

TOWN OF PHILLIPS
PARKING ORDINANCE

1. AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE: This ordinance is adopted by the Municipal Officers (Selectmen) of the Town of Phillips in accordance with 30-A MRS 3009. The selectmen find that unrestricted parking of Motor vehicles on certain portions of public ways in Phillips creates a traffic hazard and is dangerous to motorists and pedestrians alike. Unrestricted parking causes traffic congestion, reduces sight distances for motorists, impedes winter maintenance, and causes motorists to drive outside the designated travel lane and into oncoming traffic. The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate parking as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.
2. DEFINITIONS: Words used in this ordinance shall be defined in accordance with 29A-MRS 101, any undefined word shall have its common ordinary meaning.
3. RESTRICTIONS: No person shall park a motor vehicle on the public ways listed on attached Exhibit A or portions of public ways, where "No Parking/Tow Away Zone" signs or signs bearing similar language have been erected by the municipality.
4. TOWING: A motor vehicle parked in violation of this ordinance may be towed by a wrecker authorized by the municipality, at the request of and under the supervision of the town constable or other official duly authorized and appointed by the Selectmen.
5. RELEASE OF TOWED VEHICLE: ANY person seeking release of a motor vehicle towed pursuant to this ordinance must first (a) pay all towing charges and storage charges and (b) present satisfactory evidence of his or her right to possession and sign a receipt for the vehicle.
6. PRIMA FACIS EVIDENCE OF OPERATION: NO person shall cause allow or permit a motor vehicle registered in his or her name to park in violation of this ordinance. The fact that a motor vehicle is unlawfully parked shall be prima facie evidence of the unlawful parking of such vehicle by the person in whose name such vehicle is registered.
7. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES. This ordinance shall be enforced by the town constable or other official duly appointed and authorized by the Selectmen. A violation of this ordinance is a civil violation punishable by a fine of \$ 50.00.
8. SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE: IN the event that any provision is declared by a court to be unenforceable, the remaining provisions continue in full force and effect. This ordinance shall become effective when adopted by a majority of the Board of Selectmen.

Dste adopted.

October 2, 2001

EXHIBIT A

1. No parking at any time in an area used as a turnaround by school buses, municipal vehicles and/or emergency vehicles.

2. No parking from November 1 to May 1 within any Phillips town road limits.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

There will be a Public Hearing at the Phillips Town Office at 7:15 PM on Tuesday, OCTOBER 16, 2001, to consider an amendment to the TOWN OF PHILLIPS PARKING ORDINANCE which was adopted on October 2, 2001. This is to amend section 2 of Exhibit A which should have read as follows:

2. No parking from November 1 to May 1 between the hours of 11 PM and 6 A.M. within any Phillips Town Road Limits.

The Public is welcome to attend and express their opinions following which the Selectmen may vote to adopt the Ordinance as amended.

Caydon C. Hardy

Alfreda M. Reed
Selectmen of Phillips

Attest: Laura Toothaker
Laura Toothaker
Deputy Clerk

adopted 10/16/01