



Town of Georgia

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PUBLIC NOTICE **January 8, 2023**

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Georgia under the provisions of 24 V.S.A. §1972, by its affirmative action, does hereby amend the **MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDINANCE**, as follows,

Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulation Ordinance:

The Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulation Ordinance is a civil ordinance and establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Georgia, Vermont. Such regulations include traffic control devices, speed regulations, parking regulations, and procedures for loaded and overweight vehicles.

Any interested person as defined in 24 V.S.A. shall have the right to petition pursuant to 24 V.S.A. §1973 for a vote on the amended ordinance at a special or annual Town Meeting to disapprove ordinance amendments adopted by the Selectboard. To exercise this right, citizens must present to the Selectboard or the Town Clerk a petition for a vote on the question of disapproving the amendments signed by not less than five percent (5%) of the Town's qualified voters. If no petition is filed within 44 days of the date the Selectboard amended, the ordinance shall become effective upon the passage of sixty (60) days from the date of the amendment.

The full text of the Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulation Ordinance can be examined at the Town of Georgia Offices. Questions and comments can be directed to Cheryl Letourneau, Town Administrator, Town of Georgia Offices, 47 Town Common Road North, Georgia, Vermont. Phone 802-524-3524 and website www.townofgeorgia.com.

Signed: Cheryl Letourneau January 13, 2024

Cheryl Letourneau, Town Administrator

Effective date of ordinance amendment: February 20, 2024

**TOWN OF GEORGIA
MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDINANCE**

WE, THE SELECTBOARD OF THE TOWN OF GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAIN:

The Town of Georgia Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulation Ordinance is hereby amended as follows:

**ARTICLE I
DEFINITIONS**

The definitions of 23 V.S.A. §4 are incorporated by reference.

**ARTICLE II
AUTHORITY AND SCOPE:**

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the provisions of 19 V.S.A. §§304(a) and 1110, 23 V.S.A. §§1007 and 1008 and 24 V.S.A. §§1971 and 2291(1)(4) and (5), and such other general enactments as may be material hereto. This ordinance shall be a civil ordinance and establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Georgia, 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 the prior approval of the Town of Georgia Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE IV
SPEED REGULATIONS**

The following speed limits are hereby established.

Class II Highways

SA 1	Arrowhead Lake Road	35	MPH
SA 2	Plains Road	35	MPH
SA 3	Georgia Middle Road	40	MPH
SA 4	Oakland Station Road	40	MPH
SA 6	Mill River Rd	40	MPH
SA 3 & 5	From Rock Island Dr. to St. Albans line	35	MPH
SA 5	From Rock Island Dr. south to 2201 Georgia Shore Rd	25	MPH
SA 5	From 2201 Georgia Shore Rd., south to the Milton line	35	MPH

Class III Highways

TH	5	Carpenter Hill Road	35	MPH
TH	6	Sandy Birch and Sodom Road	35	MPH
TH	7	Kissane Road	25	MPH
TH	8	Bronson Road	35	MPH
TH	10	Cline Road	35	MPH
TH	11	Falls Road	25	MPH
TH	13	Conger Road	35	MPH
TH	14	Polly Hubbard Road (TH 14 & TH 3)	40	MPH
TH	15	Robert Newton Road & Cary Road	25	MPH
TH	17	Reynolds Road	35	MPH
TH	18	Cadieux Road	35	MPH
TH	20	Bullock Road and Montcalm Rd. (TH 20)	35	MPH
TH	21	Pattee Hill Road	35	MPH
TH	23	Town Common Road S	25	MPH
TH	24	Bovat Road	35	MPH
TH	25	Silver Lake Road	35	MPH
TH	26	Blake road	35	MPH
TH	27	Bradley Hill Road (TH # 27 20 and 32)	35	MPH
TH	28	Decker Road	35	MPH
TH	29	Ballard Road (from rte 7 to rte 7 TH 29 & TH6)	35	MPH
TH	31	Skunk Hill Road (from Rte 7 to Rte 104a)	35	MPH
TH	33	Sand Hill Road	35	MPH
TH	34	Hibbard Road	35	MPH
TH	35	Old Stage Road	35	MPH
TH	36	Georgia Mountain Road	35	MPH
TH	37	Trayah Road	25	MPH
TH	39	Bates Road	25	MPH
TH	40	Sand Hill Extension	35	MPH
TH	41	Connector - Carpenter Hill Oakland Station Roads	35	MPH
TH	43	Stonebridge Road	35	MPH
TH	46	Heritage Drive/Musket Circle	25	MPH
TH	48	Cedarwood Terrace	25	MPH
TH	49	Manor Drive	25	MPH
TH	52	Jed Shepard Road	25	MPH
TH	53	Sunset Circle	25	MPH
TH	54	Fontaine Road	25	MPH
TH	55	Red Barn Hill Road.	25	MPH
TH	56	Rounds Road	25	MPH
TH	57	Meadowridge Lane	25	MPH
TH	58	Rhodeside Acres (TH 58 & TH 62)	25	MPH
TH	59	Nottingham Dr & Robin Lane (TH 59 & 67)	25	MPH
TH	60	Industrial Park	25	MPH
TH	61	Birch Hill Drive	25	MPH
TH	63	Meadowwood Dr	25	MPH
TH	64	Mahalo Drive	25	MPH
TH	65	Ridgeview Dr	25	MPH
TH	66	Ridgeview Dr Ext	25	MPH
TH	68	Fox Haven Ln.	25	MPH
TH	69	Austin Rd	25	MPH
TH	70	Maxfield Rd	25	MPH
TH	71	Waller Road	25	MPH
TH	72	Quarry Rd	25	MPH
TH	73	Gabaree Rd	25	MPH
TH	74	Blatchley Rd	25	MPH
TH	75	Woods Hollow Drive	25	MPH
TH	76	Ledgewood Drive	25	MPH

The above speed limits shall be posted and shall be in effect when so posted.

ARTICLE V

STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

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

- SA 2 Plains Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection Plains Road - Georgia Middle Road intersection
- SA 3 Polly Hubbard Road - Georgia Shore Road intersection
- SA 4 Oakland Station Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection and Rte 104 intersection
- TH 5 Carpenter Hill Road - Oakland Road intersection
Carpenter Hill Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
- SA 6 Mill River Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
Mill River Road - Georgia Shore Road intersection
- TH 6 Sandy Birch Road - Ballard Road intersection
- TH 7 Kissane Road - Georgia Shore Road intersection
- TH 8 Bronson Road - Mill River Road intersection
- TH 10 Cline Road - Georgia Middle Road intersection
Cline Road - Georgia Shore Road intersection
- TH 11 Falls Road - Mill River Road intersection
- TH 13 Conger Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
Conger Road - Oakland Road intersection
- TH 14 Polly Hubbard Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
Polly Hubbard Road - Georgia Shore Road intersection
Polly Hubbard Road - Middle Road intersection
- TH 15 Robert Newton Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
Cary Road - Oakland Road intersection
- TH 17 Reynolds Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
Reynolds Road - Georgia Middle Road intersection
- TH 18 Cadieux Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
- TH 21 Bradley Hill Road - Bullock Road intersection
Pattee Hill Road - Plains Road intersection
- TH 23 Pattee Hill Road - Georgia Middle Road intersection
Town Common N - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
- TH 24 Town Common S- Carpenter Hill Road intersection
- TH 25 Bovat Road - Skunk Hill Road intersection
- TH 27 Silver Lake Road - Skunk Hill Road intersection
Bradley Hill Road - Stonebridge Road intersection
- TH 28 Bradley Hill Road - Bullock Road intersection
Decker Road - Plains Road intersection
- TH 29 Decker Road - Sodom Road intersection
Ballard Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection (both ends)
- TH 31 Sodom Road - Ballard Road intersection
Skunk Hill Road - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
- TH 32 Skunk Hill Road - U.S. Rte 104 A intersection
- TH 33 Bradley Hill Road - Georgia Shore Road intersection
- TH 34 Sand Hill Road - Sodom/Sandy Birch Road intersection
- TH 35 Hibbard Road - Sand Hill Road intersection
- TH 36 Old Stage Road - Ballard Road intersection
Georgia Mountain Road - Arrowhead Lake Road intersection
(2 way at bridge)
- TH 37 Arrowhead Lake Road - U.S. Route 104A intersection (by bridge)
- TH 39 Trayah Road - U.S. Route 104A (2 intersections)
- TH 40 Bates Road - Sodom Road intersection
Connector - Sand Hill/Stonebridge Road (2 intersections)

TH 41 Connector - Carpenter Hill/Oakland Station Road (2 intersections)
 TH 46 Heritage Drive - U.S. Route # 7 intersection Musket Circle - Heritage Drive intersection Heritage Drive -Musket Circle/Meadow Ridge Lane intersection
 TH 48 Cedarwood Terrace - Manor Drive intersection
 TH 49 Manor Drive - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
 Manor Drive - Ballard Road intersection
 TH 52 Jed Shepard Road - U.S. Route 104A intersection
 TH 53 Sunset Circle - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
 TH 54 Fontaine Drive - Ballard Road (2 intersections)
 TH 55 Red Barn Hill Road - Heritage Drive intersection
 TH 56 Rounds Farm - Sandy Birch Road (2 intersections)
 TH 57 Meadow Ridge Lane - red Barn Hill Road intersection
 TH 58 Rhodeside Acres - Stonebridge Road (2 intersections)
 TH 59 Nottingham Dr - Sandy Birch Road intersection
 Nottingham Drive - Robin Lane intersection (2 intersections)
 TH 60 Industrial Park - Skunk Hill Road intersection
 TH 61 Birch Hill Drive - Sandy Birch Road intersection
 TH 63 Meadow Wood Dr - U.S. Route # 7 intersection
 TH 64 Mahalo Drive - Sandy Birch Road,intersection
 TH 68 Fox Haven Ln. - Cline Road
 TH 69 Austin Road - Waller Road intersection (2 intersections)
 TH 70 Maxfield Road to Waller Road
 TH 71 Waller Road - Ballard Road intersection
 Waller Road - Sandy Birch Road intersection
 TH 72 Quarry Road to Mill River Road intersection
 TH 73 Gabaree Road to Waller Road intersection
 TH 74 Blatchley Road - Waller Road intersection
 TH 75 Woods Hollow Drive - Old Stage Road intersection

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

TH 33 Sand Hill Road to Stonebridge Road (3 Intersections)
 TH 43 Traveling north on TH 43 to the intersection of Sand Hill Road (by the bridge)

ARTICLE VI PARKING REGULATIONS

Section 1. No vehicle shall be parked on any public highway in a location or manner that interferes with snow removal or highway maintenance, or creates hazards to the traveling public.

Section 2. Any vehicle parked in violation of the provisions of this Article may be summarily removed at the owner's expense, by order of any law enforcement officer, road commissioner, or selectman.

Section 3. If the owner of a vehicle summarily removed under section 2 hereof does not claim such vehicle and pay all towing and storage expenses within thirty (30) days of the date of such removal, such vehicle may be disposed of in any manner authorized by law.

Section 4. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to make unlawful, vehicular stops in obedience to the direction of a law enforcement officer or for causes beyond the control of the operator.

**ARTICLE VII
LOADED & OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES**

Section 1: 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, sifting, leaking or otherwise escaping therefrom.

Section 2: Any vehicles subject to overweight permit requirements traveling on town highways shall be required to obtain and carry in the vehicle such permits from the Town, annually.

Section 3: A violation of this Article shall be a civil matter enforced in accordance with the provisions of 24 VSA Section 1974a and 1977 et seq. A civil Penalty of \$100.00 may be imposed for the initial violation of this section. The penalty second offense within 6 months shall be \$150.00 and for each subsequent offense within a six month period shall be \$200.00 The waiver penalty shall be set at \$50.00 for the initial offense \$75.00 for the second offense and \$100.00 for each offense thereafter within a six month period. Each day that the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense

**ARTICLE VIII
POSTING TOWN HIGHWAYS**

Section 1. The Selectboard may, by resolution adopted at a meeting of the board, temporarily restrict the use of any town highway to protect the highway from damage. Such restrictions may, in the discretion of the board, limit the weight of vehicles allowed to use the highway or close the highway to motor vehicles.

Section 2. Copies of any resolution adopted by the Selectboard shall be posted in two public locations in the Town within three business days of adoption and shall remain posted until the Selectboard rescinds the resolution.

Section 3. The Selectboard shall post signs informing motor vehicle operators of any restriction imposed on any highway at each end of any highway or portion of a highway that is restricted.

Section 4. A person who violates any restriction imposed on use of a town highway shall be guilty of a traffic offense under 23 V.S.A. chapter 23, for which he or she shall be fined not more than \$100.00, and shall be liable to the Town for all damages to the highway to be recovered in a civil action.

**ARTICLE IX
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Section 1. All terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, or any other unregistered vehicles are prohibited from all Town roads, except Class IV roads and legal trails.

Section 2. Separate Offenses: Each violation of a provision of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 3. Penalties: Except as otherwise provided above, 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 4. Severability: The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provision hereof be adjudged invalid such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

Adopted by the Board of Selectmen, Town of Georgia, Vermont originally on August 10, 2009, and amended at its meeting held on the 8th day of January, 2024.

Devon Thomas, Chair

Shannon Jenkins

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