

# TOWN OF HIGHGATE TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Sections 1007 and 1008, Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Sections 1971 and 2291 and such other general enactments as may be material hereto, it is hereby ordained by the Selectboard of the Town of Highgate that the following Traffic Ordinance is adopted as a civil ordinance for the Town of Highgate, Vermont.

## ARTICLE I    DEFINITIONS

The definitions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 4 are incorporated by reference.

## ARTICLE II    SCOPE

The ordinance establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Highgate, 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 prior approval of the Town of Highgate Selectboard.

## ARTICLE IV    SPEED REGULATIONS

On the basis of engineering and traffic surveys, the following speed limits are hereby established;

<u>ROAD #</u>	<u>ROAD NAME</u>	<u>SPEED LIMIT (MPH)</u>
TH1	CARTER HILL	35 (from a point 1,000 feet east of its intersection with Frontage Road west to its end at US Rte 7)
TH2	GORE	35 (from a point 1,000 feet north of the LaMoille Valley Railroad south to its end at VT Rte 78)
TH5	LAMKIN	35
TH6	BROSSEAU	35 (from a point 4,000 feet east of its intersection with VT Rte 207 west to its end at VT Rte 207)
TH7	ST. ARMAND	35 (from a point 1,000 feet north of the LaMoille Valley Railroad south to its end at VT Rte 78)
TH14	RAINVILLE	35
TH15	SHIPYARD	35
TH16	OLD DOCK	35
TH18	FORTIN	35
TH21	DECATUR	35
TH27	FRONTAGE	35 (from a point one mile south of its intersection with Carter Hill Road north to its intersection with Carter Hill Road)
TH31	CROSS	35
TH42	PARK	35
TH43	LUKE	35
TH44	COOK	35
TH45	MOREY	35
TH47	MACHIA	35
TH56	MAIN	35
TH62	HANNA	35 (from its intersection with the LaMoille Valley Railroad south to its end at VT Rte 78)
TH64	MILL HILL	35
TH66	QUAIL	35

In consideration of neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, the following speed limits are hereby established:

TH3	FRANKLIN	35 (from a point 2,000 feet west of its intersection with VT Rte 78 west to its end at VT Rte 78)
TH8	HUMPHREY	35
TH9	RHEAUME	35
TH10	BALLARD	35
TH11	PARTLOW	35
TH12	ROLLO	35
TH19	LIME KILN	35
TH20	PARENT	35
TH22	TARTE	35
TH23	BOUCHER	35
TH25	BOUCHARD	35
TH29	HAMPAGNA	35
TH30	GAGNE	35
TH32	CASSIDY	35
TH34	DURKEE	35
TH35	MONUMENT	35
TH38	WAUGH FARM	35
TH39	COUNTRY CLUB	35
TH49	CHILDS	35
TH50	DUNTON	35
TH51	JONES	35
TH53	RICE HILL	35
TH55	PLATT	35
TH60	LACKEY	35
TH65	CHRISTOLINI	35

The above speed limits shall be posted in accordance with the standards set forth in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and shall be in effect when so posted. Roads not otherwise posted shall be limited to 50 mph.

# ARTICLE V

# STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

## Section 1

The following intersections shall be designated as **STOP** intersections, and shall be so signed.

<u>ROAD #</u>	<u>INTERSECTION</u>
TH1	CARTER HILL X US Rte 7
TH1	CARTER HILL X FRONTAGE
TH1	CARTER HILL X VT Rte 78
TH2	GORE X VT Rte 78
TH5	LAMKIN X MILL HILL
TH5	LAMKIN X VT Rte 78
TH6	BROSSEAU X MOREY
TH6	BROSSEAU X VT Rte 207
TH7	ST. ARMAND X VT Rte 78
TH7	ST. ARMAND X US Rte 7
TH8	HUMPHREY X US Rte 7
TH9	RHEAUME X US Rte 7
TH10	BALLARD X ST. ARMAND
TH11	PARTLOW X BALLARD
TH12	ROLLO X ST. ARMAND
TH15	SHIPYARD BAY X US Rte 7
TH15	SHIPYARD BAY X OLD DOCK
TH18	FORTIN X CARTER HILL
TH19	LIME KILN X CARTER HILL
TH21	DECATUR X VT Rte 78
TH 21	DECATUR X LAMKIN
TH22	TARTE X GORE
TH22	TARTE X GORE
TH23	BOUCHER X TARTE
TH23	BOUCHER X GORE
TH25	BOUCHARD X CASSIDY

TH27	FRONTAGE X CARTER HIL L
TH28	DECKER X US Rte 7
TH29	CHAMPAGNA X ST. ARMAND
TH29	CHAMPAGNA X CARTER HILL
TH30	GAGNE X ST. ARMAND
TH31	CROSS X US Rte 78
TH31	CROSS X LAMKIN
TH32	CASSIDY X GORE
TH32	CASSIDY X FRANKLIN
TH34	DURKEE X HANNA
TH39	COUNTRY CLUB X I-89 RAMP
TH41	SCHOOL X ST. ARMAND
TH42	PARK X BROSSEAU
TH42	PARK X HIGHGATE
TH43	LUKE X BROSSEAU
TH43	LUKE X HIGHGATE
TH44	COOK X HIGHGATE
TH45	MOREY X MACHIA
TH47	MACHIA X VT Rte 78
TH54	RANDOLPH X SHIPYARD BAY
TH56	MAIN X VT Rte 78
TH58	BEYOR X US Rte 7
TH60	LACKEY X CARTER HILL
TH61	MYERS X US Rte 7
TH62	HANNA X VT Rte 78
TH64	MILL HILL X VT Rte 78
TH65	CHRISTOLINI X MOREY
TH66	QUAIL X LAMKIN
TH67	DARLENE X CHRISTOLINI
TH68	HOMESTEAD X BROSSEAU

Section 2

The following intersections shall be designated as **YIELD** intersections, and shall be so posted.

TH14 RAINVILLE X GORE

TH29 CAMPAGNA X ST. ARMAND

## **ARTICLE VI PARKING REGULATIONS**

Section 1

It shall be unlawful to park at any time on either side of the following roads:

GORE ROAD FROM THE LAMOILLE VALLEY RAILROAD THROUGH THE AREA IN FRONT OF THE HIGHGATE SPORTS ARENA

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, Town Constable or Selectboard member.

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, the title to such vehicle may be sold or otherwise disposed of in accordance with Title 27, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 11.

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 VEHICLES**

No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any street unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, sifting, leaking or otherwise escaping there from.

## **ARTICLE VIII ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES**

This ordinance incorporates Title 23 Vermont Statutes Annotated, Chapter 31 as it pertains to the operation of All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV).

## **ARTICLE IX GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Section 1.

Enforcement

This ordinance is adopted as a civil ordinance and will be enforced as such pursuant to the provisions of Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Sections 1974a and 1977.

Separate Offenses

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

Severability

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

Designation

This ordinance may be referred to as the Highgate Traffic Ordinance and in a prosecution here under a copy of such ordinance, certified by the Town Clerk, shall be prima facie evidence thereof. An allegation that the act constituting the offense charged is contrary to a specified provision of this ordinance shall be a sufficient reference hereto.

Repeal of Prior Ordinance

Any other ordinance or traffic regulation heretofore adopted by the Town of Highgate is hereby repealed.

Adopted by the Town of Highgate Selectboard:

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Richard J. Noël

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Brian P. Rowell

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Jennifer Ploof

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## AMENDMENT I

Article IV of this ordinance is hereby amended to include the following:

In consideration of neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, the following speed limits are hereby established:

TH69	TANGLEWOOD DRIVE	35
TH70	JEDWARE CIRCLE	35

Adopted by the Town of Highgate Selectboard:

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Richard J. Noël

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Brian P. Rowell

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Jennifer Ploof

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**AMENDMENT II**

Article IV of this ordinance is hereby amended to include the following:

The maximum speed limit permitted for any vehicular traffic on Vermont Route 78, Vermont Route 207 and US Route 7 within the Town of Highgate shall be the same as those limits established and posted by the State of Vermont.

Adopted by the Town of Highgate Selectboard:

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Richard J. Noël

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Brian P. Rowell

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Stephen Bushey

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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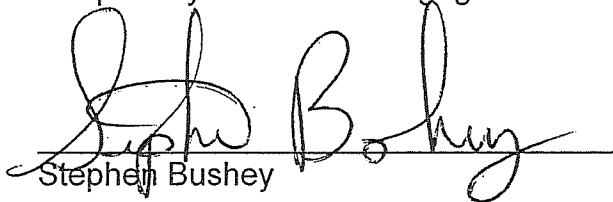
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Town Clerk Highgate, VT


**AMENDMENT V**

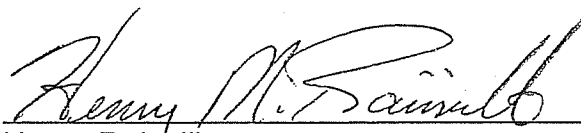
Article VII of this ordinance is hereby amended to include the following:

- 1) No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any street unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, shifting, leaking or otherwise escaping there from.
  
- 2) In consideration of neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, no commercial trucks exceeding 24,000 pounds (registered weight) shall be allowed on TH31 (Cross Street) and TH21 (Decatur Street), with the exception of seasonal agricultural vehicles and local delivery vehicles.

Adopted by the Town of Highgate:

  
Stephen Bushey

  
Brian P. Rowell

  
Henry Rainville

Date: May 25, 2006

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AMENDMENT VI

Article IV of this ordinance is hereby amended to include the following:

On the basis of engineering and traffic surveys, the following speed limits are hereby established:

<u>ROAD #</u>	<u>ROAD NAME</u>	<u>SPEED LIMIT (MPH)</u>
TH1	CARTER HILL	35 (from a point ½ mile east of its intersection with Frontage Road west to its end at US Rte 7)

Adopted by the Town of Highgate:

*Stephen Bushey*  
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Stephen Bushey

*Brian P. Rowell*  
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Brian P. Rowell

*Henry M. Rainville*  
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Henry Rainville

Date: April 19, 2007