Street)
- TH7 (East Hill Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
- TH9 (Creamery Street) entering TH3 (Main Street)
- TH9 (Creamery Street) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
- TH10 (Hudson Ave) entering TH9 (Creamery Street)
- TH10 (Hudson Ave) entering TH1 (Mill Street)
- TH11 (Recreation Field Road) entering TH#1 (Mill Street)
- TH12 (Walker Lane) entering Towne Ave
- TH13 (Cameron Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
- TH14 (Batchelder Road) entering TH7 (East Hill Road)
- TH15 (Woodcock Road) entering TH7 (East Hill Road)
- TH16 (Country Club Road) entering US2

TH17 (Cerutti Road) entering TH5 (Lower Road)
 TH18 (Upper Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
 TH19 (Center School Road) entering TH1 (Middle Road)
 TH19 (Center School Road) entering TH18 (Upper Road)
 TH20 (Lindemann Lane) entering TH18 (Upper Road)
 TH22 (Bartlett Road) entering TH18 (Upper Road)
 TH23 (Gray Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
 TH23 (Gray Road) entering TH24 (Percy's Place) TH23 (Gray Road) entering TH7 (East Hill Road)
 TH26 (Gonyeau Road) entering TH1 (Middle Road)
 TH26 (Gonyeau Road) entering TH18 (Upper Road, West)
 TH26 (Gonyeau Road) entering TH18 (Upper Road, East)
 TH26 (Maxfield Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
 TH29 (Lee Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
 TH30 (Spruce Mountain Road) entering TH7 (East Hill Road)
 TH33 (Gore Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
 TH34 (Drake Road) Eastbound traffic at intersection of TH16 (Country Club Road)
 TH34 (Drake Road) Westbound traffic at intersection of TH16 (Country Club Road)
 TH35 (Harvey Hill) entering US-2 (High Street)
 TH36 (Towne Avenue, West) entering US-2
 TH36 (Towne Avenue, East) entering US-2
 TH37 (Martin Meadow Road) entering TH36 (Towne Avenue)
 TH38 (Bean Road) entering TH7 (East Hill Road)
 TH39 (Sugarwood Road) entering VT-214
 TH39 (Greenbriar Road) entering VT-214
 TH42 (Robert Lane) entering US-2

Section 2. The following intersections shall be designated as "YIELD" intersections and shall be so signed:

TH40 (Greatwood Road) entering TH39 (Sugarwood Road)
 TH21 (Fowler Road) entering TH2 (Brook Road)
 TH21 (Fowler Road) entering TH7 (East Hill Road)

ARTICLE VI. CROSSWALKS

The following intersections shall be designated for pedestrian crosswalks, and shall be so marked:

TH1 (Mill Street) at the STOP intersection of TH3 (Main Street)
 TH1 (Mill Street) north of intersection of TH11 (Recreation Field Road)
 TH3 (Main Street) at intersection with TH1 (Mill Street)
 TH3 (Main Street) at the Plainfield Fire Station, west of intersection TH9 (Creamery St)

ARTICLE VII. PARKING REGULATIONS

1. It shall be unlawful to park an unregistered vehicle on any street or road in the Town of Plainfield. It shall also be unlawful to park an unregistered vehicle in any municipal parking lot in the Town of Plainfield, including, but not limited to the Mill Street parking area, the

Russell Recreation Field parking area, the Main Street Park-and-Ride lot, the Town Hall/Opera House parking lot, and the parking lot adjacent to the Town Offices and the Fire Department building on Main Street.

2. It shall be unlawful to park at any time on TH3 (Main Street) from the intersection of US Route 2 to the intersection of TH1 (Mill Street).
3. It shall be unlawful to park on either side of the Winooski River bridge on TH3 (Main Street) or the Great Brook bridge on TH 2 (Brook Road) or any other bridge on a town highway or road in the Town of Plainfield.
4. It shall be unlawful to park on in front of the Fire Station or on TH3 (Main Street) across from the Fire Station.
5. It shall be unlawful to park next to the Fire Station and behind the Fire Station from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. except for emergency personnel.
6. It shall be unlawful to park in the US 2 Municipal Parking Lot, except for municipal use or to attend an approved function at the Town Hall Opera House.
7. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on town property, including, but not limited to parking lots, roads and streets, for more than 72 hours without being moved. Any vehicle parked on town property for more than 72 consecutive hours, without being moved, may be considered abandoned by the Town, in which case an attempt will be made to deliver written notice to owner of intent to remove said vehicle and vehicle will be towed and stored at owner's expense. Thereafter, by order of any the Town Constable or Select Board member, said vehicle may be towed and stored at owner's expense.
8. It shall be unlawful to use the Mill Street parking lot across from the Grace United Methodist Church on TH1, (Mill Street), the Park & Ride on TH3 (Main Street), the Recreation Field Parking lot on TH11 (Recreation Field Road) or any other Municipal Parking Lot for long-term storage, abandonment, or major repairs of vehicles.
9. It shall be unlawful to park on any street or road within the Town of Plainfield between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. from November 1st to April 30th regardless of weather conditions.
10. From November 1st to April 30th of each year, vehicles left overnight at the following parking lots must be moved from said lot by 8:00am following snowfalls to accommodate plowing: the Park & Ride, the Mill Street Park, the Recreation Field, US2 Municipal Parking Lot.
11. Vehicles may not be parked on any public road or highway so as to interfere with snow removal.
12. It shall be unlawful to park a vehicle on any sidewalk in the town.
13. Any vehicle parked in violation of the provisions of this parking ordinance of this Article may be summarily removed and stored at the owner's expense, by order of any Selectboard member, Town Constable, or any other Law Enforcement Officer.

ARTICLE VIII. LOADED VEHICLES

No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any street unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded so as to prevent its contents from dropping, leaking or otherwise escaping therefrom.

ARTICLE IX. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

Section 2. 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.

Section 3. Severability: The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provisions hereof be judged invalid such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other provisions.

Section 4. Designation: This ordinance may be referred to as the Town of Plainfield 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 a sufficient reference hereto.

Section 5. This ordinance refers to the General Highway Map of the Town of Plainfield, prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation and dated October 09, 2014, and as periodically revised.

Section 6. Repeal of Prior Ordinances: Any other ordinance or traffic regulation heretofore adopted by the Town of Plainfield is hereby repealed.

Section 7. Publication and Posting: A summary of this ordinance was published in the Times Argus on March 17, 2018 and this ordinance was filed with the Plainfield Town Clerk on March 12, 2018.

This ordinance shall be effective upon final passage by the Plainfield Selectboard as per Sections 301-305; Ordinances, Enforcement and Adoption, of the Plainfield Town Charter.

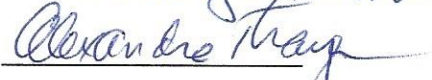
Adopted by the Select Board, Town of Plainfield, at its meeting held on the 26th day of March, 2018.

Final passage of this ordinance made this 26th day of March, 2018.



Select Board Chair





This ordinance may be disapproved by a vote of the majority of qualified voters of the Town of Plainfield at a special meeting duly warned for the purpose, and pursuant to a petition signed by not less than five percent of the qualified voters and submitted to the Selectboard or the Town Clerk of the Town of Plainfield within forty four days of the adoption of this ordinance in accordance with VSA 24, section 1973.