

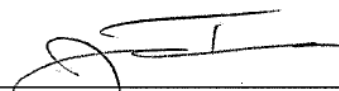
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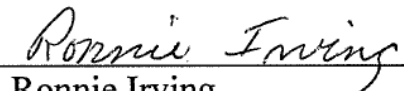
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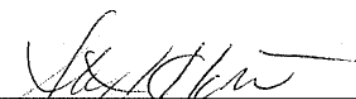


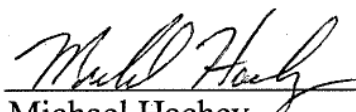
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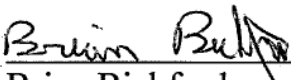
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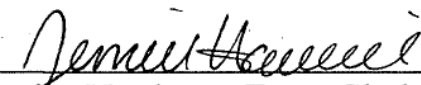
  
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# Traffic Control, Parking and Pedestrian Safety Ordinance

## SECTION 1: General

It is incumbent upon every Town to provide safe and secure “traffic control, parking and pedestrian safety” for all their citizens. The Town holds a public trust to take the necessary steps to prevent or reduce death, injury or damage to property.

## SECTION 2: Federal Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

The current edition of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) is adopted as the standard for all traffic control devices on public ways in the Town of Clinton.

## SECTION 3: Authority to Regulate Traffic on Town ways.

Title 30-A M.R.S. 3009 authorizes the Town of Clinton to enact ordinances for traffic regulation includes the power to erect yield signs, stop signs and other traffic control devices; to designate ways and portions of ways as being closed to through trucks and/or weight limits; and to designate which roads are one-way or two-way. It also includes control of pedestrian traffic on the public ways, and the placement of crosswalks.

## SECTION 4: Traffic Infractions.

Any violation of this ordinance IS A TRAFFIC INFRACTION WITHIN THE MEANING OF 29-A M.R.S.A. 101 (85). Any person who violates a provision of this ordinance shall be subject to the civil penalties provided under 29-A M.R.S.A. 103 and/or otherwise provided by statute or Section 28 of this ordinance.

## SECTION 5: Definitions.

Unless otherwise provided in this ordinance, terms used in this ordinance shall have the same meanings and definitions used under Title 29-A of the Maine Revised Statutes.

## SECTION 6: Designation of Traffic Control Devices, Signs, and Crosswalks.

Traffic control devices and pedestrian crosswalks, as referenced under Chapter 19 of Title 29-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, are designated by the Municipal Officers of the Town of Clinton as follows:

6.01 Schedule of STOP Signs. STOP signs shall be placed at the following locations:

1. Baker Street SE at Main Street.
2. Battle Ridge Road W at Hinckley Road.
3. Beaudoin Road NW at Mutton Lane.
4. Bellsqueeze Road NE at Hinckley Road.

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5. Bellsqueeze Road SW at Hinckley Road.
6. Bellsqueeze Road N at Battle Ridge Road.
7. Bush Road S at Johnson Flat Road.
8. Church Street S at Main Street.
9. Church Street W at Railroad Street.
10. Cindy Blodgett Drive E at Silver Street.
11. Cindy Blodgett Drive W at Morrison Avenue.
12. Dean Road W at Hill Road.
13. Dixon Road S at Hinckley Road.
14. Gibson Road NE at Hinckley Road.
15. Goodale road E at Railroad Street.
16. Goodrich Road W at Battle Ridge Road.
17. Goodrich Road E at Hill Road.
18. Gustafson Road SW at Hinkley Road.
19. Gustafson Road N at Canaan Road.
20. High Street N at Baker Street.
21. Hinckley Road NW at Canaan Road.
22. Hillcrest Drive NW at Battle Ridge Road.
23. Holt Road N at Main Street.
24. Horseback Road W at Hill Road.
25. 1-95 N Exit 138 Ramp westerly on to Hinckley Road.
26. 1-95 S Exit 138 Ramp easterly on to Hinckley Road.
27. Lamb Avenue E at Railroad Street.
28. Lamb Avenue W at Spring Street.
29. McCallister Road SE at Bangor Road.
30. McKenney Road E at Hill Road.
31. McNally Road NW at Main Street.
32. Morrison Avenue SW at Railroad Street.
33. Morrison Avenue S at Main Street.
34. Mutton Lane S at Railroad Street.
35. Mutton Lane N at Johnson Flat Road.
36. Old Leonard Wood Road N at Bangor Road.
37. Pearl Street W at Pleasant Street.
38. Pease Road S at Johnson Flat Road.
39. Peavey Road SE at Tardiff Road.
40. Peavey Road W at River Road.
41. Pishon Ferry Road W at River Road.
42. Pishon Ferry Road SW at Canaan Road.
43. Pleasant Street N at Main Street.
44. Railroad Street S at Main Street.
45. River Road S at Canaan Road.
46. River Road N at Canaan Road.
47. Rogers Road W at Hill Road.

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48. Rogers Road E at Horse Back Road.
49. Seabastcook Drive W at Pleasant Street.
50. Silver Street S at Main Street.
51. Spring Street S at Main Street.
52. Tardiff Road SW at River Road.
53. Tardiff Road E at Hinckley Road.
54. True Road S at Hinckley Road.
55. Victor Lane S at Hill Road.
56. Water Street SW at Pleasant Street.
57. Water Street N at Main Street.
58. Winn Avenue E at Morrison Avenue.
59. Winn Avenue W at Railroad Street.
60. Wright Road E at Horseback Road.

6.02 Schedule of Yield Signs. Yield signs shall be placed at the following locations:

1. 1-95 N 138 Exit Ramp easterly on to Hinckley Road.
2. 1-95 S 138 Exit Ramp westerly on to Hinckley Road.
3. Johnson Flat Road SE at Horseback Road.
4. Johnson Flat Road SW at Horseback Road

6.03 Pedestrian Crosswalks. Crosswalks shall be provided at the following locations:

1. Spring Street at Main Street.
2. Lamb Avenue at Spring Street.
3. Winn Avenue at Railroad Street.
4. Railroad Street at Lamb Avenue.
5. Lamb Avenue at Railroad Street.
6. Railroad Street at Church Street.
7. Church Street at Railroad Street.
8. Railroad Street at the Post Office.
9. Railroad Street at Main Street.
10. Morrison Avenue at Main Street.
11. Morrison Avenue at the Elementary School.
12. Cindy Blodgett Drive at Morrison Avenue.

6.04 No Through Truck Traffic: Road designations with signs shall be placed at each end of the road within town limits for: the Johnson Flat Road.

### SECTION 7: Stopping at Intersections, Hydrants.

No vehicle shall stop or stand within the intersection of any streets or within ten (10) feet of a corner, or within ten (10) feet of any hydrant, wherever located, provided, however, that the foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply to the United States Mail, emergency, and public utility vehicles on duty.

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The exception is the intersection of Main Street, Railroad Street and/or Pleasant Street. There will be no parking within twenty (20) feet of intersection of Railroad Street and Main Street on Railroad Street and on Main Street. On the northeast side of Main Street/ Pleasant Street intersection, there will be no parking within thirty (30) feet.

### SECTION 8: Parking to Obstruct Traffic, Block Driveways: Removal Authorized.

The parking of a motor vehicle in such a manner as to obstruct traffic or block a driveway or sidewalk is prohibited. Such cars may be removed in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

### SECTION 9: Obstructing Traffic Flow

#### a. Failure to Obtain Snow Tires and Chains.

Between the dates of December 1 and April 1 annually, it shall be unlawful and a violation of the provisions of this section for any person to cause an obstruction to traffic by reason of inability to move a vehicle being operated by him or her.

#### b. Plowing Snow Across Town Right-of-Way.

Per State law (29-A M.R.S. 2396), persons may not place and allow vehicles to remain in a Town Right-of-Way, nor allow plowing snow or slush into or across a right of way from private, commercial, or agricultural property. Fines for violation of this section shall be (a) written Warning for the first incident, and (b) a \$ 100.00 fine per incident thereafter payable to the Town of Clinton and receipted at the Town Office.

### SECTION 10: Stopping Near Curb Required.

Unless in an emergency, or to allow another vehicle or pedestrian to cross in its way, any vehicle stopping in a public street must be within twelve (12) inches of the curb or edge of roadway. This section shall not apply to United States Mail and emergency or public utility vehicles on duty.

### SECTION 11: Sidewalks and Pedestrian Safety.

a. Pedestrians are required to use sidewalks wherever available. Where sidewalks are provided, it shall be unlawful for any pedestrian to walk along and upon an adjacent roadway.

b. New construction or reconstruction of sidewalks and summer and winter maintenance shall be guided by the federal American Disabilities Act (ADA) — Title II

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### SECTION 12: Walking On Highway in Absence of Sidewalks.

Where sidewalks are not provided, any pedestrian along and upon the highway shall, when practicable, walk only on the left side of the roadway or its shoulder facing traffic which may approach from the opposite direction.

### SECTION 13: Right-of-Way.

a. All pedestrians using the crosswalks in the Town, which are painted and posted by legal highway signs, shall have the right-of-way over oncoming traffic. The driver of a vehicle shall yield right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be so as to yield to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling, or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger, but no pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield.

b. The Town grants permission for residents to place a mailbox, which is their personal property, in the town's right-of-way adjacent to or across the street from the resident's property. The Town assumes no responsibility for resident's personal property. The Town, Snow Removal Contractor, or Highway Maintenance Contractor has no liability to replace or repair such personal property.

### SECTION: 14: Manner of Crossing Roadway.

No pedestrian shall cross a roadway by any other route than at right angles to the curb or by the shortest route to the opposite curb.

### SECTION 15: Parking in Excess of Seventy-Two Hours, Notice to Move, and Removal.

It shall be unlawful to leave a vehicle in a designated parking space or lot for a period in excess of seventy-two (72) hours. If a vehicle is parked in violation, a notice shall be placed on the windshield of such vehicle ordering its removal within twenty-four (24) hours.

### SECTION 16: Parking Not to Hinder Snow Removal - (See Section 26.01 — Civil Penalties)

a. No person shall park or permit a vehicle to remain parked in any street of the Town from November 1 thru April 1, so as to interfere with or hinder snow removal or snow plowing operations. (Title 29-A M.R.S., Subchapter: 3 Protection of Ways, 2396)

b. Overnight parking on any street within the Village District from November 1st thru April 1st is forbidden.

### SECTION 17: Parking Close to Fires.

No person shall park a vehicle, with or without occupants, other than a fire department or police department vehicle or ambulance, on a public highway within one hundred (100) yards of a fire in which fire department personnel are engaged.

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If a vehicle parks more than one hundred (100) yards from a fire and within one-quarter (1/4) mile thereof, it shall park on the same side of the highway as the fire, and parallel with and within twelve (12) inches of the curb or edge of the highway.

SECTION 18 : No Parking Zones: It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle in a designated no parking zone.

18.01 No Parking Zones in the Town of Clinton are as follows:

1. On any street within ten (10) feet of its intersection with another street. See (20) feet exception Section 7. of this document.
2. On any street or highway within twenty-five (25) feet of the nearest railroad crossing.
3. On the 1-95 Overpass on Hill Road and Mutton Lane.
4. Within ten (10) feet of any fire hydrant wherever located.
5. On the north side of Church Street.
6. In front of Bay doors of any Public Safety Building.
7. On the northeast side of Main Street with the intersection of Pleasant Street. No parking zone of thirty (30) feet from the intersection.
8. On the west side of Morrison Avenue, a no parking zone will be established across the street from Clinton Elementary School at all times.

SECTION 19: Parking Restrictions Zones - (See Section 28.01 — Civil Penalties)

19.01 No person shall park a motor vehicle on the east side of Railroad Street in front of the post office for a period longer than twenty (20) minutes between the hours 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday and 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Saturday.

19.02 The four parking spaces on Main Street East of Railroad Street intersection between the signs are for cars only. No Trucks, SUVs or Passenger Vans are allowed.

19.03 No person shall park a motor vehicle on the west side of Railroad Street from Main Street to Lamb Street for a period longer than two hours between the hours 8:00 AM to 5 PM Monday through Friday.

19.04 There shall be no overnight parking at the Town Office or any Town owned property parking lot. Vehicles will be towed at the discretion of the Clinton Police Department.

19.05 There shall be no parking allowed on a sidewalk. See Civil Penalty Section of this document.

SECTION 20: Parking of Disabled, Unregistered and/or Uninspected Vehicles and Motorcycles.

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No person shall allow a disabled, unregistered and/or uninspected motor vehicle or motorcycle or any part thereof of said vehicle or cycle to be parked upon public property for a period of longer than seventy-two (72) hours. Exceptions may be made upon securing a written permit from the Chief of Police. Said permit shall grant owner, for a one-time basis only, an extension of the seventy-two (72) hour period for an additional seventy-two (72) hours. A separate permit must be obtained for each individual vehicle or motorcycle and shall cost \$10.00 and must be paid to the Town Office.

### SECTION 21: Removal of Violating Vehicles.

1. Any vehicle, of any kind or description, parked upon a public street of the Town at a place, in a manner, or for a length of time prohibited by an ordinance of the Town, or so as to impede the Town's snow removal operations or traffic in the public street, is hereby declared to be an obstruction in such street and a menace to the safe and proper regulation of traffic.
2. Any vehicle parked in such manner, as described in this section, may be removed by and under the direction of, or at the request of the Chief of Police, the senior police officer in charge of any shift, or the Road Commissioner, to a garage or storage place within a twenty (20) mile limit of the municipal boundary of the Town and impounded therein.
3. Any person named in subsection 21.2 above may employ any reputable person, engaged in the business of towing and storing of vehicles, for such purpose.
4. Notwithstanding any language herein contained, the removal and storage of a vehicle, pursuant to this section, and the payment of the charges specified in this ordinance, shall in no way relieve or prevent prosecution for violation of any provisions of the ordinances of the Town.

### SECTION 22: Notification of Impoundment; Recover Procedure.

The Police Department shall make every effort to notify, as promptly as possible, the owner of any vehicle of its removal from the streets of the Town. Before the owner of an impounded vehicle may remove it from the possession of the person towing or storing it, they shall:

1. Furnish satisfactory evidence of his / her identity and all of his ownership of such vehicle to the Police Department and pay the established charges for towing and storage and the fine to the Town Office.
2. The Town Office shall provide a receipt for the amount of the fine to be taken to the towing company for release of the vehicle.

### SECTION 23: Handicapped Parking Area.

It shall be unlawful to park a vehicle in any parking space designated as reserved for the handicapped, by symbol or otherwise as provided by 30-A M.R.S.A. 3009 (I)(D), unless the vehicle has affixed thereon license plates or handicapped tag identifying the registered owner as a handicapped person.

**SECTION 24: Designated Parking Spaces Reserved for the Handicapped on Publicly Owned Property.**

24.01 The following parking spaces are designated for exclusive use of handicapped persons pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. 3009:

1. Two parking spaces at the main entrance of the Town Office Building - Baker Street
2. One parking space at the Fire Station, which will become the Police Department in the year 2026 — Church Street
3. One parking space at the Old Mill Park - Main Street
4. One parking space at the Post Office - Railroad Street
5. Two parking spaces at the Clinton Elementary School - Morrison Avenue
6. One parking space at new Fire Station - Baker Street

**SECTION 25: Evidence of Unlawful Parking.**

Wherever, in this Ordinance, it is provided that it shall be unlawful for a person to park a vehicle or motorcycle, the fact that a vehicle or motorcycle is unlawfully parked shall be prima facie evidence of the unlawful parking of such vehicle or motorcycle by the person in whose name such vehicle is registered.

**SECTION 26: Regulation of "Through" Truck Traffic.**

It shall be unlawful for any truck (as defined below) to travel upon a designated Town road unless the vehicle trip originates or ends upon such road or is made for the purpose of making a delivery to a site on such road.

"Truck" means any vehicle used for hauling or carrying a load where the overall length is over thirty (30) feet and the vehicle has more than six (6) wheels, and specifically includes tractors pulling trailers whether loaded or unloaded.

**SECTION 27: Waiver of Court Action, Fee Schedule.**

Any person charged with a violation of any provision of this Ordinance may waive court action by payment of a civil penalty as provided in Section 28.01 to the Town Office within thirty (30) days of the violation.

27.01 The Chief of Police shall design and require use of a standard form parking ticket that provides notice to the person in violation, of the following:

1. The time, date, and place of violation.
2. The license plate number, vehicle identification number, and description of the vehicle.

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3. The nature of the violation, referencing the Town of Clinton Traffic Control and Parking Ordinance Section number.
4. The opportunity to waive all court action by payment of the civil penalty within thirty (30) days of the violation.
5. The amount of the civil penalty for the current violation—both the waiver fine and non-waiver fine amounts
6. The place where the civil penalty may be paid.

SECTION 28: Civil Penalty.

28.01 Civil Penalties ("Waiver Fine") - The civil penalty for violation of this Ordinance, relating to waiver of court action by the offender, shall be as follows:

1. Unlawfully parked	\$50.00
2. Handicap parking violation	\$200.00
3. Overtime/Overnight parking	\$50.00
4. Parking in prohibited area	\$50.00
5. Left side to curb	\$50.00
6. Blocking/obstructing entrance to public way	\$ 50.00
7. Blocking sidewalk	\$50.00
8. Parking in crosswalk	\$50.00
9. Parking on a sidewalk	\$50.00
10. Obstructing a street	\$50.00
11. Double parking	\$50.00
12. Plowing Snow in travel way & Right-of-Way	\$100.00
13. Parking within Restricted Zones	\$50.00
14. Parking within 10 feet of a fire hydrant	\$50.00
15. No Through Truck Travel violation	\$ 650.00

Fines for violation of this Ordinance shall be payable to the Town of Clinton and receipted at the Town Office.

28.02 Civil Penalties ("Non-Waiver Fine") The civil penalty for violation of this Ordinance that is imposed when there is non-payment of the applicable "waiver fine" within thirty (30) days of the violation shall be double (100% greater than) the civil penalty ("waiver fine") amount specified in the above section 28.01.

SECTION 29: Administration and Enforcement.

This Ordinance shall be administered by the municipal officers (Board of Selectmen) and enforced by the Police Department. A violation of this Ordinance shall be a traffic infraction, which shall be prosecuted by legal action filed in the Maine District Court at Waterville, Maine if necessary.

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### SECTION 30: Amendments.

This Ordinance may be amended by the municipal officers (Selectboard) at any properly noticed meeting.

### SECTION 31: Supersession/Repeal.

This ordinance supersedes and repeals Parking Ordinance-Town of Clinton adopted November 26, 2013, as amended. Also repealed are all other ordinances that are specifically written for traffic and parking on town ways.

### SECTION 32: Severability and Effective Date.

In the event that any provision or section of this ordinance is declared by a court to be unenforceable, the remaining provisions or sections continue in full force and effect. This ordinance shall become effective ten days (10) days after adoption by a majority of the Municipal Officers (Selectboard).