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Littleton, New Hampshire CHAPTER 1 TRAFFIC ORDINANCE	REVIEW DATE & OPR 5/12/2025 BOS MEETING Updated 5/12/2025 BOS meeting
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In accordance with the authority conferred upon selectmen of towns by Section 11, Chapter 41 and paragraphs VII and VIII; and Section 17, Chapter 47 Revised Statutes Annotated, relative to traffic regulations, the following regulations are hereby drafted and adopted.

PREAMBLE:

This Ordinance shall be captioned “Traffic Regulations Ordinance” and shall take effect on its adoption by the Board of Selectmen

In addition to any other remedy established by law, the Selectmen shall be authorized to enforce the provisions of this ordinance by any proceeding commenced in the Grafton County Superior Court or the Littleton District Court, and shall be entitled to recover from any violator hereof all their costs, including attorney's fees, in connection with such enforcement, to the extent allowed by said Court.

If any word, term, phrase, sentence or clause of this ordinance is found to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or any other agency, such finding shall not affect the validity of any other word, term, phrase, sentence, or clause of this ordinance.

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS

Vehicle - Every mechanical device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a way, except devices used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

Way - The entire width between the boundary lines of any public highway, street, avenue, road, alley, park or parkway or any private way laid out under authority of statute or any such way provided and maintained by a public institution to which state funds are appropriated for public use, or any such way which has been for public travel thereon, other than to and from a toll bridge or ferry, for twenty (20) years, or any public or private parking lot which is maintained primarily for the benefit of paying customers.

Crosswalk - The part of a highway at an intersection included within the connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalk on opposite sides of the highway measured from the curbs, or in the absence of curbs from the edges of the traversable highway any portion of a highway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface.

Sidewalk - All sidewalks laid out as such by a city, town, or village district, or reserved by custom for the use of pedestrians that are within the part of a city village or district. It shall not include crosswalks, nor footpaths that are worn only by travel and not improved by the town or abutters, nor any paths or walks that are built for the exclusive use of bicyclists.

Pedestrian - Any person afoot.

Traffic - Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, and other conveyances either singly or together while using any street for purposes of travel.

Bicycles - Every pedaled vehicle propelled solely by human power upon which any person may ride, except a child's tricycle and similar devices.

Traffic Movements

Stop

When required, a complete cessation of movement.

When prohibited, any stopping of a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with direction of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal.

Standing- Any stopped vehicle, whether occupied or not.

Park- The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, other than temporarily for the purpose of or while actually engaged in loading or unloading.

U-Turn- The turning of a vehicle from its original direction and/or the turning of one side of the street to the other for the purpose of parking.

Yielding the Right of Way- When required the slowing down or stopping if necessary, to allow a vehicle or pedestrian using the street being approached to have the right of way.

Intersection - The area bounded by the prolongation of the lateral curb lines or the lateral boundary lines of 2 or more ways.

Traffic Control Device

All signs, signals, markings and devices not inconsistent with these regulations erected pursuant to competent authority for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic.

Traffic signals, mechanically or electronically operated, by which traffic is directed to stop or proceed. These are erected pursuant to competent authority.

Feeding Meters - The purpose of parking meters is to provide the periodic turnover of parked vehicles on commercial areas, which would provide greater access to the businesses and services offered in the Town. Feeding the meters is the act of placing more money in the parking meters than is necessary in an attempt to avoid a parking fine after the maximum time limit has expired.

Police Officer - Every officer of the Town or any officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.

Section 2: Enforcement

It shall be the duty of the Police Department of this town to enforce the provisions of this ordinance. Officers of the Police Department are hereby authorized to direct all traffic either in person or by means of visual or audible signals in conformance with these regulations, provided that in the event of fire or other emergency, may direct traffic (as conditions may require), notwithstanding the provisions of this ordinance. This shall include other police officers from other jurisdiction who have been requested to assist the Police Department by the appropriate authority.

The Chief of Police, at the direction of the Town Manager, may employ Auxiliary personnel to conduct traffic control. Auxiliary personnel shall be trained in traffic control techniques. Paragraphs (I.) and (IV.) of this Section entitled "Enforcement" shall apply to Auxiliary personnel.

Required Obedience to Traffic Regulations

It is a violation for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required by these regulations.

Obedience to Police A.

It shall be unlawful for any person to refuse or fail to comply with any lawful order, signal or direction of a Police Officer. Additionally, it shall be unlawful for any person to refuse or fail to comply with any lawful order, signal or direction of a Firefighter, pursuant to NH RSA 154:7, at the scene of a fire.

B.

The Police Department shall have the authority to tow any vehicle that they find in violation of this ordinance at the owner's expense. Vehicles towed for illegal parking shall be stored in a safe place and shall be restored to the owner or operator upon payment of all fees for towing and storage. No custodian or police officer shall be liable for damages to any vehicle while it is in custody under this paragraph, provided due care was exercised.

Traffic Regulations

Public Employees: The provisions of these regulations shall apply to the driver of any vehicle owned or used by the United States Government, the State of New Hampshire, or any political subdivision of said state, and it shall be unlawful for any driver to violate any of the provisions of these regulations, except as otherwise permitted by law or these regulations.

Exemptions

Emergency Vehicles - The provisions of these regulations, governing the operation, parking and standing of vehicles shall apply to authorized emergency vehicles as defined in these regulations except as follows:

Park or stand in violation of this chapter during the course of an official action.

Proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation.

Disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specific directions so long as persons and property are not thereby endangered.

The foregoing exemptions shall not protect the driver of any emergency vehicle from the consequences that result from the disregard for the safety of others.

Persons Covered

Any person propelling a push cart, riding a bicycle, skateboard, in-line skates, person powered vehicle, electronic personal transporter, or driving a vehicle shall be subject to the provisions of these regulations whenever applicable.

SECTION 3. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Obedience to Traffic Control Devices

The driver of a vehicle shall obey the instructions of all control devices, unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer or Auxiliary. The Chief of Police is authorized to erect signs, barricades and traffic cones, provisionally, to maintain order or safe traffic movement which, during their pendency, shall become official traffic control devices. It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle to disobey the instructions of any official traffic control device placed in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer or Auxiliary.

Traffic Control Signal legend- Vehicles

Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic control signals exhibiting different colored lights, or colored lighted arrows, successively, at one time or in combination, ONLY the colors “RED”, “GREEN” AND “YELLOW” shall be used.

GREEN

Vehicular traffic facing a CIRCULAR GREEN signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at such a place prohibits either such turn. But, vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left shall yield to other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or adjacent crosswalk at such a time the signal is exhibited.

GREEN ARROW

Vehicular traffic facing a GREEN ARROW signal, shown alone or in combination with another indication, may cautiously enter the intersection only to make movement indicated by such arrow, or such other movement as is permitted by other indications shown at the same time. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully using the intersection.

YELLOW

Vehicular traffic facing a steady CIRCULAR YELLOW OR YELLOW ARROW signal is thereby warned that the related GREEN movement is being terminated or that a RED indication will be exhibited immediately thereafter when vehicular traffic shall not enter the intersection. Drivers shall proceed with extreme caution IF AND ONLY IF it is apparent that a stop cannot be safely made.

CIRCULAR RED

Vehicular traffic facing a steady CIRCULAR RED signal alone shall stop at a clearly marked stop line before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then standing until an indication to proceed is shown except as provided in 3:II (e) and 3:II (g).

When a signal is in a place permitting a turn, traffic, except pedestrians, facing a steady CIRCULAR RED signal may cautiously enter the intersection to make the turn indicated by the sign after stopping. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

RED ARROW

Traffic, except pedestrians, facing a steady RED ARROW indication may not enter the intersection to make the movement indicated by such arrow, unless entering the intersection to make such other movements is permitted by other indication shown at the same time, shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, shall stop before entering the intersection or crosswalk and remain standing until an indication to make the movement indicated is shown, except as provided in 3: II (g).

Except when the authority having jurisdiction over the intersection prohibits such a turn and a sign located at the intersection so indicates, vehicular traffic facing a steady RED LIGHT alone or a steady CIRCULAR RED indication shall stop as required in this section and may after such stop, make a right turn if such a right turn is lawful at that intersection. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to the other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

Signal not at an Intersection

In the event an official traffic control signal is erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this section shall be applicable except as to those provisions, which by their nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be made, but in the absence of any such sign or marking, the stop shall be made at the signal.

Flashing Signals

Flashing “RED” or “YELLOW” signals shall require obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:

Flashing Red - (stop signal)

When a red lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked. Or if none, then before entering the intersection and the right to proceed shall be subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign.

Flashing Yellow - (caution signal)

When a yellow lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection or past such a signal only with caution.

Display of Unauthorized Signs, Signals or Markings

No person shall place, maintain or display upon or in view of any highway any unauthorized signs, signals, marking or device which purports to be or is an imitation

of, or resembles an official traffic control device, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic, or which hides from view or resembles an official traffic control device. No person shall place or maintain nor any public authority permit upon any way any traffic sign or signal bearing thereon any commercial advertising. This shall be deemed to prohibit the erection upon private property adjacent to ways, signs giving useful directional information and of a type that cannot be mistaken for official signs. Every such prohibited sign, signal or marking is declared a public nuisance and the authority having jurisdiction over the way is hereby empowered to remove the same or cause it to be removed without notice.

Interference with Traffic Control Devices, Signs, or Signals

No person shall, without lawful authority, attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down other than accidentally, remove or possess any of the following items, or any part thereof, which have previously been installed by lawful authority:

Any official control device;

Any railroad sign or signal; or

Any inscription, shield or insignia found on any of the above.

Any official street name sign.

Erection of Signs

After these regulations have been placed in effect, the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager may authorize the Chief of Police to erect signs in the Town of Littleton for the control of traffic and officially designate any such sign or signs by an authorization in writing to the Chief of Police, recorded in the office of the Town Clerk, said authorization containing a description of said sign and the location or position of the same. Sign(s) shall become effective upon said recording.

Penalties

Any person violating provisions of Sections 1, 2, and 3 shall be punished by a fine of not less \$33.00 but not more than \$1000.00, in accordance with RSA 651:2 and subsequent amendments thereto.

SECTION 4. BICYCLES (see BICYCLE AND PEOPLE POWERED VEHICLE ORDINANCE)

SECTION 5. PEDESTRIANS

Pedestrians Crossing Streets

No person shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle, which is so close as to constitute immediate hazard. Anyone found in violation of this subsection shall be fined not less than \$10.00.

No person shall cross any street within the compact area of the Town of Littleton at any point other than a marked crosswalk. A violation will result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

At intersections where “Walk” and “Don’t Walk” signals are installed and in operation, it shall be unlawful for pedestrians to cross the way unless the signal indication

permits such crossing. A violation will result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

SECTION 6. PARKING METERS

This section establishes metered parking in the downtown area of Littleton, NH and also establishes the allotted cost for that time and fines for violations. The downtown area shall be between the intersections of Main Street/Union Street and Main Street/Meadow Street, Porter Street, Mill Street and includes, but it not limited to, municipal parking lots (owned, contracted or leased) with parking meters or parking management systems.

The meter regulations shall be enforced Monday through Saturday between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm. They shall not be enforced on Sundays or Holidays. The Board of Selectmen or the Town Manager may make special exceptions to these hours.

Time – Costs

The meters shall read:

5 cents for 12 minutes
10 cents for 24 minutes
25 cents for 1 hour

Meters located on Main Street in front of the Post Office are limited to 20-minute intervals, as patrons rarely are parked in these spaces for an extended amount of time. Said parking shall cost .25 cents.

There shall be a 2-hour limit to all metered parking spaces. This time limit includes municipal maintained parking on Main Street, Mill Street and Porter Street designated for the use of a person with a walking disability or displaying the international accessibility symbol (effective January 1, 2017). A violation will result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

There shall be a 4-hour limit to all metered parking spaces located in the Community Center parking lot. This time limit includes parking spaces in the Community Center parking lot specifically designated for the use of a person with a walking disability or displaying the international accessibility symbol (effective January 1, 2017). A violation will result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

Use of Meters

Except in a period of emergency to be determined by an officer of the Fire Department, or in compliance with the direction of a police officer, auxiliary or traffic control sign or signal, when any vehicle shall be parked in any parking space alongside or next to which a parking meter is located, the operator of such vehicle shall, upon entering said parking space with a meter, immediately deposit or cause to be deposited proper coin of the United States or Canada as is required for its operation. After deposit of the proper coin(s), the driver of said vehicle shall also set in operation the timing mechanism in accordance with the directions appearing on the meter. Failure to deposit the proper amount shall subject the operator and/or owner of the vehicle to an overtime parking of not less than \$10.00.

Exception- However, the parking space may be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during the period of time which has been prescribed for the part of the street in which said space is located, provided that any person placing the vehicle in a parking meter space adjacent to a meter which indicates an unused time has been left in the meter by a previous occupant of the space, shall not be required to deposit a coin so long as his occupancy does not exceed the indicated unused parking time. If occupancy will extend past the unused parking time, the owner and/or operator of the vehicle must deposit the required amount(s) to remain for the longer period of time. Failure to do so will result in violations of Section 6:IV and 5:V.

It shall be a violation of this section for any person to cause, allow or permit any vehicle registered in the name of or operated by such person to remain or be placed in any parking space adjacent to a meter while such meter is displaying a signal indicating that such time limit has expired; then, and in that event, such vehicle shall be considered as parking overtime and shall be subject to an overtime and shall be subject to an overtime parking charge of not less than \$10.00.

Enforcement

The police department shall be responsible for the regulation, control and use of such parking meters. The police department shall be responsible for the maintenance and collection of fees from such parking meters. Each parking meter shall be so arranged that upon the expiration of the specified time limit and indication of such expiration will be given by a proper visible signal. This visible signal will service as prima facie evidence that the right to occupy said parking space has ceased and the owner and/or operator thereof shall be subject to an overtime parking charge of not less than \$10.00.

Feeding Meters

There shall be no feeding of meters as defined in **Section 1:X**. Any vehicle found in violation of metered parking by feeding meters past the designated limit shall be fined (in addition to any ticket already issued) the additional sum of \$10.00 for each twenty (20) Minute, two (2) or four (4) hour period (whichever is applicable).

Courtesy Parking Tickets/Permits

Courtesy parking tickets/permits shall be issued only with the prior approval of either the Police Chief or his designee for a sum of \$25.00. This ticket/permit shall be valid for one day only. Courtesy Parking Permits shall not be issued for the purpose of sales or political advertising.

Improper Parking

Vehicles shall be parked within the lines marking or designating metered parking. This shall include other municipally maintained parking, or in a municipal parking lot (owned, contracted or leased) with lines marking or designating parking. Any vehicle parked in such a manner that is not within the municipal parking space designated by such lines or markings or parked in a manner as to impede the proper use of an adjacent municipal parking space, shall be assessed as Improper Parking. The owner and/or operator of the vehicle shall be subject to a violation of this section and result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

Tour Buses parked in metered parking shall only be required to deposit a coin in one of the metered parking spaces that the bus is utilizing and shall comply with all other regulations outlined in this chapter. Vehicles pulling trailers must deposit coins in all of the metered parking spaces that the vehicle and trailer are utilizing and shall comply

with all other regulations outlined in this chapter.

Appeals

Any person who wishes to appeal a parking ticket may do so within 5 business days of the date of issue. The appeal shall be submitted on the form provided by the Littleton Police Department. The form shall be dated and signed by the person making the appeal. Please forward to:

Chief of Police
Littleton Police Department 2 Kittridge Lane
Littleton, NH 03561

The decision of the Chief shall be final

Xa Vandalism of Meters

It shall be unlawful and a violation for any person to:

Deface, injure, tamper with, open or willfully break, destroy or impair the usefulness of any parking meter

Deposit or cause to be deposited in any parking meter any slugs, device or metal substance or other substances that act as substitutes for lawful coins of the United States.

Such person shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$33.00 nor more than \$1000.00 in accordance with RSA 651:2, and subsequent amendments thereto.

Payment of Fines

All fines, fees and parking charges outlined in this chapter shall be paid at the police station.

Proof of Ownership

Proof of ownership through registration shall be prima facie evidence that such owner operated or allowed said vehicle to be operated by another in violation of this section, and said owner may be charged for any violation of this section by such person

Special Uses

Nothing in this section shall prevent the holding of certain parking meters as a reservation for special uses upon the determination and authorization of either the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager or Chief of Police. Any vehicle parked in violation of such special use shall be subject to fine of not less than \$25.00

SECTION 7. PARKING REGULATIONS

It shall be unlawful to block any alleyways or driveways in the Town of Littleton. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$25.00.

Ia. It shall be unlawful to park in any area designated as a Fire Lane, public or private, said designation shall be clearly marked. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$50.00.

a. It shall be unlawful to park in any area designated as RESTRICTED or NO PARKING ZONE. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$25.00.

b. It shall be unlawful to park in any area not designated as a parking space in the area identified as metered parking in the downtown area of Littleton, NH as outlined in Section 6. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

It shall be unlawful to park on the wrong side of the street so as to have the left wheels of a vehicle to the curb. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

It shall be unlawful to park within 15 feet of a fire hydrant. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$10.00.

It shall be unlawful to park on any sidewalk or crosswalk. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$25.00.

It shall be unlawful to park within 20 feet of the entrance to any fire station and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of said entrance when properly posted. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$25.00 and not more than \$100.00.

a. It shall be unlawful to park in any place (public or private) which is specifically designated for persons who are disabled by means of a sign or stenciling stating that the space is reserved for a person with a walking disability or displaying the international accessibility symbol as defined in RSA 265:73-a. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$300.00.

b. It shall be unlawful to park in or overlapping into any access aisle. A person who violates the provisions of this subparagraph shall be fined a minimum of \$50. "Access aisle" shall mean a designated space for maneuvering a wheelchair or other mobility device when entering or exiting a vehicle, and that is immediately adjacent to a properly designated parking space for persons with a walking disability, whether on public or private property. Access aisles shall be designated as "no parking" areas or otherwise marked so as to discourage parking in them (effective January 1, 2017).

VIIa. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to commercial vehicles loading or unloading. The Police Department, however, shall have authority, if they deem it necessary, to permit commercial vehicles a period of twenty (20) minutes in which to load or unload whereby the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply.

VIIb. Any uninspected, unregistered or inoperable motor vehicle or unattached trailer parked in a Town of Littleton municipal parking lot (owned, contracted or leased) in excess of 10 days, or any vehicle that has been unregistered in excess of 30 days, shall be considered abandoned. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$100.00. The vehicle or trailer is subject to towing and the last owner of record of said motor vehicle shall be subject to fines and penalties as outlined in RSA 262:40-c, abandoning a Vehicle; Penalty.

****Section 7. Parking Regulation "VIIb was amended to include wording for unregistered vehicles and was adopted on May 12, 2025**

VIIc. a. It shall be unlawful to park in municipal parking lots, owned or leased, located at 120 Main Street and lots identified as Lots A – F between the hours of 12:00 AM and 5:00 AM. For the purposes of this section, parking between the hours of 12:00 AM and 5:00 AM is considered as "Overnight Parking". A permit authorizing Overnight Parking may be issued by the Littleton Police Department. Overnight Parking permits shall be issued annually from January 1st and will

expire on December 31st. The annual will be established by the Board of Selectmen. The annual fee shall not be prorated. Visitor Overnight Parking permits may be issued. The fee for visitor permits shall be established by the Board of Selectmen and shall be purchased per overnight stay. Permit rules, such as Overnight Parking permit registration requirements, payment options, permit placement and permit design shall be established by the Littleton Police Department Parking Enforcement Division and authorized by the Chief of Police.

b. Motor vehicles parking between the hours of 12:00 AM and 5:00 AM in municipal parking lots located at 120 Main Street and lots identified as A – F without a permit shall be subject to a fine for Overnight Parking as established in this chapter. Any additional violation of this section shall be subject to penalties established under this ordinance or New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA). Vehicles in violation of this section may be subject to removal at the owner's expense. For the purposes of this section, motor vehicle shall include motor cycles, mopeds, moto scooters and trailers as defined by New Hampshire RSA.

c. The Chief of Police shall direct signs to be erected conspicuously at the entrances of each municipal parking lot indicating overnight parking is prohibited without a permit issued by the Littleton Police Department.

d. If a permittee fails to update their vehicle and contact information resulting in their vehicle being towed from the lot, the permittee shall be responsible for all fees and fines associated with the vehicle removal. The Town of Littleton is not responsible for damages to vehicles lawfully towed under this section.

e. Permittees may be required to move their vehicle for, but not limited to, parking lot maintenance, parking lot closures for municipal sanctioned events and parking lot snow removal. Permit holders who fail to move their vehicle after timely notification from the Littleton Police Department, may have their vehicle towed at the permittee's expense.

****Section 7. Parking Regulation "VIIc a through e" was adopted on November 27, 2023**

It shall be unlawful to park on any way in the Town of Littleton from November 1 through April 15 between the hours of 12:00 am and 5:00 am. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful to park on Main Street between the intersection of W. Main Street and Meadow Street and the Town Building intersection from April 15 through October 31, between the hours of 12:00 am and 5:00 am. Violation shall result in a fine of not less than \$25.00.

IX. Any person who fails to pay such fines as issued in this section within 5 business days shall be subject to an additional fine of \$20.00 per violation. Any person found in violation shall be notified by registered mail of such violation; that person then has 5 business days from the date of delivery of such notification to pay all such fines.

IXa. Immobilization of Vehicles: The Chief of Police or his designee may cause the immobilization of any motor vehicle by a mechanical device in accordance with the provisions of this section.

A. Notice: At any time, subsequent to the accumulation of five (5) unpaid parking violations or the accumulation of unpaid parking fines in excess of \$100.00 attributable to motor vehicle(s) registered to a known individual or registered owner, the Chief of Police or his designee may send a notice by certified mail to the registered owner of said vehicle(s). If the vehicle is subject to a temporary registration or the ownership is otherwise unknown, the notice may instead be affixed to the vehicle itself. Said notice may also be given by affixing same to any vehicle known to be registered to a specific individual or otherwise associated with a person meeting the criteria as detailed in this paragraph:

1. A statement that the recipient has accumulated fines in excess of \$100.00 and that they may contact the Littleton Police Department within five (5) days subsequent to the date of the notice for a list of the violations leading to the

issuance of the notice;

2. Contact information for the Littleton Police Department shall include a phone number, address and business hours;
3. a statement to the clear effect that failure to resolve the violations prior to a specified date not less than five (5) days subsequent to the date of the notice, will lead to the immobilization of any vehicle registered in the name of the individual pending such resolution;
4. a statement that the recipient of the notice may contact the Chief of Police or his appropriate designee to arrange a meeting on the subject of the violations.
Per Section 7, paragraph XI, Appeals

- B. Appeals: At the request (in writing) of any recipient of a notice pursuant to this section, the Chief of Police or his designee shall arrange a meeting within 48 hours of said receipt, excluding weekends and holidays. An official charged with the administration of parking enforcement or his or her designee shall be present at the hearing. The hearing shall be conducted M-F during normal business hours (9-4). Such meeting shall be informal and the rules of evidence shall not apply. At such meetings, the individual that is the subject of the meeting may present any defense of law or fact which is relevant to the issue of whether or not his or her name or vehicle should be placed on the list of owners whose vehicles are subject to immobilization. The decision of the Chief of Police or his designee shall be final subject only to judicial review.
- C. Immobilization List: The Chief of Police or his designee shall maintain a list of vehicles or individuals whose vehicles are subject to being immobilized by mechanical device pending final resolution of unpaid parking violations. Contained on this list shall be all individuals for which the notice specified in Section A above was provided. Individuals shall not be placed on this list in the event that the Chief of Police, or his designee, after meeting, orders otherwise, or in the event that the parking fine is paid in full for all violations contained in the notice mail.
- D. Immobilization: Upon determination that an individual whose name or vehicle is listed in the immobilization list pursuant to Section C above and has a vehicle registered in their name that is parked on any public way or in any municipal parking lot, that vehicle may be immobilized.
- E. Immobilization for Unauthorized Parking: For violations of Chapter 1, Section 7:II, (Restricted Parking Areas) or Section 7:VIIc. (Permit Parking Areas – Permit Required), the Chief of Police or his designee may cause the immobilization of a vehicle parked in violation of this section of the ordinance without prior notice to the owner, provided the restricted parking area or permit parking area is posted with an official sign warning that unauthorized vehicles will be subject to immobilization, fines and immobilization device removal fees.
- F. Release of Immobilized Vehicle; Removal From List: Individuals may be removed from the immobilization list and/or have immobilization devices removed from their vehicles in the following manner: By order of the Chief of Police or his designee after an appeal meeting or by payment in full of all parking fines and fees attributable, arising out of the violations that caused the immobilization under Chapter 1, Section 7.
- G. Removal of Immobilized Vehicles: Individuals that have not arranged for the removal of an immobilization device on their vehicle within 24 hours of immobilization under Section F. may have their vehicle towed at the discretion of the Chief of Police or his designee. Said individual

shall be responsible for towing and storage charges pursuant to NH RSA 262:33. The amount of the towing and storage charges shall be determined by the towing company providing the service. All charges shall be reasonable.

H. Fine for Removal: Any person removing an immobilization device without authority shall be guilty of a violation punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.

****Section 7. Parking Regulation “IXa Immobilization of Vehicles was adopted on May 12, 2025**

X. Any person still found in violation of this Section after being duly notified by registered mail, shall be subject to a summons to Littleton District Court and may be fined not more than \$1,000.00 per violation under RSA 31:39.

XI. Appeals – Any person who wishes to appeal a parking ticket may do so within 5 business days of the date of issue. The appeal shall be submitted on the form provided by the Littleton Police Department. The form shall be dated and signed by the person making the appeal. Please forward to:

Chief of Police
Littleton Police Department 2 Kittridge Lane
Littleton, NH 03561 The decision of the Chief shall be final.
SECTION 8. UNNECESSARY NOISE

No person shall operate any vehicle in the Town of Littleton so as to make loud, unusual or unnecessary noise as hereinafter defined.

The words LOUD, UNUSUAL OR UNNECESSARY NOISE whenever used in this Section shall include any noise occasioned by any one or more of the following actions of the operator of any vehicle.

Misuse of power exceeding the traction limits in acceleration, commonly known as “laying down rubber” or “peeling rubber”; or,

Misuse of braking power exceeding the traction limits in acceleration where there is no emergency; or,

Rapid acceleration or deceleration by either quick up-shifting or quick down- shifting of transmission gears with either standard or automatic transmission; or,

Racing of engines by manipulation of the gas pedal, carburetor or gear selection whether the vehicle is standing or in motion; or,

The blowing of any horn except as a warning signal or the use of any other noise making device whether the vehicle is either in motion or standing.

When noise under Section 8 is emanating from a vehicle's sound system or any portable sound system located within a vehicle, a law enforcement officer shall be considered a person of average sensibilities for purposes of determining whether the volume of such noise constitutes a breach of the peace, public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm, and the officer may take enforcement action to abate such noise upon detecting the noise, or upon receiving a complaint from another person. Said aforementioned noise is considered a breach of peace and a violation

of this chapter.

Penalty – Any person found in violation of the regulations set out in this Section shall be subject to a penalty. This will be done in accordance with CHAPTER 20 of the Littleton Town Ordinances.

Addendum to Littleton Town Ordinances – Chapter 1 Traffic Regulations (11/24/2014)

No Parking Zones

It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park a motor vehicle at any time on either side of the street within 75 feet the Littleton High School block intersections identified below, contrary to any of the following provisions of this Section unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer.

Maple Street High Street

Oak Hill Avenue School Street

Authorization for Restricted Parking Signage on 220 Cottage Street June 1, 2015)

This notice serves as authorization for the Chief of Police to erect two (2) ADA signs at 220 Cottage Street in accordance with the Town of Littleton's Traffic Regulations Ordinance, Chapter 1, Section 3.

Erection of Signs

NO THROUGH TRUCKING ON PUBLIC WAYS WHERE SIGNS ARE ERECTED
(April 22, 2019)

By virtue of the authority vested to the Board of Selectmen by New Hampshire RSA 41: 11, 47: 17VII and VIII, and any other applicable statute under New Hampshire law, we, the members of the Select Board for the Town of Littleton, enact the following regulation.

Purpose: To provide safety of residents, vehicles, and pedestrians on Town roads; to maintain useful life of roadways; and to direct commercial traffic to appropriate roadways.

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Town of Littleton, through the Select Board, ordains that:

No person shall operate a truck as defined in Section II on the following streets, in a manner that allows the operator to travel from one end of the street to the opposite end as through traffic without stopping for either business or as a resident of that street:

Ammonoosuc Street, Grove Street, Herbert Lane, Hidden Brook Road, Mount Eustis Road (Section from intersection of Industrial Drive to Cottage Street), Riverside Drive, Saranac Street, South Street.

Exemptions

The following are exempt from the prohibition of through trucking:

Municipal vehicles or contractors working for the town;

Emergency vehicles;

School and public transportation vehicles;

Public utility vehicles in performance of official duties;

Vehicles making local deliveries within excluded portions of roads;

Vehicles of private contractors engaged to perform work on behalf of the Town, public utilities, or owners of property abutting or otherwise having access from the excluded portion of said roads or any other road accessible only via the excluded section of road;

Vehicles owned by a property owner performing work on their own behalf on property that abuts or otherwise is accessed from the excluded roadway.

**Municipal Sidewalk Winter Care Restrictions
(November 28, 2022)**

It shall be a violation of this Chapter for any person or business to place, leave or construct any property on a municipal sidewalk between November 1st and April 15th of each year unless the owner of said property has received a waiver in writing from the Director of Public Works.