# Town of Readsboro, Vermont Organized 1786



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## Parking Ordinance Town of Readsboro Vermont

## SEC #1 Authority, Purpose and General Restrictions

Pursuant to Title 24 V.S.A. Section 1972 and Title 23 V.S.A. Sections 1753 and 1008, the Readsboro, Vermont Select Board hereby enacts the following civil ordinance relating to motor vehicles on Town highways, Town highway right of ways, Town-designated parking lots and Town-owned land within the Town of Readsboro Vermont. The purpose of this ordinance is to promote public safety, provide good traffic flow and assist the Town with maintenance of all highways.

No vehicle may be parked except in accordance with Vermont State Statute, including but not limited to 23 VSA 1101, 23 VSA 1104, and 23 VSA 1105.

All references to a "vehicle" herein shall include any motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, trailer, non-motorized vehicle, or parts thereof.

- 1.1. Any vehicle, or parts thereof, that do not have a valid inspection sticker and a valid registration shall not be parked on any Town highway, Town highway right of way, Town designated parking lot or Town owned land.
- 1.2. From November 1 until April 1, no person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, on any Town highway, between the hours of 11 pm and 6am.
- 1.3. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, in

front of 7077 Main Street (currently Readsboro Inn) from the "No parking" sign continuing in an easterly direction to the corner of Glen Avenue, being approximately 30 feet in length.

- 1.4. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, from a "No parking between signs" sign, located at the south end of Town Bridge #32 and running southerly along Tunnel Street to another "No Parking between signs" sign located on the easterly side of Tunnel Street and in front of 163 Tunnel Street. The approximate "no parking" distance is 180 feet.
- 1.5. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, on Main Street starting at 6951 Main Street and running along Main Street in a northwesterly direction to the large rock retaining wall for a distance of approximately 125 feet. This "no parking" area will be marked with "No Parking Here to Corner" sign.
- 1.6. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, from a sign in front of 7066 Main Street and wrapping around the corner and running down Tunnel Street a distance of 25 feet to another "No Parking Here to Corner" sign. The approximate "no parking" distance is 100 feet.
- 1.7. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, on the northwesterly side of School Street located from the four-way intersection of Railroad Alley and School Street, thence proceeding northeasterly along School Street for approximately 90 feet to the intersection of School Street and Main Street.
- 1.8. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, at any time, between the intersection of School Street and Main Street, thence proceeding in a northwesterly direction, along Main Street, to a point in front of 6982 Main Street. Such a distance is approximately 40 feet.
- 1.9. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, between 6922 Main Street and 6954 Main Street. Such a distance is approximately 185 feet.
- 1.10. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time from the easterly side of the intersection of Phelps Lane & Vermont Route 100 and running in a northeasterly direction along Phelps Lane a distance of

approximately 190 feet and ending after 34 Phelps Lane.

- 1.11. No person shall travel upon or park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, on any portion of any Town sidewalk.
- 1.12. No unauthorized mechanic work shall be performed on any Town highway, Town right of way, Town-designated parking lot or Town-owned land. Such prohibited mechanic work includes, but is not limited to, brake work, changing fluids, rotating tires, changing transmissions and engines, and auto-body repair.
- 1.13. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time, within the traveled portion of any Town highway with the exception of the north side of School Street from 115 School St. to 55 School St. except where indicated in Section 1.2 of this ordinance.
- 1.14. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time on the left side of East Main Street from the intersection of Glen Ave straight up the hill to the upper intersection of Glen Ave.
- 1.15. No person shall park any vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time on Railroad Alley from the intersection of Main Street to the intersection of School Street. Town employee parking only.
- 1.16 No person shall park an inoperable vehicle longer than 24 hours on any portion of a Town maintained highway.
- 1.17 No vehicle may be parked on a town highway for a period longer than 72 hours without prior permission of the Selectboard or its agents.
- 1.18 No vehicle may be parked on Town Owned land except within the Town Designated Parking Lots described in Section 2 of this Ordinance unless by prior permission of the Selectboard or its agents.

#### SEC #2 Town Designated Parking Lots

2.1. Parking will be allowed on a Town-owned designated lot, for vehicles having a valid inspection sticker and a valid registration. The movement of a vehicle from one lot within the town to another for no purpose

other than long-term parking will not be permitted.

- 2.2. Designated Town parking lots are as follows:
  - A) Old chair shop parking lot at the intersection of Main Street & Branch Hill Rd. Currently known as the Park-N-Ride.
  - B) Bandstand lot on Main Street.
  - C) Southeasterly side of Canal Drive directly across from 74 Canal Drive & 58 Canal Drive.
  - 2.3. The Town of Readsboro assumes no liability for any damages that arise out of the use of any Town-designated parking lots.
- 2.4 No parking longer than 48 hours consecutively allowed on any Town designated parking lots unless authorized by the Selectboard or its agents.

# SEC #3 Enforcement

- 3.1. The Town may ticket, tow or cause to be towed or immobilized any vehicle, or parts thereof, found in violation of any portion of this ordinance. The cost of towing or immobilization and any storage charges shall be paid by the owner or operator, or both, before that motor vehicle is returned to such person. At the town's option, a vehicle parked in violation of this ordinance may be towed without prior notice or warning.
- 3.2. The Selectboard, or its agents, may cause any vehicle, or parts thereof, to be towed at the owner or operators, or both, expense, for any environmental hazard caused by any vehicle in disrepair including but not limited to leaking motor oil, antifreeze, gasoline, diesel fuel and transmission fluid, brake fluid etc.
- 3.3 In the event of an emergency or an unforeseen Town problem, the Selectboard, or their agents, may cause the owner or operator of any vehicle to promptly remove the vehicle, or parts thereof, from any designated Town parking lot, Town highway, Town highway right of way or Town-owned land. Failure to remove the vehicles immediately may result in the towing of that vehicle, or parts thereof, by the Town. The costs of such towing and storage shall be paid by the owner or operator before the vehicle is returned to such person.

## SEC #4 Special Parking Permits/Permission

4.1 Limited parking or no parking permits may be granted by the Readsboro Selectboard for special functions such as parades, large gatherings and special needs. Restrictions and conditions may be imposed by the Selectboard. Permission must be obtained in advance.

#### SEC #5 Waiver & Civil Penalties

- 5.1. Waiver penalty: 1st offense per vehicle for owner or operator--- \$50.00. 2nd offense per vehicle for owner or operator--- \$125.00. All other offenses per vehicle for owner-or operator- \$250.00
- 5.2 Civil penalty: 1st offense-- \$100.00 plus all legal costs for owner or operator. 2nd offense-- \$250.00 plus all legal costs for owner or operator. 3rd and subsequent offenses-for owner or operator-\$500.00 plus all legal costs.
- 5.3. Each day an offense is allowed to continue constitutes another offense.
- 5.4. This parking ordinance supersedes any previous Town of Readsboro Vermont & Village of Readsboro Vermont parking ordinances. All other applicable laws pertain.
- 5.5 The Selectboard will have the authority to add/ or subtract from this ordinance providing action is at a duly warned regular Selectboard meeting.

This parking ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Readsboro Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A. Section 1973 effect of this ordinance shall be governed by that statute. A copy of this ordinance may be obtained at the Readsboro Vermont Town Clerks Office during regular business hours. Any questions about the ordinance can be addressed to the current Selectboard Chairman.

Custodial Officials: Town Clerk

Issuing Officials: Bennington or Windham County Sheriff Dept, Selectboard or its agents, State Police, Highway Superintendent

Signature

Appearing Officials: Selectboard or its agents

Date of Adoption: 8/14/24 Effective date: 10/14/2024

Posted at: Readsboro Post office

Readsboro Town Office Readsboro General Store

Readsboro Selectboard dated 8/14/24

Raymond Eilers

Nathan Kurz

Joseph Berard

State of Vermont)

County of Bennington) ss.

On this day of 8/14/2024, before me personally appeared Raymond Eilers, Nathan Kurz, and Joseph Berard to me know to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and he/she thereupon duly acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same to be his/her free act and deed.

Notary Signature

my commission expires: 1/31/2025

AMBER HOLLAND Notary Public, State of Vermont Commission No. 0002301



