



Town of Sunapee

TITLE 1: TRAFFIC AND PARKING ORDINANCES

CHAPTER 1 Parking Restrictions

Section 1:1 General

- A) It shall be unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to stop, stand, or park any vehicle in any place where official traffic signs have been erected or marked prohibiting standing and/or parking, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or other person, traffic control sign or signal.
- B) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on the paved, main or traveled portion of any highway, road or street.
- C) No vehicle shall be parked so as to restrict the portion of the road available for through traffic to sixteen (16) feet or less road width, except in areas marked for parking by the town.
- D) There shall be no parking on any hill or curve or any place where vision is not clear for at least one hundred-fifty (150) feet in either direction as the road goes, or where "NO PARKING" signs are posted, or where parking any vehicle will restrict the portion of the road available for through traffic to 16 feet or less road width.

Section 1:2 Village of Sunapee

- A) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on the traveled road on Main Street from Route 11 east to Lake Avenue, except in areas marked for parking by the town.
- B) On Lake Avenue and Garnet Street, vehicles may park on the paved or main or traveled portion provided in accordance with Section 1:1 C or D.
- C) No trailers shall be parked at any time -in any lot on Chart #1 or on Chart #4, with the exception of Lot A & Lot B. (amended 5-19-08)
- D) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on the south side of Lake Avenue from the driveway of 381 Lake Avenue to the southern intersection of Lake Avenue and Burkehaven Hill Road.
- E) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked at any time on either side of Burkehaven Hill Road from its start at Lake Avenue at Sunapee Harbor south to the intersection of Harbor Hill Road. Vehicles with boat trailers, and with the driver in said vehicle, while queuing to enter the harbor parking lot to use the Town Boat Ramp, may queue in the marked waiting area on the east side of Burkehaven Hill Road immediately south of the intersection with Lake Avenue.
- F) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on the south side of Elm Street.
- G) No parking of any vehicle or trailers on Main Street from Route 11 to intersection of River Road, and no parking on Garnet Street from Main Street to the first pumping station, with the exception of Parking lots D and E of Chart #2 in which no vehicle shall be parked for longer than two (2) hours between the hours of 7:30am and 6:00pm.
- H) No vehicle shall be parked on either side of Seven Hearths Lane from the easterly entrance to Mount Royal Academy to the westerly end of Seven Hearths Lane. [Added 9/8/03]
- I) No vehicle shall park for a period to exceed two hours in the following parking lots E & F of Chart #2 and parking lots D (added 10/24/05) & E of Chart #1. No vessel shall park at the Town Wharves or Beach area in Sunapee Harbor for a period to exceed two (2) hours. This shall not apply to the M.V. Kearsarge or M. V. Mt. Sunapee II that the Town currently has a lease agreement with. (Added 7/26/04)

Section 1:3 Village of Georges Mills

A) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on the north side of Route 11 from the intersection of Route 11 and Springfield Road to the intersection of Route 11 and Jobs Creek Road.

B) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on the south side of Route 11 from the intersection of Route 11 and Otter Hill Road to the intersection of Route 11 and Jobs Creek Road.

C) No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on Cooper Street.

Exception: There shall be two (2) spaces at the George's Mills Beach parking lot and three (3) spaces available on the east leg of Cooper Street at or near the intersection of Route 11 and Springfield Road, which will be posted for Town of Sunapee residents only.

Section 1:4 Time Restrictions and Overnight Parking:

No vehicle or trailer shall be parked in a Town Parking Lot or marked parking areas for more than 24 hours unless otherwise posted. No unregistered or abandoned vehicle shall be allowed. Such a vehicle may be towed at the expense of the owner.

Section 1:5 Seasonal Restrictions on Parking

A) Summer Restrictions-Memorial Day through Columbus Day. (changed 11-20-06)

1a) Chart 1, Lot A, C - no vehicle shall be parked for longer than four (4) hours.

1 b) Chart 1 Lot B, - no vehicle shall be parked for longer than six (6) hours. (1-b & c added 11-20-06)

1 c) Chart 1 Lot D, E – no vehicle shall be parked for longer than two (2) hours.

.2) At Georges Mills Harbor/Beach, three parking spaces adjacent to the boat-launch ramp and facing the lake shall be designated for general public use and no vehicle shall be parked in these spaces for longer than twenty (20) minutes.

B) Winter Restrictions-November 1st through April 1st.

1) During the winter parking restriction, no vehicle may be parked on any public street, way or through way within the Town of Sunapee between the hours of 12:00am (midnight) and 7:30am or any other time in such a manner as to impede snow removal operations.

2) Any vehicle parked in violation of Section 1:5.B.1 may be authorized by the Road Agent, Chief of Police or their agents to be towed from its location and stored. The expense of towing and storage will be the responsibility of the driver and/or operator of the vehicle, prior to the release of the vehicle.

3) During the winter parking restriction period, overnight parking will be allowed between the hours of 6:00pm and 7:30am in the following locations:

a) The parking lot on the corner of Main and High Streets east of Hames Park.

b) The parking lot on High Street on the south side of Sugar River.

4) No vehicle or trailer will be parked on the north side of Elm Street at any time.

Section 1:6 School facilities:

During the hours of 7:30 AM to 8:15 AM and 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM on days in which school is in session, only traffic related to the residents of School Street, school personnel, handicapped individuals, school busses, delivery trucks, and any emergency vehicles, going to and from Sunapee Elementary School, are allowed. All other traffic on School Street is prohibited during the above hours. [Rewritten 9/8/03.] [Revised 11/16/09]

CHAPTER 2 Plowing and Shoveling of Snow and Ice

Section 2:1 Placement of Snow

No person shall throw, push, place, or cause to be thrown or placed, any snow or ice on any public street, way or sidewalk within the Town of Sunapee.

Section 2:2 Removal of Snow

If it is determined, by the Road Agent, Chief of Police or their agents, that such placement of snow or ice upon any public street, way or sidewalk may impede traffic, vehicular or pedestrian, or affect normal Town of Sunapee snow removal operations, the person(s) violating this section may be charged the cost of removal of said snow or ice by the Town of Sunapee.

CHAPTER 3 Towing of Cars

Section 3:1

Vehicles or trailers that are parked, left standing, or are abandoned anywhere that cause a hazard, or create a threat to the free flow of traffic, or the safety of others, or which is parked in violation of this ordinance may be ordered, by the Road Agent, Chief of Police or their agents, towed to a garage where upon the driver or operator shall pay the tow charge before being allowed to move such vehicle from said garage. The Town of Sunapee or the Sunapee Police Department shall not be liable for tow charges or damages, which might occur.

CHAPTER 4 Town Facilities Sticker

Section 4:1

No vehicle or trailer shall be parked, stopped, or stand in parking spaces designated for parking restricted to "TOWN FACILITIES STICKER REQUIRED" without a valid "TOWN FACILITIES" sticker displayed on said vehicle.

CHAPTER 5 Speed Restrictions

Section 5:1

All speed limits on Town of Sunapee roads shall be as adopted by the Sunapee Board of Selectmen, upon the recommendation of the Sunapee Highway Safety Committee, on October 25, 1993, and as may be amended from time to time. The speed limit for any Town of Sunapee road not listed and posted, shall be 25 miles per hour, excepting limiting the speed on Lake Ave. (added 8/23/04) and Central Street (Added 01/25/10) to 20 miles per hour.

CHAPTER 6 Exceptions to Parking Ordinance

Section 6:1

The Board of selectmen acknowledges that situations arise and provide the following exceptions:

- 1) This ordinance shall not apply to the driver of any vehicle, which is disabled to such an extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving such disabled vehicle.
- 2) In the case of large gatherings at private, public, or social events that necessitate parking of a number of vehicles on traveled roads, the Police Department shall be notified, in advance, of the time and place of the event. One or more police officers may be assigned duty to regulate and control traffic. Persons requiring such police officers shall be billed for the time officers are needed.

Section 6:2

The Board of Selectmen may authorize a waiver of time limits on parking restrictions in Section 1:2 and 1:3 after consultation with the Police Chief. Approval of the waiver will be in writing to the Police Department. (Added 9/13/04)

CHAPTER 7 Penalties Imposed

Section 7:1

The penalty for each violation of this ordinance shall be \$40.00 and shall be paid at the Town of Sunapee Police Station or the Town of Sunapee offices of the Board of Selectmen. Anyone paying such penalty shall, upon request, be issued a receipt. This penalty shall stand independent of any administrative or other charge that may be imposed.

Section 7:2

The penalty imposed shall be paid within 24 hours of the time when such notice of violation was attached to the vehicle.

Section 7:3

Any person who shall fail to pay the prescribed penalty, or who shall violate any other provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to an administrative fee of \$15.00 in addition to any fine or other charge that may be imposed.

Section 7:4

Any person found in violation of Chapter 2 shall receive a fine of not less than \$25, nor more than \$100. The cost of removal of snow or ice placed in a public street, way or sidewalk, in addition to any fine, administrative cost or other charge, may also be imposed.

CHAPTER 8 Invalidation of Portion of Ordinance

Section 8:1

If any provisions of the ordinances herein enacted, or the application of such provision to any person, body or circumstance shall be held invalid, the remainder of the provisions, or the application of such provisions to persons, bodies, or circumstances other than those as to which it shall have been held invalid, shall not be affected thereby.

CHAPTER 9 Repeal of Existing Ordinance

Section 9:1

All existing Parking and Traffic Ordinances in effect at the time of passage of, and in conflict with this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

Title 1: Traffic and Parking Ordinances were enacted November 12, 2001 and revised June 9, 2003, September 8, 2003, July 26, 2004 , August 23, 2004, September 13, 2004, October 24, 2005, November 20, 2006, May 19, 2008. November 16, 2009 and January 25, 2010

Sunapee Board of Selectmen