



# Town of Newton, NH

Newton Town Hall: P.O. Box 378, Town Hall Road, Newton, NH 03858

Town Hall Hours: Monday - Wednesday, 8am - 4pm; Thursday 12pm - 8pm

## Parking Ordinance - Town Hall/Town Hall Road



Office of the Board of Selectmen  
2 Town Hall Road, Newton, NH 03858  
Tel: 382-4405 ext. 10 \* Fax 382-9140  
[www.newton-nh.gov](http://www.newton-nh.gov)

### ARTICLE 1

- Section 1:** Purpose and Intent
- Section 2:** Prohibited and Authorized Parking
- Section 3:** Violations and Penalties
- Section 4:** Severability

#### TOWN OF NEWTON PARKING ORDINANCE – Town Hall/Town Hall Road

**h** RSA's 31:39, 41:11, 47:17 XVIII, 265:69, 262:32, 231:132-a the Town of Newton hereby adopts the following Ordinance to regulate vehicle parking on specific municipal property known as the Newton Town Hall Parking Lot and the public way known as Town Hall Road and to provide for the promotion of public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare, prosperity and the peace and quiet of the Town and its citizens.

#### Section 1: **Purpose and Intent**

The Newton Town Hall is municipal property and a public institution operated for the public good and essential to the operation of the Town's business and Town Hall Road is a Town accepted public way within the Town of Newton, located within a residential zone, and also the address of the Town Hall. The Town Hall's business includes voting, tax information and collection, and other general government and public business, all of which create excessive traffic and parking congestion for the described roadway which causes detrimental affects on public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare, prosperity and the peace and quiet of the Town and its citizens. Therefore, the Town ordains it necessary and appropriate to enact the following provisions and prohibitions.

#### Section 2: **Prohibited and Authorized Parking**

##### **A. Prohibited:**

1. The parking of vehicles shall be generally prohibited at any location on the public way, on Town Hall Road.

Reasoning: Town Hall Road is a class VI highway, as defined by RSA 229:5, which is primarily graded and curved. At no point does Town Hall Road allow for parking, with a minimum view distance of two hundred (200) feet from each direction as prescribed by RSA 265:68. Town Hall Road is also narrow and any vehicle parked on the public way would be a menace to traffic if allowed to remain.

**B. Authorized:**

1. The parking of vehicles shall only be authorized in the parking spaces outlined and specifically marked on the south, east and southeast sides of the Town Hall Building.
2. Unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Selectmen parking shall be limited to Town Hall business hours only.
3. Employee parking shall be limited to the parking area located to the southeast of the Town Hall Building.

**Section 3: Violations and Penalties**

Any vehicle parked in violation of Section 2, subsection A of this ordinance shall;

A. If a vehicle, trailer, or combination thereof is not determined to be an immediate traffic menace or other public safety hazard shall be subject to a fine of \$ 50.

B. If a vehicle, trailer, or combination thereof is determined to be an immediate traffic menace, a nuisance to snow removal or other public safety hazard shall be removed and stored according to current policy of the Newton Police Department as provided by RSA 262:32. The registered vehicle owner, in addition to being responsible for all costs associated with such removal, shall also be a fined as defined in subsection A of this section, and as provided by RSA 231:132-a.

**Section 4: Severability**

Should any provision of this Ordinance be held invalid by any court of authority or competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not effect, impair or invalidate any remaining provisions which shall remain in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

Adopted July 21, 2008