

# **TRAFFIC AND VEHICLE ORDINANCE TOWN OF BERLIN, VERMONT**

## **SECTION 1 GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Selectboard of the Town of Berlin hereby adopts this Traffic and Vehicle Ordinance to be in effect as the date noted below pursuant to the authority granted under the Charter of the Town of Berlin, the provisions of Title 23, VSA Annotated, Section 1007 and 1008; Title 24 VSA. Section 1971 and 2291 (1), (4) and (5).

This ordinance is established to promote public safety. This ordinance is designated a civil ordinance.

This Ordinance shall amend in its entirety the Traffic and Vehicle Ordinance adopted by the Selectboard on January 02, 2001, and amended May 07, 2010, March 18, 2012, February 6, 2017 and September 18, 2017.

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

## **SECTION II SCOPE**

This Ordinance establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Berlin, Vermont

## **SECTION 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 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 Berlin Selectboard.

## **SECTION IV SPEED REGULATIONS**

On the basis of traffic and engineering surveys where applicable by law, the maximum speed limits are hereby established:

Paine Turnpike:

T.H. 1: A maximum speed of 35 mph beginning at the Montpelier City line, extending southerly 3.9 miles to approximately .10 miles south of the intersection of T.H. 28 (Addison Drive); then 40 mph extending 1.24 miles southerly to approximately .53 miles south of the intersection with Town Highway 6 (Fisher Road); then 35 mph from Rte. 62 extending southerly 0.69 miles to the intersection of T.H. 40; then 35 mph from T.H. 40, extending southerly 3.61 miles to the Williamstown Town Line.

Junction Road:

T.H. 2: A maximum speed of 35 mph for its entire length.

Cox Brook Road

T.H. 3: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Airport Road:

T.H. 4: A maximum speed of 40 MPH for its entire length

Scott Hill Road:

T.H. 5: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Fisher Road:

T.H. 6: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Three Mile Bridge Road:

T.H. 7: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Dog Rover Road:

T.H. 8: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Jones Brook Road:

T.H. 10: A maximum speed of 35 mph for its entire length

Bartlett Road:

T.H. 11: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Comstock Road:

T.H. 14: A maximum speed of 40 MPH for its entire length

Browns Mill Road:

T.H. 16: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Hill Street Extension:

T.H. 18: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Stewart Road:

T.H. 19: A maximum speed of 30 MPH for its entire length

Richardson Road:

T.H. 25 A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Hersey Road:

T.H. 21: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Good now Road:

T.H. 23: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Vine Street:

T.H. 26: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Partridge Road, Plataea Drive & Point Ridge Road:

T.H. 27, 78 & 79: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for the entire length of the three streets

Addison Drive:

T.H. 28: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Highland Avenue:

T.H. 30: A maximum speed of 30 MPH for its entire length

Chase Road:

T.H. 35: A maximum speed of 30 MPH for its entire length

Rowell Hill Road:

T.H. 39: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Crosstown Road:

T.H. 40: A maximum speed of 35 MPH beginning at the intersection of T.H. 1, extending westerly to 1.25 miles east of VT Rte. 12; then 25 MPH from 1.25 mile east of VT Rte. 12 westerly to the intersection of VT Rte. 12.

Brookfield Road:

T.H. 43: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Black Road:

T.H. 45: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Coos Trail:

T.H. 46: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Muzzy Road

T.H. 49: A maximum speed of 30 MPH for its entire length

Chandler Road:

T.H. 53: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Ayers Road:

T.H. 54: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Darling Road:

T.H. 55: A maximum of 25 MPH for its entire length

Addison Drive:

T.H. 56: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

East Road:

T.H. 57: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Granger Road:

T.H. 62: A maximum speed of 35 MPH for its entire length

Mirror Lake Road:

T.H. 63: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Vast Lane & Industrial Park Road:

T.H. 70 & 73: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for the entire length of both roads

Pine Hill Drive:

T.H. 71: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

Paul Avenue & Plateau Drive:

T.H. 75 & 79: A maximum speed of 30 MPH for its entire length of both roads

Berlin Heights:

T.H. 81: A maximum speed of 25 MPH for its entire length

All Town Highways maintained and open to the circulation of motor vehicles traffic not listed in the above posted ordinance shall remain at a posted speed of 35 mph

For State Highways, other than on limited access highways, local speed limits shall be as posted by the Vermont Agency of Transportation and as authorized by 23 VSA § 1003.

## **SECTION 5**

### **STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS**

Section 1: The following intersections shall be designated as STOP intersections and shall

Be so signed:

T.H.6, T.H. 14, T.H. 19, T.H. 20, T. H. 40 & T. H. 56 entering T.H. 1.  
T.H. 2 entering T.H. 7  
T.H. 5 entering T.H. 4  
T.H. 8 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 10 entering T.H. 2  
T.H. 11 entering T.H. 2  
T.H. 12 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 16 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 18 entering T.H. 40  
T.H. 21 entering US Route 302  
T.H. 25 entering US Route 2  
T.H. 26 entering US Route 302  
T.H. 28 entering T.H. 21  
T.H. 29 entering US Route 302  
T.H. 30 entering US Route 302  
T.H. 35 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 39 entering T.H. 40 and VT Route 12  
T.H. 40 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 46 entering T.H. 4  
T.H. 47 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 48 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 49 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 52 entering T.H. 53  
T.H. 53 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 54 entering VT Route 12, both north & south End  
T.H. 55 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 56 entering T.H. 28  
T.H. 57 entering T.H. 5 and VT Route 63  
T.H. 60 entering T.H. 3  
T.H. 61 entering T.H. 53 and VT Route 12  
T.H. 62 entering T.H. 4 and T.H. 14  
T.H. 67 entering T.H. 40  
T.H. 71 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 72 entering T.H. 40  
T.H. 73 entering T.H. 4 and T.H. 62  
T.H. 74 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 76 entering T.H. 4  
T.H. 77 entering VT Route 12  
T.H. 78 entering T.H. 27  
T.H. 79 entering T.H. 78

Section 2: The following Intersections shall be designated as YIELD Intersections and shall be so signed:

The ramp from VT Rte. 62 entering T.H. 6  
The off ramp from T.H. 6 entering T.H. 1  
T.H. 19 entering T.H. 18

#### **SECTION VI PARKING REGULATIONS**

The following Highways or portions there of shall be designated as “No Parking Zones”.

T.H. 1 (Paine Turnpike South) from junction of T.H. 43. (Brookfield Road) To T.H. 40 (Crosstown Road) on both sides of the roadway.

T.H. 43 (Brookfield Road) Entire length of both sides of road with the exception of signed parking spaces just south of State boat launch

T.H. 61 (Lovers Lane) Both sides between the railroad tracks to 150’ past the bridge

T.H. 63 (Mirror Lake Road): Entire length of both sides of road

Additional restrictions apply as follows:

- Any Area within proximity to a fire zone or emergency vehicle access
- In any area that the parking of a motor vehicle would interfere with the normal flow of traffic or obstruct movement of other vehicles.
- Alongside or opposite any street excavation or construction when such parking would obstruct traffic.
- During snow removal operations
- Within fifteen feet of an intersection
- On or within five feet of a crosswalk
- On a sidewalk
- Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant
- Parking with the vehicle facing opposite traffic
- Obstructing a driveway
- No unregistered vehicles may be parked on any street or town right of way when being repaired. In the case of a disabled vehicle no longer than 12 hours while waiting for repairs.
- Abreast of another vehicle on the street or roadway (double parked)

Parking Fines/Tickets may be issued by the Berlin Police Department. The following fines are applicable:

Handicap Zone	\$100.00	Hinder Snow Removal	\$50.00
Fire Lane	25.00	Fire Hydrant	100.00
Double Parked	25.00	No Parking Zone	50.00
Blocking Driveway	25.00	Improper Parking	25.00

**SECTION VII  
ONE WAY STREETS**

The following streets shall be designated as "One Way" and shall be so signed.

- T.H. 6 on ramp from VT Rte. 62
- T.H. 6 off ramp from T.H. 6 to T.H. 1
- T.H. 54 Southbound only for its entire length

**SECTION VIII**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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

Section 2: A person who violates a provision of this civil ordinance shall be subject to fines and penalties as set forth in the Schedule of Fines established by the State of Vermont. Enforcement shall be in accordance with the provisions of 24 VSA § 1974a, § 1977 and 23 VSA, §2302.

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

Section 4: Reference is made to the General Highway maps of the Town of Berlin, prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, dated 2015, for highway designations.

Section 5: This ordinance is adopted, as amended by the Selectboard on May 07, 2010, March 18, 2012, February 6, 2017 and September 18, 2017.

Dated this    day of                    .

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Justin Lawrence, Chair

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Bradley Towne, Vice Chair

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Florence Smith, Secretary

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John Quinn III

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C. David Sawyer

Under seal of the Town of Berlin, received and recorded this \_\_\_\_\_ the day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_ by

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Office of the Town Clerk