



TRAFFIC RULES AND REGULATIONS

Vote to Approve The Town of Bedford Traffic Rules and Regulations

WHEREAS, Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 85, Section 2 thereof and the Town of Bedford General Bylaws Article 11, Section 11 thereof authorize the Selectmen to establish Traffic Rules and Regulations for the Town of Bedford; and,

WHEREAS, the Selectmen hereby determine that it is in the interest of the Town to revise the existing Traffic Rules and Regulations;

NOW THEREFORE, the Selectmen hereby repeal any and all Traffic Rules, Regulations and Orders previously approved by the Selectmen and adopt revised Traffic Rules and Regulations as attached hereto.

Approved this 3rd day of October, 2005.

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ARTICLE I: Definitions

For the purpose of these Rules and Regulations, the words and phrases used herein shall have the following meanings, except in those instances where the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

Bicycle Lane - Any area or space except sidewalks set aside within a roadway for the exclusive use of bicyclists or pedestrians and which has been indicated by signs or markings.

Bus - Any vehicle designed for carrying more than nine (9) passengers and used primarily for the transportation of persons.

Bus Stop - An area in a roadway set aside for the boarding of or alighting from buses.

Caution Signal - A flashing yellow signal having the same general function as a warning sign.

Channelizing Island - A traffic island located to guide traffic along certain paths.

Crossover - An opening in a channelizing island that connects both sides of a divided roadway.

Crosswalk - That portion of a roadway ordinarily included within the extensions of the sidewalk lines, or if none, then the footpath lines, and, at any place in a roadway, clearly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or pavement marking upon the roadway surface.

Curb Marking - That portion of curbing, the painting of which has been duly authorized by the Director of Public Works.

Department of Public Works – The Bedford Department of Public Works unless indicated otherwise.

Emergency Vehicle - Fire, police, ambulance and emergency vehicles of federal, state or municipal departments or public service corporations as are commonly recognized as such.

Funeral - Any procession of mourners properly identified as such accompanying the remains of a human body.

General Laws – The Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) as adopted by the State Legislature and approved by the Governor.

Heavy Commercial Vehicle - Any commercial vehicle of two and one-half (2 1/2) ton capacity or greater.

Intersection - The area embraced within the extensions of the lateral curb lines, or if none, then the lateral boundary lines of intersecting ways as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

These Rules and Regulations governing and restricting the movement of vehicles at and near intersecting ways shall apply at any place along a way at which drivers are to be controlled by traffic control signals whether or not such place is an intersection as herein defined.

Lane - A longitudinal division of a roadway of sufficient width to accommodate the passage of a single line of vehicles, whether or not such lane is indicated by pavement markings.

Manual of Uniformed Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) – The latest edition of the document, as published by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration.

Officer - Any police officer or other person authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.

One-Way Highways - Roadways or streets, designated by these Rules and Regulations as one-way and upon which vehicular traffic may move only in the direction indicated by signs or pavement markings.

Parking - The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, other than for the temporary purpose of and while actually loading or unloading, or in obedience to an officer or traffic signs or signals, or while making emergency repairs, or, if disabled, while arrangements are being made to move such vehicle.

Pavement Marking - Any painted line, legend or marking placed upon a roadway to direct or regulate traffic and which has been authorized by the Department of Public Works.

Pedestrian - Any person afoot or riding in a wheel chair.

Person - The word "Person" shall mean and include any individual, firm, partnership, association or corporation.

Railroad Crossing - Any intersection of ways with a railroad right of way.

Roadway - That portion of a street or highway between the regularly established curb lines exclusive of shoulders, improved and intended to be used for vehicular traffic.

Selectmen – The duly elected Bedford Selectmen.

Service Zone - An area duly marked set aside for the accommodation of commercial and transient vehicular traffic engaged in the loading or unloading of materials.

Sidewalk - That portion of a street or highway set aside for pedestrian travel, including any area between the edges of a travel way and edge of sidewalk.

Stop Line – A solid white pavement marking extending across a lane to indicate the point at which a stop is required to be made.

Stop Signal - A flashing red signal having the same function as a stop sign.

Stop Sign – A red, octagonal sign, placed only when duly authorized, to indicate the point at which a vehicle must stop.

Street or Highway - The entire width between property lines of every way open to the use of the public for purposes of travel.

Taxicab Stand - An area in the roadway in which taxicabs are required to park while waiting to be engaged.

Traffic - Vehicles, pedestrians, ridden animals, bicycles or other conveyances either singly or together using any street or highway for the purpose of travel.

Traffic Control Area - Any area along a roadway, at which drivers are to be controlled.

Traffic Control Signals - All signals, conforming to the standards as prescribed by the Massachusetts Highway Department, erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction for the purpose of directing or warning traffic.

Traffic Island - Any area within a roadway, which is not intended for use by vehicular traffic.

Traffic Signs - All signs, markings and devices other than signals, consistent with these Rules and Regulations, and which conform to the standards prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (M.U.T.C.D.) and placed or erected

by authority of the Selectmen, or in the case of a state highway the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purpose of guiding, directing, warning or regulating traffic.

U-Turns - The turning of a vehicle by means of a continuous left turn whereby the direction of such vehicle is reversed.

Vehicle - Any device, including bicycles in, upon or by which any person or property is transported upon a roadway, excluding wheelchair.

Yield Sign – A red, triangular sign, placed only when duly authorized, indicate that approaching vehicles must either slow down or stop when necessary to avoid interfering with conflicting traffic.

ARTICLE II: AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF POLICE AND SELECTMEN

Section 1. Selectmen Authority to Promulgate Rules and Regulations

The Selectmen are authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 85, Section 2 and by the Town of Bedford General Bylaws Article 11, Section 11 (as amended through Annual Town Meeting 2005) to establish Traffic Rules and Regulations for the Town of Bedford.

Section 2. Officers to Direct Traffic

It shall be the duty of Officers designated by the Chief of Police to enforce the provisions of these Rules and Regulations. Such Officers are hereby authorized to direct all traffic either in person or by means of visible or audible signal in conformance with the provisions of these Rules and Regulations provided that in the event of a fire or other emergency, in order to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, employees of the Fire Department or Department of Public Works may direct traffic notwithstanding the provisions of these Rules and Regulations.

Section 3. Police May Temporarily Close Streets

The Chief of Police may temporarily close any street or highway in an impending or existing emergency, or for any lawful assemblage, demonstration or procession provided there is reasonable justification for the closing of such street.

Section 4. Police May Temporarily Prohibit Parking

The Chief of Police may temporarily prohibit parking on any street or highway or part thereof in an impending or existing emergency, or for a lawful assemblage, demonstration or procession provided there is reasonable justification for such prohibition. Vehicles parked in places where parking is so prohibited may be moved by or under the direction of an Officer.

Section 5. Obedience to Police

Operators of vehicles shall comply with any lawful or reasonable order, signal or direction of any Officer.

Section 6. Exemptions

The provisions of these Rules and Regulations shall not apply to operators actually engaged in work upon a street or highway closed to travel or under construction or repair, to officers, when engaged in the performance of public duties, nor to drivers of emergency vehicles while operating in an emergency and in performance of public duties when the nature of the work or any of these necessitates a departure from any part of these Rules and Regulations. These exemptions shall not, however, protect the operator of any vehicles from the consequence of reckless disregard of the safety of others.

Section 7. Emergency and Experimental Regulations

For purposes of trial, the Selectmen may make temporary rules regulating traffic, or test under actual conditions, traffic signs, signals, markings or other devices. No such emergency or experimental rule regulating traffic shall remain in effect for a period of time longer than sixty days.

ARTICLE III: TRAFFIC SIGNS, SIGNALS, MARKINGS AND ZONES

Section 1. Traffic Signs and Signals

The Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to place and maintain all official traffic signs, signals and markings. All signs, signals and markings shall conform to the standard as prescribed by the M.U.T.C.D.

Sections 2 and 3 of Article II and Sections 2 to 4 inclusive of Article IV relating to parking and Section 15 of Article VII concerning turning shall be effective only during such time as official signs are erected and maintained designating the provisions of such sections and located so as to be easily visible to approaching drivers. Sufficient number of such signs must be provided so that a car cannot be parked in a limited or prohibited parking place without having the legend side of such a sign, visible and clearly setting forth the parking regulation.

Section 2. Display of Unauthorized Signs, Signals and Markings Prohibited

It shall be unlawful for any person to place, maintain or display upon or in view of any street any unofficial sign, signal or marking which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic sign, signal or marking, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic or which hides from view any official sign or signal. The Chief of Police and Director of Public Works is hereby empowered to remove any such sign, signal or marking or cause it to be removed, without notice.

Section 3. Interference with Sign, Signals and Markings Prohibited

Any person who willfully defaces, damages, moves, removes, obstructs or interferes with any official traffic sign, signal, street sign or marking shall be subject to full restitution for the cost of replacing the sign, criminal prosecution or both.

Section 4. Location of Bus Stops, Taxicab Stands and Service Zones

The location of all bus stops, taxicab stands and service zones shall be specified by the Selectmen.

Section 5. Obedience to Traffic Signs and Signals

No operator of any vehicle shall disobey the instructions of any official traffic control sign, signal, marking or legend unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

ARTICLE IV: PARKING

Section 1. General Prohibitions

No person shall park a vehicle and no person shall allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in his or her name to be parked in any of the following places:

- (a) Within an intersection.
- (b) Upon a sidewalk.
- (c) Upon or within 10 feet of any crosswalk.
- (d) Upon any street or highway upon accumulation of two (2) inches of snow and until twenty-four (24) hours after snowfall has ceased.
- (e) Adjacent to any center division strip or island placed upon and being a part of any street or highway.
- (f) Within a crossover.
- (g) Upon a roadway where parking is permitted unless both wheels on the right side of the vehicle are within 12 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway, except on those streets that are designated as one-way streets. On such one-way streets vehicles shall be parked in the direction of permitted travel and with both wheels within twelve (12) inches of the curb or edge of roadway.
- (h) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street in such a manner as to constitute double line or multiple line parking.

- (i) Upon any roadway where the parking of a vehicle will not leave a clear and unobstructed lane at least ten (10) feet wide for passing traffic.
- (j) Upon any street or highway within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant.
- (k) Upon or in front of any private road or driveway without the consent of the owner of said private road or driveway.
- (l) Upon any street or highway, within twenty (20) feet of an intersecting way.
- (m) On bridges or approaches thereto.
- (n) Upon any street or highway where the parking of a vehicle will obstruct or hide from view any traffic control signal or detector.
- (o) Within a designated turnaround.
- (p) Within a bicycle lane.
- (q) Within a fire lane.
- (r) Within a handicap zone without proper authority.

Section 2. Parking Locations and Prohibitions

Parking is prohibited, restricted or limited as to time, space and streets in accordance with Schedule #1 hereto appended. No operator shall park a vehicle in a designated prohibited location or in a restricted location for a period longer than is designated in Schedule #1.

Section 3. Bus Stops

No person shall stop or park a vehicle, except a bus, at any place designated as a bus stop in accordance with Schedule #2 hereto appended.

No person shall stop a bus upon any street to discharge or take on passengers at any place other than those designated as bus stops noted in Schedule #2 and duly marked as such.

Section 4. Parking within Designated Spaces

Each vehicle shall be entirely within the painted lines designated for its individual use.

Section 5. No All-Night Parking

It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle, other than in an emergency, to park said vehicle on any street or any municipal off-street parking area between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. of any day.

Section 6. Parking Vehicles for Sale Prohibited

It shall be unlawful for any person to park upon a street, highway or off-street parking area controlled by the Town, any vehicle displayed for sale.

Section 7. Repairing of Vehicles

No person shall repair, wash or clean vehicles or other conveyances or cause them to be repaired, washed or cleaned in or upon any public way or municipal parking area, nor shall any person occupy any part of a public way or off-street parking area controlled by the Town as storage for any vehicle. In the event of an emergency, temporary repairs may be made.

ARTICLE V: ADVERTISING SIGNS, TRUCKING AND PARADES

Section 1. Using Vehicle for Sole Purpose of Displaying Advertising Prohibited

No person shall operate or park a vehicle on any street or highway for the purpose of displaying advertising signs.

Section 2. Parades and Processions

No procession or parade except a funeral as provided by these Rules and Regulations shall occupy, march or proceed along any street or highway except in accordance with a permit issued by the Chief of Police and such other regulations as are set forth herein which may apply.

ARTICLE VI: ONE-WAY TRAFFIC

Section 1. One-Way Traffic

The streets or municipal off-street parking areas or parts thereof designated in Schedule #3 hereto appended shall have one-way traffic and all vehicles shall move on these streets or municipal off-street parking areas or parts thereof in the direction so designated.

ARTICLE VII: OPERATION OF VEHICLES

Section 1. Passing Vehicle Traveling in Same Direction

Except as herein otherwise provided, the driver of a vehicle passing another vehicle traveling in the same direction shall drive a safe distance to the left of such other vehicle; and, if the way is of sufficient width for the two vehicles to pass, the driver of the leading one shall not unnecessarily obstruct the other. Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of an overtaken vehicle shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on visible signal and shall not increase the speed of his or her vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

The driver of a vehicle may, if the roadway is free from obstruction and of sufficient width for two or more lines of moving vehicles, overtake and pass upon the right of another vehicle when the vehicle overtaken is (a) making or about to make a left turn or (b) upon a one-way street.

Section 2. Obstructing Traffic

No person shall drive in such a manner as to unnecessarily obstruct the normal movement of traffic upon any street or highway. Officers are hereby authorized to require any driver who fails to comply with this section to drive to the side of the roadway and wait until such traffic that has been delayed has passed.

The driver of a motor vehicle shall not cross or enter an intersection, unless it is unable to proceed through without stopping or blocking vehicles from traveling in the free direction. A green light is no defense to blocking an intersection. If necessary, the driver must wait for another cycle of the traffic signals in order to proceed.

Section 3. Following too Closely

The driver of a vehicle shall not follow another vehicle closer than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard to the speed of such vehicle and the traffic upon and condition of the street or highway.

Section 4. Slow Vehicles to Stay 200 Feet Apart

Upon roadways less than twenty-seven feet wide and upon which vehicular traffic is permitted to operate in both directions, the driver of any slow-moving commercial vehicle when traveling outside of a business or residential district shall not follow another slow-moving commercial vehicle within two hundred (200) feet, but this shall not be construed to prevent such slow-moving commercial vehicle from overtaking and passing another slow-moving commercial vehicle. This section shall not apply to funerals or other lawful processions.

Section 5. Care in Starting, Stopping, Turning or Backing

The driver of any vehicle before starting, stopping, turning from a direct line, or backing shall first see that such movement can be made safely. If such movement cannot be made safely or it interferes unduly with the normal movement of other traffic, said driver shall wait for a more favorable opportunity to make such a movement. If the operation of another vehicle should be affected by a stopping or turning movement, the driver of such other vehicle shall be given a plainly visible signal, as required by Chapter 90, Section 14B of the General Laws (Ter.Ed.).

Section 6. Sound Horn When Necessary

The driver of a vehicle shall give an audible warning with a horn or other suitable warning device whenever necessary to ensure safe operation.

Section 7. Obedience to Traffic Control Signals

Color and arrow indications of traffic control signals shall have the commands described to them in this section and no other meanings and every driver of a vehicle shall comply therewith, except when otherwise directed by an Officer or by a lawful traffic regulating sign (other than a "stop sign"), signal or device or as provided in Section 12 of this Article. In no case shall a driver enter or proceed through an intersection without due regard to the safety of other persons within the intersection regardless of what indications may be given by traffic control signals.

- (a) Green: While the green lens is illuminated, drivers facing the signal may proceed, but shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians within the intersection. The driver of a vehicle shall not cross or enter and intersection which it is unable to proceed through, without stopping and thereby blocking other vehicles from traveling in a free direction. A green light is no defense to blocking the intersection. The driver must wait for another cycle of the signal light, if necessary.
- (b) Green Arrows: When a green arrow is illuminated for a travel lane, drivers in that lane may make a turn in the direction of the arrow.
- (c) Yellow: While the yellow lens is illuminated, a driver shall stop if it is safe to do so. If a driver is already stopped at an intersection, they shall not proceed until the green light is illuminated.
- (d) Flashing Yellow: A flashing yellow lens shall indicate a warning. A driver shall slow and proceed with caution.
- (e) Red: While the red lens is illuminated, drivers facing the signal shall stop just prior to the stop line, provided however, that if a green arrow is illuminated at the same time, drivers may enter the intersection to make the movement permitted by such arrow. A driver may make a right turn on a red signal only after coming to a complete stop; then they shall obey the right-of-way laws and proceed when it is safe to do so. A driver may not make a turn on a red signal if there is a "NO TURN ON RED" sign posted.
- (f) Flashing Red: When a red lens or red arrow is illuminated in a traffic control signal by intermittent flashes, a driver must come to a complete stop, obey the right-of-way laws and proceed when it is safe to do so. If a white stop line or cross walk is present, the driver must stop before the line. When there are no pavement markings, the driver must stop as close to the intersection as needed to view traffic in both directions before entering the intersection.
- (g) Traffic Lights Not Function: If signals are blacked out or not functioning, a driver shall treat the intersection as having Stop Signs in all directions and proceed when it is safe to do so.

Section 8. Keep to the Right of Roadway Division

Upon such roadways as are divided by a grass plot, or by any structure or area, drivers shall keep to the right of such a division except when otherwise directed by an officer, signs, signals or markings.

Section 9. Driving On Streets Under Construction or Repair

No operator shall enter upon any street or highway or section thereof, when, by reason of construction, maintenance or because of some unprotected hazard, the street is closed to travel, and one or more signs, lights or signals have been erected to indicate that all or part of the street or highway is not to be used, or when so advised by an Officer or Department of Public Works employee.

The Director of Public Works may temporarily close any street or highway or section thereof for the purposes of repair, construction and maintenance of the street or highway or the utilities within it, or because of some unprotected hazard and shall cause to be erected one or more signs, lights or signals to indicate that all or part of the road surface of the street or highway is not to be used. Officers or Department of Public Works employees may be used instead of, or to supplement, signs, lights or signals.

Section 10. No Driving on Sidewalks

The driver of a vehicle shall not drive upon any sidewalk except at a driveway.

Section 11. Funerals to be Properly Identified

A funeral composed entirely or partly of a procession of vehicles shall be identified as such by means of pennants bearing a purple symbol attached to all vehicles or every driver in the procession shall turn on the headlights of said vehicle.

Section 12. Rights and Duties of Drivers in Funeral or Other Processions

It shall be the duty of each driver in a funeral or other procession to keep as near to the right edge of the roadway as is feasible and to follow the vehicle ahead as closely as is practical and safe.

At an intersection where a traffic control signal is operating, the driver of the first vehicle in a funeral or other procession shall be the only one required to stop for a red or yellow indication.

At an intersection where a lawful stop or yield sign exists, the driver of the first vehicle in a funeral or other procession shall be the only one required to stop before proceeding through the intersection.

Section 13. Emerging from Alley or Private Driveway

The operator of a vehicle emerging from a private road, driveway or garage shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving upon the sidewalk area extending across such driveway or garage, and where no such sidewalk exists the stop shall be made at the building or property line as the case may be and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right of way to all vehicles and pedestrians approaching on the roadway or sidewalk.

Section 14. Driving or Parking on Channelizing Island

No person shall drive over or park a motor vehicle upon any channelizing island as defined in these Rules and Regulations, unless directed to do so by a police officer.

Section 15. Prohibited Turns

No operator shall back or turn a vehicle so as to proceed in the direction opposite to that in which the vehicle is headed or traveling on the streets or parts of streets designated in Schedule #3 hereto appended.

Section 16. Workers and Equipment in Street

Whenever traffic signs or construction barricades are erected or warning lights are displayed in or adjacent to a street to notify of the presence of workers and equipment, in such street every motorist shall regulate the speed of his vehicle in a manner and to a degree consistent with the particular condition.

Section 17. Obedience to Isolated Stop Signs

Except when directed to proceed by a police officer, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop sign or a flashing red signal indication shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or, if none, then at the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway before entering it. After having stopped, the driver shall yield the right of way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the time when such driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways.

In accordance with the foregoing, the erection and maintenance of official Stop Signs or flashing red signal indications are authorized so as to face the streets or intersections as provided in Schedule #5 of these Rules and Regulations.

Section 18. Obedience to Yield Signs

The driver of a vehicle approaching a yield sign shall slow down to a speed reasonable for the existing conditions and, if required for safety to stop, shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or, if none, then at the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway before entering it. After slowing or stopping, the driver shall yield the right of way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the time such driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways; provided, however, that if such a driver is involved in a collision with a vehicle in the intersection or junction of roadways, after driving past a yield sign without stopping, such collision shall be deemed prima facie evidence of his failure to yield the right of way.

In accordance with the foregoing, the erection and maintenance of official Yield signs is authorized so as to face the streets or intersections as provided for in Schedule #5 of these Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE VIII: PEDESTRIAN CONTROL REGULATIONS

Section 1. Pedestrian Crossing Ways or Roadways

Pedestrians shall obey police officers directing traffic. Whenever there is an officer directing traffic, a traffic control signal or marked crosswalk within three hundred (300) feet, a pedestrian shall cross a way or roadway at such location.

Section 2. Pedestrian Actuation

At a traffic control location where pedestrian indications are provided but which are shown only upon actuation by means of a pedestrian push button, no pedestrian shall cross a roadway unless or until the pedestrian control signal push button has been actuated and then cross only on the proper pedestrian signal indication. At traffic control signal locations where no pedestrian indication is provided, pedestrians shall cross only on the green indication.

At a traffic control signal location, pedestrians shall yield the right of way to vehicles of a funeral or other processions or authorized emergency vehicles while in performance of emergency duties regardless of the signal indication given, and they shall not attempt to cross the roadway until such vehicles or procession has passed at which time pedestrian shall then cross the roadway only as provided in these regulations.

Section 3. Pedestrian Obedience to Traffic Control Signals

Traffic control signal color indications and legends shall have the commands ascribed to them in this section and no other meanings; and every pedestrian shall comply therewith, except when otherwise directed by an Officer.

- (a) Red or "DON'T WALK" or Don't Walk symbol Whenever the red lens, the "DON'T WALK" or Don't Walk Symbol are illuminated in a traffic signal where pedestrian indications are provided, pedestrians approaching or facing such

indication shall wait on the sidewalk, edge of roadway or in the pedestrian refuge area of a traffic island and shall not enter upon or cross a roadway until the proper indication is illuminated.

- (b) Yellow Alone, Red Alone or Flashing "DON'T WALK" Pedestrians approaching or facing a yellow, red or flashing "DON'T WALK" illuminated indication shall not start to cross a roadway.
- (c) "WALK" or Walk Symbol Whenever the single word "WALK" or walk symbol is illuminated, pedestrians facing such indications may proceed across the roadway and in the direction of such signal only. Any pedestrian who has partially completed his crossing on the walk indication shall proceed or return to the nearest sidewalk or safety island on the yellow indication, the red indication or when the words "DON'T WALK" or Walk Symbol are illuminated by intermittent flashes.
- (d) Green Alone At traffic signal locations where no pedestrian indication is provided, pedestrians facing the signal may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the green indication.
- (e) Flashing Red, Yellow or Green At any traffic control signal location where a flashing red or flashing yellow indication is being given facing a crosswalk, pedestrians shall actuate, where provided, the pedestrian signal indication and cross the roadway only on the "WALK" indication. If no pedestrian signal is provided, pedestrians shall cross within crosswalks with due care.

Section 4. Pedestrian Crossing and Use of Roadway

It shall be unlawful for any person to actuate a pedestrian control signal unless a crossing of the road is intended.

Section 5. Operators to Exercise Due Care

The provisions of these regulations shall in no way abrogate the provisions of Chapter 90, Section 14 and 14A of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) which provide: "precautions for Safety of Other Travelers" and for the "Protection of Blind Persons Crossing Ways". Furthermore, notwithstanding the provisions of these Rules and Regulations, every operator of a vehicle shall exercise due care to avoid colliding with any pedestrian upon the roadway and shall give warning by sounding the horn when necessary and shall exercise proper precautions which may become necessary for safe operation.

Section 6. Exemptions

The provisions of these Rules and Regulations governing the use of ways by pedestrians shall not apply to pedestrians actually engaged in work upon a roadway closed to travel or under construction or repair, to municipal, state, federal or public service corporation employees while in the performance of their duties, to Officers engaged in the performance of their public duties or to pedestrians acting in an emergency when such emergency necessitates departure from any part of these Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE IX: GENERAL PROVISIONS AND PENALTIES

Section 1. Drivers Must Report Accidents

The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in the injury or death of any person, or property damage to an apparent total extent of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to any one vehicle or other property shall report such accidents to police within five (5) days, as required by Chapter 90, Section 26 of the General Laws.

Section 2. Owner Prima Facie Responsible for Violations

If any vehicle is found upon any street or highway in violation of any provisions of these Rules and Regulations and the identity of the driver cannot be determined, the owner or the person in whose name such vehicle is registered or last known registered owner if not presently registered, shall be held prima facie responsible for such violation.

Section 3. Penalties

Any person convicted of a violation of any rule, regulation or order made hereunder, except as otherwise provided herein by regulation or by Massachusetts General Law, shall be punished by a fine equal to the corresponding section of the M.G.L., as amended.

Pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 90 Section 20C of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.), any person violating any rule, regulation or order made herein regulating the parking of motor vehicles shall be punished by a fine for each offense as hereinafter set forth:

Group A - \$20.00

1. Within intersection
2. Upon sidewalk or crosswalk
3. Parking against direction of travel (Wrong Direction)
4. Wheels greater than twelve (12) inches from edge of pavement
5. Less than ten (10) feet of unobstructed lane
6. Within ten (10) feet of a hydrant
7. Upon a private road or across a driveway
8. Within twenty (20) feet of an intersection
9. Upon a street or highway posted no parking
10. Bus stop
11. Snowfall greater than two (2) inches
12. Improper parking
13. Restricted area

Group B - \$25.00

1. All night parking
2. Snow Removal

Group C - \$200.00

1. In a handicap zone without proper authority.

Pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 89, Section 7A of the General Law and Article 44.1 (Parking Regulations – Fire Lanes) of the Bedford General Bylaws, any person violating any rule, regulation or order made regulating the parking of motor vehicles within a Fire Lane shall be punished by a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense.

Section 4. Repeal of Rules Previously Adopted

All rules previously adopted by the Selectmen for the purpose of governing or restricting traffic are hereby repealed and all other rules or regulations or parts thereof in conflict with or inconsistent with any provisions of these Rules and Regulations are hereby repealed, except that this repeal shall not affect or prevent the prosecution or punishment of any person for any act done or committed in violation of any rules or regulations hereby repealed, prior to the taking effect of these Rules and Regulations.

Section 5. Effect of Regulations

All existing rules and regulations governing the operation of vehicles or the use of ways by pedestrians, which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby expressly repealed. This repeal shall not, however, affect any punishment or penalty imposed or any complaint or prosecution pending at the time of passage hereof for any offense committed under any of the said rules and regulations hereby repealed. If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of these Rules and Regulations is for any reason unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of these Rules and Regulations. The Selectmen of the Town of Bedford hereby declare that they would have passed these Rules and Regulations and each section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that anyone or more sections, sub-sections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

SCHEDULE #1 PARKING PROHIBITED OR RESTRICTED

Section A. On Street Restrictions

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>RESTRICTION</u>
Bacon Road	Westerly	Great Road	40 feet southerly	No Parking
Commercial Ave	Westerly	Railroad Ave	1 Commercial	No Parking
Davis Road east	Easterly	80 feet west	Concord Road	No Parking
Davis Road east	Westerly	Concord Road	170 feet west	No Parking
Dudley Road	Northerly	at Pickman east		No Parking on Grass
Elm Street	Westerly	Great Road	Maple Street	No Parking
Fletcher Road	Westerly	Great Road	310 feet northerly	No Parking
Fletcher Road	Easterly	Great Road	120 feet northerly	No Parking
Great Road	Northerly	Loomis Street	Springs Road	No Parking
Great Road	Northerly	Springs Road	Fletcher Road	One hour parking
Great Road	Southerly	North Road	Mudge Way	No Parking
Great Road	Southerly	Elm Street	South Road	One hour parking
Great Road	Southerly	South Road	Loomis Street	No Parking
Hartwell Road	Easterly	Elm Brook	Bagley Avenue	No Parking
Hartwell Road	Westerly	Elm Brook	Bagley Avenue	No Parking
Hillside Avenue	Easterly	Great Road	140 feet northerly	No Parking
Hillside Avenue	Westerly	Great Road	300 feet northerly	No Parking
Loomis Street	Northerly	Webber Avenue	200 feet westerly	No Parking
Loomis Street	Westerly	CVS Driveway	Great Road	No Parking
Loomis Street	Easterly	Great Road	CVS Driveway	No Parking
Maple Street	Southerly	Elm Street	South Road	No Parking
Railroad Ave	Easterly	G Field	Tennis Courts	No Parking
Railroad Ave	Westerly	Tennis Courts	G Field	No Parking
Shawsheen Ave	Northerly	Great Road	550 feet easterly	No Parking
Shawsheen Ave	Southerly	Great Road	550 feet easterly	No Parking
South Road	Easterly	opp. Maple Street		No Parking
Springs Road	Easterly	Great Road	150 feet northerly	No Parking
Springs Road	Westerly	Great Road	150 feet northerly	No Parking
Springs Road	Northerly	Hancock Street	Hillside Ave.	No Parking
Wiggins Ave	Easterly	at Bike Path		No Parking
Wiggins Ave	Westerly	at Bike Path		No Parking

SCHEDULE #1 PARKING PROHIBITED OR RESTRICTED

Section B. Municipal Facilities

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>RESTRICTION</u>
Public Library (3) parallel spaces)	North	Mudge Way	Parking Lot	30 minute parking
Public Library (25 standard spaces)	North	along northerly edge of lot		No Parking 7:00 AM–8:30 AM Monday – Friday
Public Library (13 standard spaces)	West	along westerly edge of building		No Parking 7:00 AM – 8:30 AM Monday – Friday
Public Library (12 standard spaces)	South	along southerly side of building		No Parking 7:00 AM – 8:30 AM Monday – Friday
High School & Library		Parking in numbered spaces		By Permit Only 7:00 AM – 2:30 PM Monday – Friday
Town Hall/Police Station/ Town Center Parking Lot		All spaces in lot		No Parking 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM Monday – Friday Except by permit

**SCHEDULE #2
BUS STOPS**

LOCATION

POLE STOP

Bedford Woods	east side of building #174
Burlington Road	Mitre Driveway
Crosby Drive	#9 Crosby Drive
Crosby Drive	#23 Crosby Drive
Crosby Drive	Middlesex Turnpike
Great Road	Perham Street
Great Road	Masardis Street
Great Road	Shawsheen Road
Great Road	Great Road Shopping Center
Great Road	Roberts Drive
Great Road	Brooksbie Road
Loomis Street	Great Road
Loomis Street	Webber Avenue
Loomis Street	Hartford Street
Oak Park Drive	#3 Oak Park Drive
Oak Park Drive	at Rotary
South Road	Railroad Avenue
South Road	Hartford Street
South Road	Crescent Avenue
South Road	Great Road
Springs Road	Hancock Street
Springs Road	Hillside Avenue
Springs Road	Nickerson Road
Springs Road	Pine Hill Road

**SCHEDULE #3
ONE-WAY TRAFFIC**

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DIRECTION</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Ashby Road	Northerly	Walsh Road	Great Road
Elm Street	Southerly	Great Road	Maple Street
Maple Street	Easterly	Elm Street	South Road
Oak Park Drive	Southerly	around rotary	
Walsh Road	Southerly	Great Road	Ashby Road

SCHEDULE #4 PROHIBITED OR REGULATED TURNS

Section A. Regulated Turns

1. **Left Lane Must Turn Left**

Ashby Road NB at Great Road
Brooksby Road WB at Great Road
Burlington Road EB at Route 3 South
Burlington Road EB at Crosby Drive
Burlington Road EB at Network Drive
Crosby Drive SB at Burlington Road
Dudley Road EB at North Road
Great Road EB at Hillside Avenue
Great Road EB at 168 Great Road (Bedford Shopping Center)
Great Road EB at 200 Great Road
Great Road EB at Brooksby Road
Great Road EB at Shawsheen Avenue
Great Road EB & WB between 200 Great Road and Webber Avenue
Great Road WB at 297 Great Road (Great Road Shopping Center)
Great Road WB at Loomis Street
Great Road WB at Bacon Road
Great Road WB at Concord Road
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 174 Middlesex Turnpike (Bedford Woods)
Middlesex Turnpike SB at Albion Road
174 Middlesex Turnpike (Bedford Woods) EB at Middlesex Turnpike
North Road NB at Carlisle Road
South Road NB at Great Road
Walsh Road SB at Ashby Road
Winterberry Way EB at Carlisle Road

Upon Completion of Crosby Drive and Middlesex Turnpike Roadway Improvements:

Middlesex Turnpike NB at 30 Middlesex Turnpike (Mitre)
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 36 Middlesex Turnpike (Mitre)
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 40 Middlesex Turnpike (Mitre)
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 44 Middlesex Turnpike (Renaissance Hotel)
Middlesex Turnpike SB at Dawes Drive (Brickstone Development)
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 50 Middlesex Turnpike
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 54 Middlesex Turnpike
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 55 Middlesex Turnpike
Middlesex Turnpike SB at 59 Middlesex Turnpike
Middlesex Turnpike NB at Crosby Drive
Middlesex Turnpike SB at Plank Street
Crosby Drive at Middlesex Turnpike
Middlesex Turnpike NB at Oak Park Drive
Middlesex Turnpike SB at 155 Middlesex Turnpike (Woburn Sportsman Club)
Middlesex Turnpike NB at 160 Middlesex Turnpike (F.W. Webb)
Middlesex Turnpike SB at 175 Middlesex Turnpike (Continental Resources)

SCHEDULE #4 PROHIBITED OR REGULATED TURNS

Section A. Regulated Turns (cont.)

2. Right Lane Must Turn Right

Ashby Road NB at Great Road
Brooksby Road WB at Great Road
Burlington Road EB at Route 3 South ramp
Burlington Road WB at Route 3 North ramp
Burlington Road WB at Crosby Drive
Burlington Road WB at Route 3 South ramp
Crosby Drive SB at Burlington Road
Dudley Road EB at North Road
Great Road EB at 297 Great Road (Great Road Shopping Center)
Great Road WB at Shawsheen Road
Great Road WB at Brooksby Road
Great Road WB at 168 Great Road (Bedford Shopping Center)
Loomis Street NB at Great Road
174 Middlesex Turnpike (Bedford Woods) NB at Middlesex Turnpike
Walsh Road SB at Millipore Bridge
Winterberry Way EB at Carlisle Road

Upon Completion of Crosby Drive and Middlesex Turnpike Roadway Improvements:
Crosby Drive NB at Middlesex Tpke
Dawes Drive (Brickstone Development) SB at Middlesex Turnpike
Middlesex Turnpike SB at Crosby Drive
Middlesex Turnpike SB at Oak Park Drive

Section B. Prohibited Turns

1. No Left Turn

156 Great Road (Post Office Distribution driveway) at Great Road
168 Great Road (Bedford Shopping Center) at Great Road
Great Road EB at 168 Great Road – signalized driveway

SCHEDULE #5 YIELD SIGNS AND STOP SIGNS

<u>STREET</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>REGULATION</u>
Carlisle Road	South at North Road	Yield
Concord Road	East at Great Road	Yield
Shawsheen Avenue	West at Great Road	Yield
Summer Street	West at South Road	Yield
Webber Avenue	South at Loomis Street	Yield
Ashby Road	North at Great Road	Stop
Bacon Road	North at Great Road	Stop
Brooksbie Road	West at Great Road	Stop
Coachmen Lane	East at Revolutionary Ridge Road	Stop
Concord Road	East at North Road	Stop
Crosby Road	East at Crosby Drive	Stop
Davis Road (East)	East at #79 Concord Road	Stop
Davis Road (West)	South at #371 Concord Road	Stop
Davis School	west at Davis Road	Stop
Dudley Road	East at North Road	Stop
Fitchdale Avenue	West at Fletcher Road	Stop
Fox Run Road	North at #614 Springs Road	Stop
Franklin Road	West at Sunset Road	Stop
Gould Road (North)	West at Springs Road	Stop
Hartwell Road (East)	East at South Road	Stop
Hartwell Road (West)	North at Concord Road	Stop
Hayden Lane	North at Sweetwater Avenue	Stop
Hemlock Lane	South at Page Road	Stop
Hillside Avenue	South at Great Road	Stop
Hume Road	North at Burlington Road	Stop
Job Lane School drive	South at Sweetwater Avenue	Stop
John Glenn Middle School drive	North at Railroad Avenue	Stop
Lane Avenue	North at Great Road	Stop
Loomis Street	West at South Road	Stop
North Road	South at Concord Road	Stop
North Road	South at Chelmsford Road	Stop
Old Billerica Road	South at Page Road east	Stop
Old Billerica Road	South at Burlington Road	Stop
Page Road	East at Brooksbie Road	Stop
Page Road	West at Old Billerica Road (2)	Stop
Page Road	West at Springs Road	Stop
Pine Hill Road	West at North Road	Stop
Pine Hill Road	East at Springs Road	Stop
Railroad Avenue	East and west at Middle School drive	Stop
Railroad Avenue	East at South Road	Stop
Railroad Avenue	West at McMahon Road	Stop
Revolutionary Ridge	North at Davis Road	Stop
Robinson Drive	North at Wilson Road	Stop
Shawsheen Road	North at Page Road	Stop
South Road	East at South Road & Summer Street	Stop
Springs Road	South at Hancock Street	Stop
Springs Road	North at Hillside Avenue	Stop
Springs Road	North at Page & Pine Hill Road	Stop
Springs Road	South at Page & Pine Hill Road	Stop
Sweetwater Ave	West at North Road	Stop
Ten Acres Drive	South at Concord Road	Stop
Wagon Wheel Drive	West at Old Stagecoach Road	Stop
Webber Avenue	North at Great Road	Stop
Wiggins Avenue	South at Summer Street	Stop
Wiggins Avenue	Northwest at Millipore Driveway	Stop
Wilson Road	South at Page Road	Stop
Winchester Drive	North at McMahon Road	Stop
Winterberry Road	East at Carlisle Road	Stop

YD Road

East at Pine Street

Stop