

**Town of Whitefield
Parking Ordinance**

October 29, 2001

Attest: A true copy of an ordinance entitled "Town of Whitefield Parking Ordinance" as certified to me by the municipal officers of Whitefield on the 29th day of October, 2001.

Signature *Lucretia Benton Dixon*
Town Clerk of Whitefield

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Authority: This Parking Ordinance (hereinafter "the Ordinance") is adopted pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3009.

Purpose: This Ordinance is designed to protect public health and welfare by regulating the parking of motor vehicles on certain public ways. Unrestricted parking on public ways creates traffic hazards and is dangerous to pedestrians and motorists, and it is the purpose of this Ordinance to reduce this danger.

Definitions: For purposes of this Ordinance, the terms listed below are defined as follows; any other term used in this Ordinance shall have its common, ordinary meaning unless otherwise indicated.

"Public Way" means any town way or public easement as defined in 23 M.R.S.A. Section 3021 and any portion in of any State or State-aid highway located within the town. This term includes ways commonly designated as streets, lanes, roads and avenues and includes paved or unpaved shoulders of such ways.

"Motor Vehicle" is any vehicle defined in 29 M.R.S.A. Section 1.

Regulated Areas: When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall park any motor vehicle at any time on the following public ways or specified portions thereof: No parking on the school side of Route 126; no parking 250', east and west, from the center of the flagpole, Whitefield School southerly side of Route 126.

Exceptions: This Ordinance does not apply to motor vehicles that are parked in prohibited areas for the following reasons:

Mechanical problems or breakdown;
Emergency situations; or
Maintenance, construction, repair or installation of utilities or the public way by any State or municipal agency or utility company.

Penalties: Any person found in violation of this Ordinance by a Court of competent jurisdiction shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$100.00 nor less than \$25.00; all fines accrue to the municipality.

Persons charged with violating this Ordinance may waive court action by payment of a fee of \$15.00 within 7 days after receiving notice of the violation. Any such waiver and payment of fee shall be processed through the Town Clerk.

Enforcement: This Ordinance shall be enforced by the Law Enforcement Agencies or their duly appointed designee. Violation of this Ordinance shall be a traffic infraction and shall be prosecuted, if necessary, in the appropriate District Court.

Severability: In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found by a Court to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

Effective Date: This Ordinance shall become effective October 29, 2001, by a majority vote of the Municipal Officers.