

## **HIGHWAY & PARKING ORDINANCE**

### **1. AUTHORITY**

This regulation is adopted by the VDOE Annual Meeting 2023 Legislative Body pursuant to RSA 52:1 and RSA 675:3.

### **2. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to:

- 2.1 Provide maximum safety and protection to the traveling public on VDOE roads.
- 2.2 Reduce the danger to the VDOE service operations and personnel in plowing, repairing, and maintaining District roads and property.
- 2.3 Prevent environmental damage to VDOE roads and property.
- 2.4 Protect the quiet and safe enjoyment of both private and public property by all who visit or live in the VDOE.
- 2.5 Provide an ordinance that can be enforced by local police officials.

### **3. ROAD & PARKING REGULATIONS**

- 3.1 The maximum speed limit in the VDOE is 20 mph.
- 3.2 Lower speed limits are suggested in some areas of the VDOE, including, but not limited to, a maximum 15 mph speed from the Eidelweiss Drive/ Winnigon Rd intersection around Little Pea Porridge Pond to Little Loop Rd.
- 3.3 The weight limit for commercial trucks is 13 tons GVWR and all other vehicles will be limited to 8 tons GVWR. When the roads are posted in the spring, the maximum weight for all vehicles will be limited is 5 tons GVWR.
- 3.4 No parking is permitted on the roads between November 1 and April 1.
- 3.5 The Huttwil Parking lot can be used for temporary overnight parking for residents and their guests. No business or commercial vehicles or trailers may be parked in any VDOE parking lot except for the Huttwil parking lot.
- 3.6 Vehicles, Trailers, and recreational vehicles belonging to or used by homeowners of the VDOE and/or their guests may use the Huttwil Lot. The

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VDOE must be notified of any vehicle parked at the lot in excess of 30 consecutive days. This notification must include the vehicle description, license plate, owner's name, and contact information of the owner or a party responsible for the vehicle. Vehicles that have notified the VDOE will be provided with a Notice on VDOE letterhead, which must be placed on the dashboard of the vehicle parked at the Huttwil Lot in an unobstructed and conspicuous location that will display the date and time the vehicle was parked, and the date and time that the vehicle will be removed.

- 3.7 Any vehicle parked at the Huttwil Lot, which has not displayed the Notice mentioned above, may have a tire marked by a crayon as evidence of the length of time the vehicle was parked. This mark's location will be recorded by an authorized member of the VDOE or any Madison Police Officer. Use of the Huttwil lot is considered as consent to a tire being marked.
- 3.8 Vehicles parked at the Huttwil Lot in excess of 30 consecutive days without notifying the VDOE will be subject to removal and enforcement of Abandoned Vehicles, NH RSA 262:40-c.
- 3.9 Use of the Huttwil Lot or parking anywhere in the VDOE is considered solely at the owner's risk.
- 3.10 Any vehicle, regardless of notification with VDOE obtained prior to, may be moved or removed in case of an emergency as determined by the Fire Chief, Police Chief, Emergency Management Director, or Commissioners of the VDOE. Such removal will be at the owner's expense.
- 3.11 No steel-tracked vehicles are allowed on VDOE roads.
- 3.12 To control speed and reduce the danger to pedestrians, traffic speed bumps may be utilized in selected locations in the VDOE. Speed bumps will be utilized no earlier than 1 May and removed no later than 1 November each year.
- 3.13 Speed bumps will be installed on Eidelweiss Drive to control speed and traffic in the area of Boulder Beach and the Playground on Eidelweiss Drive. Cautionary signs will be posted to notify the use of speed bumps and a sign suggesting a 5 MPH speed limit.

#### **4. ENFORCEMENT**

This ordinance is enforceable by any legally appointed law enforcement officer.

#### **5. PENALTY**

- 5.1 Any person who violates this regulation shall be deemed to have violated an Ordinance of the VDOE and may be punished by a fine for each violation as

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permitted by NH RSA 47:17.

- 5.2 For parking offenses, the fine shall be \$100.
- 5.3 The fine for using steel-tracked vehicles on VDOE roads shall be \$100 for each offense.
- 5.4 For overweight trucks the fine shall be \$500 for the first offense with a fine of \$1,000 for any subsequent offense.

## **6. AMENDMENTS**

- 6.1 The VDOE Board of Commissioners may not amend this ordinance.
- 6.2 This ordinance, if adopted, will replace the current “Highway and Parking Ordinance” in its entirety.

## **7. MONETARY ALLOCATION**

- 7.1 The VDOE will allocate \$200 to be paid from the Unassigned Fund Balance toward new road & parking signage as needed.

Adopted March 11, 2023, at the Annual Meeting by the Legislative Body