TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, VERMONT
TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 23, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 1007 and 1008, and Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated, Sections 1971 and 2291 (1) (4) and (5), and other such general enactments as may be material hereto, it is hereby ordained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Brookfield, Vermont that the following Traffic Ordinance is adopted for the Town of Brookfield, Vermont.

ARTICLE I
DEFINITIONS

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

ARTICLE II
SCOPE

This ordinance establishes special traffic regulations on public highways within the Town of Brookfield, Vermont.

ARTICLE III
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the direction of a traffic control device except in response to the direction of a law enforcement officer.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally remove, injure, obstruct, deface, alter, or tamper with any traffic control device.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to install any sign or device which may resemble or be mistaken for an official traffic control device, without prior approval of the Town of Brookfield, Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE IV
SPEED REGULATIONS

On the basis of engineering and traffic studies and other rules and regulations regarding speed limits, the following speed limits are hereby established:

Bear Hill Road (TH 22) A maximum of 30 m.p.h. from the Braintree Town Line northerly to the intersection of Vermont State Route 65.

Crossover Road (TH 6) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from the intersection of West Street (TH 3) easterly to the intersection of Ridge Road (TH 2).

Eagle Peak Road (TH 19) A maximum of 25 m.p.h. from the intersection of West Brookfield Road (TH 4) and Roxbury Town Line Road (TH 38) northerly to the Roxbury Town Line. Eagle Peak Road West Fork and East Fork are also limited to a maximum of 25 m.p.h. for their entire length.

East Hill Road (TH 9) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from Vermont Route 14 to the intersection of Cemetery Street (TH 17) and Chelsea Road (TH 9).
East Street (TH 10) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from the intersection of Vermont Route 65 northerly to the intersection of Rood Pond Road (TH 7).

Northfield Road (TH 1) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from the intersection of West Street (TH 3/TH 65) westerly to the intersection of Vermont Route 12.

Ralph Road (TH 13) A maximum of 25 m.p.h. from the intersection of Stone Road (TH 1) easterly to the intersection of East Street (TH 10).

Ridge Road (TH 2) A maximum of 40 m.p.h. from the Randolph Town Line northerly 1.63 miles and then a maximum speed of 30 m.p.h. for .33 miles, then a maximum of 40 m.p.h. to the intersection of Vermont Route 65.

Rood Pond Road (TH 7) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from the intersection of East Street (TH 10) and School House Road (TH 7) to the Williamstown Town Line.

Roxbury Line Road (TH 38) A maximum of 25 m.p.h. from the intersection of West Brookfield Road (TH 4) and Cram Hill Road (TH 38) for 0.2 miles and then a maximum of 35 m.p.h. northerly to the Roxbury Town Line.

School House Road (TH 7) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from the intersection of Stone Road easterly to the intersection of Rood Pond Road (TH 7) and East Street (TH 10).

Stone Road (TH 1/TH 7/TH 8) A maximum of 25 m.p.h. from the intersection of Vermont Route 65 northerly running .25 miles north of the intersection with Vermont State Route 65, then a maximum of 35 m.p.h. to the Williamstown Town Line.

West Brookfield Road (TH 4) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from the intersection of Vermont 12 to the intersection of Witts Bridge Road (TH 41) then a maximum of 25 m.p.h. to the end of West Brookfield Road at the intersection of Cram Hill Road (TH 38) and Roxbury Line Road (TH 38).

West Street (TH 3/TH 65) A maximum of 35 m.p.h. from the Randolph Town Line northerly to the intersection of Vermont Route 65, then then a maximum of 30 m.p.h. northerly to the intersection of Northfield Road (TH 1).

The above speed limits shall be posted in accordance with the standards set forth in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and shall be in effect when so posted.

ARTICLE V
STOP AND YIELD INTERSECTIONS

Section 1. The following intersections shall be designated as “STOP” intersections and shall be so signed:

Bailey Road (TH 18) entering Steele Hill Road (TH 19)
Blodgett Street (TH 31) entering Ridge Road (TH 2)
Crossover Road (TH 6) entering Ridge Road (TH 2)
Eagle Peak Road (TH 19) West Fork entering Steele Hill Road
Eagle Peak Road (TH 19) East Fork entering West Brookfield Road (TH 4)
Eagle Peak Road (TH 19) West Fork entering Roxbury Line Road (TH 38) at Cram Hill Road (TH 38)
Farnsworth Lane (TH 28) entering Cemetery Street (TH 17)
Farnsworth Lane (TH 28) entering East Hill Road (TH 9)
Horner Road entering Northfield Road (TH 1)
Halfway Brook Road (TH 35) entering Chelsea Road (TH 9)
Holman Drive (TH 44) entering West Street (TH 3)
Kibbee Road (TH 48) entering either Lavender Road (TH 48) or Snow Road (TH 52)
Kibbee Road Extension (TH 51) East Fork entering Kibbee Road (TH 48)
Lamson Pond Road (TH 59) entering Northfield Road (TH 1)
Lavender Road (TH 48) entering Morgan Mile Road (TH 31)
Macredey Road (TH 36) entering Halfway Brook Road (TH 35)
Northfield Road (TH 1) North Fork entering Stone Road (TH 1/TH 7)
Old Cross Road (TH 74) entering Stone Road (TH 7)
Old Post Road (TH 31/TH 32) entering Ridge Road (TH 2)
Old Stage Road (TH 45) entering Ridge Road (TH 2)
Parker Drive (TH 37) entering Halfway Brook Road (TH 35)
Ralph Road (TH 13) North Fork entering Stone Road (TH 1)
Ralph Road (TH 13) South Fork entering Stone Road (TH 1)
Ralph Road (TH 13) entering East Street (TH 10)
Rowley Street (TH 27) entering East Hill Road (TH 9)
School House Road (TH 7) entering Stone Road (TH 8)
Small Road (TH 58) entering Eagle Peak Road (TH 19)
Spencer Lane (TH 26) entering Ridge Road (TH 2)
Twin Pond Road (TH 12) entering East Street (TH 10)
Upper Maloney Road (TH 23) entering Bear Hill Road (TH 22)
West Street (TH 65) West Fork entering Northfield Road (TH 1)
Witts Bridge Road (TH 41) entering West Brookfield Road (TH 4)

Section 2. The following Intersections shall be designated as “YIELD” intersections and shall be so signed:

Cemetery Street (TH 17) East Fork entering Chelsea Road (TH 9)
Cemetery Street (TH 17) West Fork entering East Hill Road (TH 9)
ARTICLE VI
PARKING REGULATIONS

Section 1.  

a. It shall be unlawful to park on the West side of Stone Road from the intersection of Vermont State Route 65 running northerly to 0.25 miles north of the intersection with Vermont State Route 65.

b. There will be no overnight parking on Brookfield Town Highways.

c. There will be no parking of unattended vehicles at any time between December 1 and April 15 on Brookfield Town Highways.

Section 2.  

Any vehicle parked in violation of the provisions of this article may be ticketed (fined) and/or summarily removed at the owner’s expense, by order of a duly
authorized law enforcement officer or the Brookfield Road Crew Foreman (or his
designee from the Brookfield Town Road Crew).

Section 3. If the owner of a vehicle summarily removed under Section 2 hereof does not
claim such vehicle and pay all fines, towing, and storage expenses within thirty
(30) days of the date of such removal, the title to such vehicle shall escheat to
the Town and the vehicle may be sold or otherwise disposed of in accordance
with Title 27, Vermont Statues Annotated, Section 11.

Section 4. Nothing in this article shall be construed to make unlawful vehicular stops in
obedience to the direction of a law enforcement officer or for causes beyond the
control of the operator.

Section 5. Emergency vehicles shall be exempt from these parking regulations.

ARTICLE VII
DESIGNATED ONE-WAY-STREETS

(Reserved)

ARTICLE VIII
LOADED VEHICLES

Section 1. Movement of Vehicles:

No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any street or road unless such vehicle is so
constructed or loaded so as to prevent its contents from dropping, sitting, leaking, or
otherwise escaping therefrom.

Section 2. Legal Load Limits:

Brookfield's Town Highway load limits retain the Vermont Agency of Transportation's
24,000 lb. standard, with the Town Highway Department posting bridges and roads with
revised limits as necessary for safe travel as mandated by state laws and regulations.

ARTICLE IX
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Separate Offenses:

Each violation of a provision of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 2. Penalties:

The provisions of this ordinance shall be cumulative to the fullest extent permitted by law
with respect to all other statutes or ordinances now or hereafter adopted regardless of
their order of passage or enactment.

Section 3. Severability:

The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable and if any provisions hereof
be adjudged invalid such judgement shall not affect the validity of any other provisions.
Section 4. Designation:
This ordinance may be referred to as the Brookfield Traffic Ordinance and in a prosecution hereunder a copy of such ordinance, certified by the Town Clerk, shall be prima facie evidence thereof. An allegation that the act constituting the offense charged is contrary to a specified provision of this ordinance shall be a sufficient reference hereto.

Section 5. Repeal of Prior Ordinances:
This Ordinance shall repeal and replace the Town of Brookfield Traffic Ordinance adopted November 14, 1994 and the Town of Brookfield Parking Ordinance adopted December 8, 1983. All other Brookfield Town Ordinances remain in full effect.

Section 6. Publication and Posting:
This proposed ordinance shall be publicly warned in the Herald of Randolph on November 16, 2017 and shall be filed with the Brookfield Town Clerk on November 16, 2017. A public hearing will be held on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Brookfield Town Clerk’s Office.

Adopted by the Board of Selectmen, Town of Brookfield at its meeting held on the 11th day of December, 2017.

For the Brookfield Selectboard:

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John Benson (Chair)

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Jeff Kimmel

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Cory Haggett