



# TOWN OF RANDOLPH, VERMONT

## TRAFFIC, PARKING, AND SPEED ORDINANCE Town of Randolph, Vermont

**Re-Write/Update – v.02; For the Public Hearing on 12/08/2022**

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1007 and 1008, and Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated, sections 1971 and 2291 (1), (4), and (5), and other relevant laws and traffic studies, the Selectboard of the Town of Randolph hereby adopts this Traffic, Parking, and Speed Ordinance for the Town of Randolph, Vermont.

### ARTICLE I – PURPOSE

This ordinance is adopted to promote and protect public safety, health, and general welfare within the Town of Randolph.

This ordinance replaces all ordinances and versions of ordinances previously adopted by the Town of Randolph.

### ARTICLE II – SCOPE

The ordinance establishes special traffic and parking regulations on public streets and roads within the Town of Randolph, Vermont.

### ARTICLE III – TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AND SIGNS

#### *Section 1. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE OBEYANCE*

It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the direction of a traffic control device or sign except in response to the direction of a law enforcement officer or municipal or municipally-authorized personnel.

#### *Section 2. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE REMOVAL, OBSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, AND DEFACEMENT*

It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally remove, injure, obstruct, deface, alter or tamper with any traffic control device and/or sign.

#### *Section 3. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE INSTALLATION AND TOWN APPROVAL*

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 prior approval of the Town of Randolph.

48 **ARTICLE IV – SPEED LIMITS**

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50 On the basis of engineering and traffic studies, and within the interest of public safety, health, and  
51 welfare, the following speed limits are hereby established.

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53 *Section 1. SPEED LIMITS – 40 MPH*

54 The following roads shall have speed limits of forty (40) miles per hour (MPH):  
55 East Bethel Road (SA #2); paved portion of Chelsea Mountain Road (SA #3); Ridge Road (SA #1);  
56 Windover Road (SA #6).

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58 *Section 2. DEFAULT SPEED LIMITS (POLICE DISTRICT)*

59 Speed limits on **all** streets within the Police District, unless otherwise indicated in Article IV, shall be  
60 posted at twenty-five (25) miles per hour (MPH).

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62 *Section 3. DEFAULT SPEED LIMITS (GRAVEL ROADS AND NON-POLICE DISTRICT STREETS)*

63 All roads or road sections not identified in Sections 1, 2, or 4, shall be posted at thirty-five (35) miles  
64 per hour (MPH). Specifically, speed limits on all gravel roads shall be posted at thirty-five (35) miles  
65 per hour (MPH).

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67 *Section 4. ADDITIONAL 25 MPH ZONES*

68 The following sections of the listed streets and roads shall be posted as follows:

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70 That portion of Hebard Hill Road (TH26), from the Intersection of Vermont Route 66 to Town  
71 Highway Bridge 19 crossing Adams Brook, shall be posted at twenty-five (25) miles per hour (MPH).

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73 *Section 5. SPEED LIMIT SIGNS*

74 Speed limits shall be posted in accordance with the standards set forth in the Manual of Uniform  
75 Traffic Control Devices and shall be in effect when so posted.

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77 **ARTICLE V – PARKING AND LOADING REGULATIONS**

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79 Parking and loading regulations in the Police District of Randolph shall be as follows:

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81 *Section 1. TIME-LIMITED PARKING*

82 There shall be a two-hour parking limit on Main Street in the downtown, extending between Weston  
83 Street and Pleasant Street, Pleasant Street extending from Main Street to Merchants Row, Merchants  
84 Row, Salisbury Street to the municipal parking lot. Parking hours will be between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30  
85 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Sundays and holidays are excluded. Parking area restrictions shall  
86 be indicated by appropriate signs. The two-hour limit area is shown in Appendix A.

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88 *Section 2. LOADING ZONES*

89 A. Loading zones as established in Section 2.B, shall be appropriately marked with signs and/or  
90 striped pavement indicating limits.

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92 B. The following have been established as loading zones, and may be changed from time-to-time by  
93 the Selectboard:

- a. Pleasant Street, directly across from the loading dock attached to the rear of the building at 11 North Main Street.
- b. Main Street, at the entrance to Merchants Row on both sides of the street.

*Section 3. NO PARKING ZONES.*

A. Certain other portions of the pavement adjacent to the curb may be striped to indicate, “no parking” as a means to improve lines-of-sight near intersections or to improve traffic flow on both sides of a street. Parking in a crosswalk or areas that are striped with yellow markings or signs is prohibited.

B. The curb on the eastern side of Pleasant Street from 22 Pleasant Street to the intersection with Randolph Avenue shall be designated as a, “No Parking/Tow Away Zone.”

*Section 4. OVERNIGHT PARKING*

A. Overnight parking in municipal parking lots is permitted; however, vehicles that remain stationary for a period of two weeks hindering snow plowing or snow removal in municipal parking lots will be towed at the owner’s expense.

B. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on any street or to block any sidewalk within the Police District which in any way interferes with the prompt snow plowing and orderly removal of snow or ice. This parking ban shall be effective between the hours of 11:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. beginning on November 1<sup>st</sup> and extending through March 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. Signs warning of the parking ban shall be placed on all entry highways to the Police District prior to November 1<sup>st</sup> and shall be removed after April 1<sup>st</sup>. Designated municipal or law enforcement personnel shall make an attempt to contact the vehicle owner so snow removal and plowing are not compromised. If the owner cannot be contacted or refuses to move the vehicle the Town is authorized to have the vehicle towed at the owner’s expense.

C. After the initial attempt at making contact described in subsection B, the Town may, at its sole discretion, have a vehicle habitually or consistently parked in violation of this section of the ordinance towed for the remainder of the parking ban season without contacting the owner. Vehicles towed will be at the owner’s expense.

*Section 5. VEHICLE MAINTENANCE PROHIBITED*

Vehicle maintenance activities in municipal parking lots, on public streets and roads, or at any Town-owned property, are prohibited with the exception of emergency situations. Examples of emergency situations include, but are in no way limited to, the following: dead batteries, flat tires, overheated vehicles, and running out of gas. Vehicle maintenance activities required in response to an emergency situation are limited in scope and duration to the minimum amount of time necessary for a vehicle to be moved from the prohibited areas listed.

*Section 6. UNREGISTERED VEHICLES.*

Vehicles and/or trailers that remain unregistered and parked in municipal parking lots, on public streets and roads, or at any Town-owned property may also be towed at the owner’s expense when the owner has no intention of registering the vehicle, or the owner has not attempted to register the vehicle after a warning.

140 *Section 7. COMMERCIAL AND PERSONAL VEHICLES – HEAVY-DUTY*  
141 Any commercial vehicle, personal vehicle, or trailer used for activities including, but not limited to,  
142 hauling, towing, moving, delivery, and similar heavy-duty uses are prohibited from parking overnight  
143 in municipal parking lots, on public streets and roads, or at any Town-owned property. A vehicle  
144 shall not extend into or over the travel portion of any Town street, road, or sidewalk.

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146 *Section 8. DESIGNATED PARKING – LIBRARY PATRONS*  
147 The Town may designate as many as three spaces adjacent to the Kimball Public Library property for  
148 the time-limited use of patrons only during the following days and times: Monday through Friday,  
149 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The designated spaces will be marked with appropriate signage. Patron  
150 parking will be limited to 30 minutes at a time per space.

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152 **ARTICLE VI – STOP SIGNS**

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154 *Section 1. STOP SIGNS*

155 All vehicles and other forms of common conveyance shall come to a full stop at any municipally-  
156 erected stop sign. Operators of vehicles and other forms of conveyance shall not proceed from the  
157 stop position until the street or road being entered is safe and clear enough to proceed.

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159 *Section 2. STOP SIGNS – HIGH PRIORITY SAFETY ZONES*

160 In recognition of the safety and usage conditions present at the following intersections, the stop signs  
161 listed will be considered, “high priority” and subject to more regular monitoring and enforcement  
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164 a. At all four directional stops at the intersections of Central Street, Elm Street, and Forest  
165 Street.  
166 b. Both stop signs on Park Street at the intersection with Central Street and Main Street.  
167 c. On Pleasant Street, at the intersection with Main Street.

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169 *Section 3 – YIELD SIGNS*

170 All vehicles and other forms of common conveyance shall yield to all traffic at any municipally-  
171 erected yield sign. Operators of vehicles or other forms of conveyance shall make certain that the  
172 roadway being entered is clear of all motor vehicles, bicycles, and/or pedestrians before entering any  
173 street or road.

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175 **ARTICLE VII – TRACTOR-TRAILER TRAVEL PROHIBITIONS**

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177 *Section 1. PROHIBITED AREAS*

178 Tractor-trailer trucks are prohibited from traveling on the following streets or roads at all times,  
179 unless otherwise permitted due to temporary construction detours or closures, public safety incidents,  
180 weather, and only after authorization has been provided by the Town:

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182 a. Highland Avenue, between the intersection with Main Street and the intersection with  
183 Pleasant Street.  
184 b. Maple Street, between the intersection with Main Street and the intersection with Pleasant  
185 Street. This does not include trucks using Maple Street to access Gifford Medical Center.

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**ARTICLE VIII – PENALTIES, ENFORCEMENT, AND APPEALS**

*Section 1. PENALTY*

A. Penalties for violations of the Randolph Traffic, Parking and Speed Ordinance shall be administered in accordance with Vermont Statutes Annotated and through the Vermont Judicial Bureau and/or any other relevant and appropriate legal entity.

B. The table shows the fines per offense. The number of offenses is per year, with the year beginning and ending on the date of the first offense.

<b>FINES FOR VIOLATIONS</b>	
<i>Offense</i>	<i>Fine Amount</i>
First (initial)	\$25.00
Second	\$50.00
Third	\$75.00
Fourth and subsequent	\$100.00

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<b>FINES FOR VIOLATIONS OF ARTICLES IV AND VI</b>
<u><i>The fines/penalties for speeding violations will initially be determined by the enforcement officer in accordance with any and all applicable statutory or other guidance provided by the State of Vermont.</i></u>

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*Section 2. ENFORCEMENT*

All provisions of the ordinance may be enforced by law enforcement personnel designated by the Town of Randolph, including but not limited to: municipal police, the Orange County Sheriff’s Department, or other law enforcement personnel with which the Town contracts for law enforcement services.

*Section 3. APPEALS.*

Appeals may be filed in accordance with, and subject to, State statute and/or the rules and regulations of the Judicial Bureau and/or Court.

**ARTICLE IV – GENERAL PROVISIONS**

*Section 1. SEPARATE OFFENSES*

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

*Section 2. PENALTIES*

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 3. SEVERABILITY*

220 The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provision hereof be adjudged  
221 invalid such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

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223 *Section 4. DESIGNATION*

224 The ordinance may be referred to as the Traffic, Parking and Speed Ordinance and in a prosecution  
225 hereunder a copy of such ordinance, certified by the Town Clerk, shall be prima facie evidence  
226 thereof. An allegation that the act constituting the offense charged is contrary to a specified provision  
227 of this ordinance shall be a sufficient reference hereto.

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229 *Section 5. REPEAL OF PRIOR ORDINANCES*

230 Any other ordinance or traffic regulations heretofore adopted by the Town of Randolph are hereby  
231 repealed.

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233 **ARTICLE X – ADOPTION**

234 The most recent version of this ordinance was passed and adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of  
235 Randolph, Vermont this day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ 2022.