TOWN OF RUPERT AMENDED ORDINANCE FOR THE REGULATION OF SPEED

The purpose of the amended ordinance is to clarify locations, update speed limits and bring into conformation current standards of wording.

Section I. Definitions

The definitions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 4 are incorporated by reference.

Section II. Thirty mile speed limit

On the basis of engineering and traffic investigations, neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, the following speed limit is established. An operator of a motor vehicle shall not operate or drive a motor vehicle at a rate of speed greater than thirty miles per hour on the following designated highway:

1. <u>East Street</u>, Town Highway #4, beginning at the intersection with Vermont State Route 153, extending .35 miles and terminating at the intersection of the Lang Road (T.H.#23).

Section III. Thirty-five mile speed limit

On the basis of the engineering and traffic investigations, an operator of a motor vehicle shall not operate or drive a motor vehicle at a rate of speed greater than thirty-five miles per hour on the following designated highways:

- 1. <u>Vermont State Route 153</u>, Town Highway #1, beginning .40 miles north of the New York State Route 153 state line extending 1.20 miles through the village of West Rupert.
- 2. <u>Vermont State Route153</u>, Town Highway #1, beginning .60 miles south of the intersection with Vermont State Route 315 (T.H.#2) and extending .10 miles north.
- 3. <u>Vermont State Route 315</u>, Town Highway #2, beginning at the intersection with Vermont State Route 153 (T.H.#1) and extending easterly .30 miles.

4. <u>Dorset West Road</u>, Town Highway #2, beginning at the intersection with Route 315 (T.H.#2) extending .30 miles to the Dorset Town line.

Section IV. Forty mile speed limit

On the basis of the engineering and traffic investigations, an operator of a motor vehicle shall not operate or drive a motor vehicle at a rate of speed greater than forty miles per hour on the following designated highways:

- 1. <u>Vermont State Route 153</u>, Town Highway #1, beginning .50 miles north of the intersection of Route 153 (T.H.#1) with East Street (T.H.#4) and extending .60 miles south of the intersection of Route 153 (T.H.#1) and Vermont State Route 315 (T.H.# 2).
- 2. <u>Vermont State Route 315</u>, Town Highway #2, beginning .30 miles east of the intersection with Route 153 (T.H.#1) and extending to Pawlet Mountain Road (T.H.#3).
- 3. <u>Vermont State Route 315</u>, Town Highway #2, beginning .50 miles east of the intersection with Vermont State Route 30 and extending to Route 30.

Section V. Stop Signs

On the basis of engineering and traffic investigations, neighborhood character, abutting land use, bicycle and pedestrian use and physical characteristics of the highways, the following ordinance has been established. An operator of a motor vehicle shall bring his/her vehicle to a stop at the following intersections:

- 1. An operator of a motor vehicle traveling westerly on East Street (T.H.#4) shall bring his/her vehicle to a stop before turning onto Route 153 (T.H.#1).
- 2. An operator of a motor vehicle traveling south on Route 153 (T.H.#1) shall bring his/her vehicle to a stop before continuing south on Route 153 or before turning left onto Route 315 (T.H.#2).

Section VI. Signs

Signs indicating the speed limits provided for in this ordinance shall be posted conspicuously within the highway limits at the point where such speed limits become effective under this ordinance.

Section VII. Police and Fire Vehicles

The speed limitations set forth in this ordinance shall not apply to vehicles when operated with due care for safety under the direction of law enforcement officers in the performance of their duties, not to public or private ambulances when traveling in emergencies.

Section VIII. Penalties

A person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall be fined in accordance with the Vermont Traffic Bureau schedule of fines as attached herein.

Section IX. Enforcement Officials

This ordinance may be enforced by designated officers such as constable, police, sheriff, etc who are properly qualified law enforcement officers in the State of Vermont

Section X. Severability

If the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provision hereof be adjusted invalid such judgement shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

Section XI. Effective Date

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1007 and other general enactments as may be material hereto, this amended ordinance is hereby adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of Rupert, State of Vermont, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 33 day of 1974, 2006. Under 24 V.S.A. 1971, 1972, this ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Town of Rupert Selectboard.

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