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Crawford County, Pennsylvania**

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**Ordinance No. 1999-2**

AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH SHENANGO TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA RESTRICTING AND REGULATING THE USE OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP ROADS BY ESTABLISHING WEIGHT LIMITS FOR VEHICLES USING SAID ROADS, PROVIDING PERMIT AND BONDING PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS FOR USE IN EXCESS OF DESIGNATED WEIGHT LIMITS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.

*Whereas*, the Board of Supervisors has determined that certain Township roads may be seriously damaged or destroyed unless certain vehicles of excessive weight are prohibited; and

*Whereas*, the Township has authority under Section 4902 of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code to impose weight restrictions on Township roads under these circumstances.

*Whereas*, the Board of Supervisors has passed Ordinance No. 24 of 1977 restricting and regulating the use of Township roads by placing weight limits for vehicles using said Township roads, providing for the installation of signs indicating such restrictions and regulations, and providing for penalties for the violation of the ordinance.

*Now, Therefore, be It Ordained and Enacted* by the Board of Supervisors of South Shenango Township, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by and with the authority of same as follows:

**Section 1. Authority.** This Ordinance is enacted and shall be administered and enforced in accordance with the authority as set forth in the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, Section 4902, and such other applicable laws and regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation as they may be amended from time to time.

**Section 2. Overweight vehicles prohibited on certain Township roads.** No vehicle or combination including, but not limited to, any truck, tractor, trailer, semi-trailer, commercial vehicle, construction equipment, or other vehicle or equipment, with a gross weight in excess of the posted weight limit as established by this Ordinance and set forth in Schedule A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, shall be operated on a Township road which has been designated by this Ordinance in Schedule A as subject to a weight restriction and posted, unless a permit has been issued by the Township in accordance with the requirements of this Ordinance for such vehicle use.

**Section 3. Exceptions.** The following vehicles shall be exempted from these restrictions and the provisions of this Ordinance: school buses, emergency vehicles, vehicles making local

deliveries or pickups, and local traffic as defined in the applicable regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

**Section 4. *Signs.*** Upon adoption of this Ordinance, official signs designating the weight restrictions set forth in this Ordinance shall be erected or installed, and maintained by the Township in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 4902 of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, 75 Pa. C.S. § 4902 and the applicable regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation as may be amended from time to time.

**Section 5. *Permits and bonds required for use by over weight vehicles.*** Any person desiring to operate or to move any truck, tractor, trailer, semi-trailer, commercial vehicle, construction equipment or other vehicle or equipment of any nature whatsoever in excess of the weight limits provided herein, over the Township roads restricted as to weight as herein provided, with the specific exemptions set forth above in Section 3, shall apply to the Township for a permit for the movement of such vehicle in the manner established by this Ordinance. If it is determined by the Township Supervisors that such movement requested by the applicant for the permit can be made without causing excessive damage to the road which may cause the destruction of the road or a traffic hazard to other users of the road and the public, then the Township Supervisors may grant such permits subject to and conditional upon the execution of an Excess Maintenance Agreement in the form approved by the Supervisors, the provision of security in the nature of a surety bond or other security approved by the Township for the protection of the Township and the road, and the performance of all other requirements imposed by the applicable Pennsylvania Department of Transportation regulations relating to hauling in excess of posted weight limits, as amended, and other regulations of the Township as may be adopted by Resolution of the Township Supervisors from time to time.

**Section 6. *Applications, Fees, Bonds, Procedures, Agreements.*** Applications for a permit shall be submitted on forms to be provided by the Township, to the Township Secretary together with such fee as shall be established by Resolution of the Township Supervisors, and which shall be a minimum of \$15.00. Upon determination that a permit should be granted, the Township Supervisors or their designated representative shall inspect the subject road, prepare an inspection report, and obtain the required security, and properly executed Excess Maintenance Agreement before issuing the permit.

The form and content of the Excess Maintenance Agreement, and the type and form of bond or other security required shall be within the sound discretion of the Township Supervisors and in compliance with applicable regulations. The Township Supervisors are hereby authorized to execute an Excess Maintenance Agreement for permit issuance, substantially in the form of the Agreement which is attached to this Ordinance.

The Township Supervisors or their designated representative may impose conditions or restrictions on the permit as may be reasonable and necessary for the protection of the road and the public such as, but not limited to, time and manner of use.

The Township shall maintain all records relating to any permit granted for so long as the permit remains in effect and for a reasonable time thereafter.

**Section 7. *Penalty for violation.*** Any person operating or responsible for operation of a vehicle or combination upon a road in violation of the prohibitions and restrictions set forth in this Ordinance, or in violation of the terms of a permit issued in accordance with this Ordinance shall be guilty of a summary offense, and shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) plus One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for each 500 pounds, or part thereof, in excess of 3,000 pounds over the maximum allowable weight.

**Section 8. *Severability.*** It is hereby declared to be the intent of this Ordinance that the provisions hereof are severable and in the event that any Section of this Ordinance or part thereof should be declared unlawful or unconstitutional, the balance of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect as though said unlawful or unconstitutional provision had been omitted at the original passage of the Ordinance.

**Section 9. *Repeal.*** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

**Section 10. *Effective date.*** This Ordinance shall become effective five days after enactment.

*Ordained and Enacted* by the Board of Supervisors of South Shenango Township this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1999.

South Shenango Township

By: Joseph R. Knight

By: Thomas M. F...

By: Kelly L. Hornum

**Attest:**

By: Rebecca A. Soper

## Schedule A

South Shenango Township roads on which weight restrictions are imposed pursuant to South Shenango Township Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ and the weight limits imposed on such designated roads.

Roads	Description	Weight Lim
TR305-Unger Road	From the west terminus, the intersection with LR 20003, east to the intersection with U.S. Route 322, to east terminus.	15 ton
TR312-Snodgrass Road	From the south terminus, north to the north terminus at the intersection with LR 20005.	15 ton
TR329-Ralston Road	From the intersection with U.S. Route 322, east to TR342.	15 ton
TR333-Huckleberry Road	From TR342, east to West Fallowfield Township.	15 ton
TR342-Pitts Road	From T359-Fitch Road, south to the Mercer County Line.	15 ton
TR357-McArthur Drive	From the west terminus, east to the east terminus, at the intersection with U.S. Route 322.	15 ton
TR359-Fitch Road	From the west terminus, east to the east terminus, at the intersection with U.S. Route 322.	15 ton
TR361-Burns Road	From the intersection with LR 20003, west to the west terminus at the intersection with TR 312.	15 ton
TR365-Billy Q Drive	From the east terminus, at the intersection with TR 312, west to the est terminus.	15 ton
TR377-Hurlbert Road	From the east terminus, at the intersection with LR 20005 and TR 312, west to the west terminus, at the intersection with TR 401.	15 ton
TR401-Livingston Road	From the intersection with LR 20005, South Lake Road, east to boundary line running between South Shenango Township and West Fallowfield Township, to east terminus.	15 ton
TR505	From the intersection with T507, River Drive, east to the boundary line running between South Shenango Township and the Borough of Jamestown, Mercer County, to east terminus.	15 ton
TR511-Douthett Drive	From TR 505 to SR3005.	15 ton