# Town of Franklin Ordinance on Prohibiting Parking on Roads During Emergencies & Roadwork

#### SECTION I: STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

It is in the best interest of the public safety, convenience and welfare of the Town of Franklin to regulate and restrict the parking of vehicles on roads and streets within the control and limits of said Town, during periods of emergency and whenever highway repairs or improvements are undertaken, so as not to impede the transportation and movement of food, fuel, medical care, fire, health, police protection and other vital facilities of the Town.

#### SECTION II: DEFINITIONS

- A) PARKING: leaving any vehicle on any road or street within the control and limits of the Town of Franklin, including either side of any such road or street.
- B) EMERGENCY: a serious natural or other disaster or sudden and unanticipated emergency, and such periods of time before or after the same which may be necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the people.
- C) HIGHWAY REPAIRS OR IMPROVEMENTS: any repairs, improvements, or extensions to roads or streets undertaken or authorized by the Town of Franklin and necessary to preserve and protect the public health, safety and welfare of the people.

#### SECTION III: REGULATIONS

- A) The First Selectman shall have the authority to prohibit parking on roads and streets during periods of emergency.
- B) The First Selectman shall have the authority to prohibit parking on roads and streets for such time as may be necessary to make repairs, improvements, or extensions to said roads or streets.
- C) It shall be unlawful for the owner of a vehicle, or the person in whose name it is registered, or the lessee of such vehicle, to allow, permit or suffer it to remain parked on any road or street if the First Selectman prohibits such parking during periods of emergency or whenever highway repairs or improvements are undertaken.
- D) The First Selectman, whenever possible and practicable, will endeavor to give notice to the public of any restriction regarding parking, as the same pertains to this Ordinance. However, failure to give such notice shall not excuse an individual from complying with said Ordinance.

## SECTION IV: ENFORCEMENT

Enforcement of this Ordinance shall be the responsibility of the Connecticut State Police in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes Chaptersr 246, 248 and 529, as the same may be amended from time to time.

#### SECTION V: PENALTIES

- A) Each violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding \$25.00.
- B) In addition, any vehicle which is parked in violation of this Ordinance may be towed, in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes Chapter 246, as the same may be amended from time to time, and the owner of the same, in addition to the aforementioned fine, shall be fully liable for the cost of towing the vehicle and any storage or lien charges that may properly be levied.

### SECTION VI: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance will become effectively thirty days after its publication in the newspaper.

PUBLISHED DATE: NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 1987 EFFECTIVE DATE: DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 1987