

TOWN OF BUCKFIELD

REGULATING NO THRU TRUCK TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to:

- A. Regulate thru truck traffic on certain Town owned roads/streets;
- B. Promote the general welfare and safety of the citizens of Buckfield or any other individual using Town owned roads/streets; and
- C. Protect the condition of Town owned roads/streets that may be susceptible to heavy truck traffic.

SECTION 2: AUTHORITY

The Select Board is granted authority under Title 30–A M.R.S.A. §3009 to enact Ordinances regulating traffic.

The Select Board is granted authority under Title 30–A M.R.S.A. §3009 Sec. 1.B (1) to regulate the operation of vehicles on Town owned roads/streets.

SECTION 3: DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Ordinance, the following are defined to wit:

Truck shall mean a commercial vehicle having more than two axles.

Thru traffic shall mean transversing Town roads/streets without commercial reason to stop.

Exemptions shall mean emergency vehicles; moving vans; school buses; trucks belonging to companies established along a road/street subject to no thru truck traffic; and delivery trucks delivering along a road/street subject to no thru truck traffic.

SECTION 4: ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS / PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

In order for the Select Board to amend this Ordinance, it must first:

- A. At a duly called Meeting, schedule a Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment specific to any and all proposed amendments;
- B. Publish a Public Hearing Notice in a publication having general circulation in the Town of Buckfield; post said Notice in at least four conspicuous public places within the limits of Buckfield; and post said Notice on the Public Bulletin Board and Digital Media;
- C. Said Notice shall be published and posted at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the Public Hearing;
- D. Said Notice shall at least include the date, time, location, and purpose of the Public Hearing. The purpose shall identify the road(s)/street(s) to be restricted; and
- E. The Select Board, at its next regular Meeting following the Public Hearing, shall place on its Meeting Agenda and take action on the issue of restricting thru truck traffic on the particular road(s)/street(s) identified in said Public Hearing Notice.

SECTION 5: ENFORCEMENT

The Maine State Police and Oxford County Sheriffs Department are empowered by this Ordinance to restrict thru truck traffic along any Town owned road/street subject to no thru truck traffic providing that the provisions in Section 2 above were met.

SECTION 6: VIOLATION / FINES

Any individual who operates a truck in contravention shall be deemed in violation of this Ordinance and shall be subject to a fine of \$50.00 for the first offense and \$100.00 for each additional offense.

SECTION 7: RESTRICTED TOWN OWNED ROADS / STREETS

<u>ROAD NAME</u>	<u>RESTRICTED AS OF</u>
Bear Pond Road	December 2, 2008 (See Select Board Meeting Minutes dated December 2, 2008)
East Buckfield Road	December 2, 2008 (See Select Board Meeting Minutes dated December 2, 2008)
North Hill Road	December 2, 2008 (See Select Board Meeting Minutes dated December 2, 2008)
Paris Hill Road	December 2, 2008 (See Select Board Meeting Minutes dated December 2, 2008)
River Road	February 5, 2019 (See Select Board Meeting Minutes dated February 5, 2019)
Sodom Road	February 5, 2019 (See Select Board Meeting Minutes dated February 5, 2019)
South Hodgdon Hill Road	February 5, 2019 (See Select Board Meeting Minutes dated February 5, 2019)

SECTION 8: ENACTMENT

After due process and by majority vote at a Meeting duly called, we the undersigned Select Board do hereby enact this Ordinance as amended. By doing so, all documents entitled *Ordinance Regulating No Thru Truck Traffic* previously enacted/approved are hereby repealed.

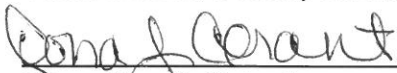
Dated this 5th day of February, 2019.



Cheryl Coffman, Chairperson



Tina Brooks, Selectperson



Dona Grant, Selectperson