

VLCT MODEL ORDINANCE

Town of Grafton

SPEED LIMITS ON PAVED TOWN ROADS

ARTICLE 1. AUTHORITY. The Selectboard of the Town of Grafton under authority granted by 24 V.S.A. § 2291(4) and 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59 adopts this ordinance.

ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE. The purpose of this ordinance is to promote public health and safety by establishing safe speed limits on all paved town highways in the Town of Grafton.

ARTICLE 3. SPEED REGULATIONS. Based on a traffic and engineering study, the following speed limits are hereby established:

- T.H. 2 Townshend Road – a maximum speed of 50 mph from the Townshend town line north to the southern end of the Grafton Pond Meadow.
- T.H. 2 Townshend Road – a maximum speed of 40 mph from the southern end of the Grafton Pond meadow to the northern end of same meadow.
- T.H. 2 Townshend Road – a maximum speed of 25 mph from the northern end of the Grafton Pond meadow to the Main Street intersection.
- T.H. 3 Chester Road – a maximum speed of 30 mph from the Main Street intersection north to the crest of the hill.
- T.H. 3 Chester Road – a maximum speed of 40 mph from the crest of the hill to Wright Orchard Road.
- T.H. 3 Chester Road – a maximum speed of 50 mph from Wright Orchard Road to the Grafton/Chester town line.
- T.H. 1 Route 121 – a maximum speed of 25 mph all of Main Street to the Fire Department.
- T.H. 1 Route 121 – a maximum speed of 40 mph from Fire Department to the Grafton/Cambridgeport town line.

The above speed limits shall be posted in accordance with standards set forth in the *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices*.

ARTICLE 4. PENALTIES.

- A. This shall be a civil ordinance, which shall be enforced in accordance with the provisions of 24 V.S.A. §§ 1974a and 1977 et seq., as amended, or through any Vermont court having proper jurisdiction.
- B. The penalty for violation of any of the above speed limits shall be that set by the Schedule of Fines established by the State of Vermont.

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ARTICLE 5. ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS. Properly qualified and certified Law Enforcement Officers in the State of Vermont may enforce this ordinance.

ARTICLE 6. SEVERABILITY. If any portion of this ordinance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.

ARTICLE 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Grafton Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A. § 1973, that statute shall govern the effective date.

Ray Ferguson
Shirley Board
Clara Gavers
Joe Thibault

date

Signatures of Selectboard members

Adoption History

1. Agenda item at regular selectboard meeting held on 11/9/2009.
2. Read and approved at regular selectboard meeting on 11/9/2009 and entered in the minutes of that meeting, which were approved on 11/23/2009.
3. Posted in public places on 11/12/2009.
4. Notice of adoption published in the Shopper Newspaper on the week of 11/18/2009 with a notice of the right to petition.
5. Other actions.