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. Section1753, 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.

1.1. Any motor 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 motor vehicle, or parts thereof, on any Town highway, between the hours of 11 pm and 6am.

1.3. No person shall park any motor 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 motor 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 motor 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 motor 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 motor 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 motor 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 motor 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 motor vehicle, or parts thereof, at any time from the easterly side of the intersection of Phelps Lane & Vermont Route100 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 motor 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 motor 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 motor 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.

SEC #2 Town Designated Parking Lots

2.1. Parking will be allowed on a Town-owned designated lot, for motor vehicles having a valid inspection sticker and a valid registration. Proof of this must be plainly visible on the motor vehicle at all times.

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 long term parking allowed on any Town designated parking lots unless authorized by the Selectboard or its agents.
SEC #3 Enforcement

3.1. The Town may ticket, or tow or cause to be towed any motor vehicle, or parts thereof, found in violation of any portion of this ordinance. The cost of towing and any storage charges shall be paid by the owner or operator, or both, before that motor vehicle is returned to such person.

3.2. The Selectboard, or its agents, may cause any motor vehicle, or parts thereof, to be towed at the owner or operators, or both, expense, for any environmental hazard caused by any motor 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 motor vehicle to promptly remove the motor 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 motor 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--- $10.00. 2nd offense per vehicle for owner or operator--- $25.00. All other offenses per vehicle for owner or operator-$50.00

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.

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Readsboro Town Office
Readsboro General Store

Readsboro Selectboard dated 11/13/2019

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