

## **TOWN OF NEW IPSWICH**

### **MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT ORDINANCE FOR THROUGH TRUCKS ON TOWN HIGHWAYS**

#### **Purpose**

The Board of Selectmen (Board) seeks to reduce wear and tear on Town highways and to improve traffic safety. To help achieve these goals, the Board is establishing weight limits for through-truck traffic on certain Town highways.

#### **Statutory Authority**

RSA 31:39, I(g); RSA 41-11; RSA 47:17, VII-VIII; RSA 231:191

#### **Restriction**

No person shall operate a truck (RSA 259:115-b) as a through traffic on any Town highway posted for weight limits if the truck's gross weight exceeds the posted weight limit. A truck shall be deemed to be through truck unless it is making a delivery on the posted road or it is being driven by an operator whose residence is located on the posted road. Through trucks are subject to the weight limits specified in parentheses on the following Town highway(s):

Davis Village Road, I

Ashby Road, Mason Road and River Road (Six-Ton Weight Limit / 12,000 lbs)

#### **Exemptions**

School buses, government-owned vehicles and emergency vehicles shall be exempt from this ordinance. Residents who only can access their residence or business from the posted road also are exempt from this ordinance.

#### **Waivers**

The Board shall have the authority to waive this ordinance for impacted persons. An impacted person seeking a waiver must submit a request in writing and indicate why a waiver should be granted. A waiver shall be valid only if the Board or its designee provides it in written form, and it may include such conditions and restrictions as the Board deems appropriate.

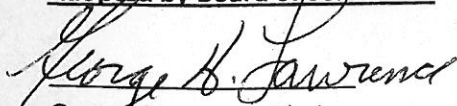
#### **Penalty**

A person failing to comply with this ordinance shall be guilty of a violation. Each violation shall be deemed to be a separate offense and subject to a separate fine. The maximum penalty for each violation is \$1,000 (RSA 31:39, III).

#### **Effective Date**

This ordinance will become effective seven calendar days after it is adopted by the Board of Selectmen, or if later, two days after weight limits have been posted on duly erected traffic signs.

#### **Adopted by Board of Selectmen**

  
George Lawrence, Chairman

  
Rebecca M. Doyle, Selectman

  
Woody Meiszner, Selectman

**Date Adopted or Amended**

December 13, 2011, November 25, 2014

**Received by Town Clerk**

**Date Recorded**