

TOWN OF FAIRFAX

ROAD CLOSURE POLICY

WHEREAS, the Town of Fairfax Selectboard has determined it is in the best interest of Fairfax, Vermont that it has a written policy and procedure concerning requests for temporary road closures, to include closures to: one lane or both lanes of travel of a town roadway, or the entire length of a town road, for any of the Fairfax Town public roads.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF FAIRFAX SELECTBOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, VERMONT as follows:

This Policy is enacted pursuant to the provisions of Title 23 V.S.A. Chapter 13, Section 1008a.

1. All Fairfax public town road closures shall be initiated by filing a written request, within (4) four weeks/30 days of the event, to the Town of Fairfax Selectboard. This written notice must be executed by the person or entity who is requesting the temporary town road closure.

The Franklin County Sheriff's will be notified immediately after the Selectboard approves the written request.

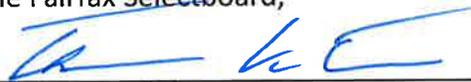
2. The written requests for a temporary road closure shall list the following:
 - a. The reason for the closure;
 - b. Will it involve one lane of travel, both lanes of travel and the entire road;
 - c. The date(s) of the event/closure;
 - d. The time of the closure and its duration;
 - e. The Traffic control providers, if applicable.
3. This request will be forwarded to the Fairfax Public Safety entities to include: the Fairfax Fire Department, the Fairfax Rescue, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the Vermont State Police, by the Selectboard Assistant. Also, the Fairfax Utility Department, the Fairfax Town Highway and the BFA Fairfax School Department shall be notified, when applicable. The Selectboard Assistant will solicit the listed agencies to determine if there are any concerns about the road closure. The Road Foreman will be notified.
4. The Fairfax Road Foreman will review the request for the road closure and review any solicited concerns by the entities.
5. The Fairfax Town Selectboard will then approve or deny the road closure request, prior to the road closure date.
6. **EXCLUSIONS:** Public Safety entities, the Fairfax Town Highway Department and the Fairfax Municipal Utility Departments, Green Mountain Power, FairPoint

Communications and Comcast communications are excluded from this Policy during a public safety emergency or when performing routing maintenance functions.

7. **Effective Date:** The Policy shall take effect upon final passage.
8. **Violation** of any provision of this Policy or regulation promulgated thereunder shall be deemed a traffic violation pursuant to Title 23 V.S.A. Sections 2201-2207, as presently enacted or as from time to time hereinafter amended. Any such violation constituting a traffic offense shall be prosecuted pursuant to Title 23 V.S.A. Sections 2201-2207 and any such violator will be subject to the procedures, provisions and penalties as outlined therein, and shall be considered a violation of Title 13 V.S.A. Section 7251 as presently enacted or as from time to time hereinafter amended.
9. **Notification** will take place one week prior to residents affected by the road closure.

Adopted this 18 day of May, 2015

The Fairfax Selectboard,











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