FULL SET
TRAFFIC REGULATION PERMIT

Under authority of Chapter.....85.....Section....2...of the General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, the Department of Public Works, hereby approves the Rules and Orders...made by the Board of Selectmen of.......Gill...........on.....September 17, 1974........with such stipulations and exceptions, if any, as are noted herein.

The validity of this permit is contingent upon the conformance of the signs, erected or used in connection with these rules and orders..............with the standards prescribed by the Department of Public Works.

This Traffic Regulation Permit covers erection of stop signs under traffic sign permits nos. B-2858 and B-2859.

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
By
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Traffic Engineer

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TRAFFIC RULES AND ORDERS

at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen, held in Gill on September 17, 1974, the following vote was duly passed:

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Gill, acting by virtue of the power given to it by Chapter 40, Section 22, of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) and by virtue of any other power it hereto enabling, hereby adopts and makes the following rules and orders for the regulation of traffic upon the streets and highways of said town, the same to be known as Traffic Rules and Orders of the Town of Gill, insofar as the said rules and orders or any of them are the same as any valid regulations, rules and orders now in force, they shall be deemed to be a continuation thereof.

ARTICLE I
DEFINITIONS

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

(a) "Street or Highway". The entire width between property lines of every way open to the use of the public for the purpose of travel.

(b) "Roadway". That portion of a street or highway between the regularly established curb lines or that part, exclusive of shoulders, improved and intended to be used for vehicular traffic.

(c) "Lane". A longitudinal division of a roadway into a strip of sufficient width to accommodate the passage of a single line of vehicles.

(d) "Vehicle". Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon any street or highway, including bicycles when the provisions of these rules are applicable to them, except other devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

(e) "Parking". The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in 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.

(f) "Official Traffic Signs". All signs, markings and devices, other than signals, not inconsistent with these rules and orders, and which conform to the standards prescribed by the Department of Public Works, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction, for the purpose of guiding, directing, warning or regulating traffic.
"Officer". For the purpose of these rules and orders an officer shall be construed to mean any officer, any constable or special officer, provided he has his badge of office displayed over his left breast and upon his outer garment.

"Emergency Vehicles". Vehicles of the Fire Department, Police vehicles, ambulances and emergency vehicle of the Federal, State and municipal departments or public service corporations when the latter are responding to an emergency in relation to the Police or Fire Departments.

"Official Street Marking". Any painted line, legend, marking or marker of any description painted or placed upon any way which purports to direct or regulate traffic and which has been authorized by the Board of Selectmen and which has the written approval of the Department of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

ARTICLE II

AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF POLICE

Section 1. Police to direct traffic.

It shall be the duty of the Police Officers to enforce the provisions of these rules and orders. Police Officers are hereby authorized to direct all traffic either in person or by means of visible or audible signal in conformation with the provisions of these rules and orders, provided that in the event of a fire or other emergency, to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, officers of the Police or Fire Department may direct traffic as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of these rules and orders.

Section 2. Police may close streets temporarily.

The police may close temporarily 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 3. Police may prohibit parking temporarily.

The Police may prohibit, temporarily, 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 prohibited temporarily may be moved by or under the direction of an officer.
Section 4. Exceptions.

The provisions of these rules and orders 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 orders. These exemptions shall not, however, protect the driver of any vehicle from the consequences of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

ARTICLE III

TRAFFIC SIGNS, SIGNALS, MARKINGS AND ZONES

Section 1. Interference with Signs, signals and Markings Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to wilfully deface, injure, move obstruct or interfere with any official traffic sign, signal or marking.

Section 2.

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

ARTICLE IV

PARKING

Section 1. General Prohibitions.

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

(a) Within an intersection.
(b) Upon any sidewalk.
(c) Upon any crosswalk.
(d) Upon the roadway in a rural or sparsely settled district.
(e) Upon a roadway where parking is permitted unless both wheels on the right side of the vehicle are within twelve (12) inches of the curb or edge of the roadway, except upon those streets which are designated as one-way streets. On such one-way streets vehicles shall be parked in the direction in which said vehicle is moving and with both wheels within twelve (12) inches of the curb.
(f) 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.
(g) Upon any street or highway within five (5) feet of a fire hydrant.
(h) In front of any private road or driveway.
(i) Upon any street or highway within twenty (20) feet of an intersecting way, except alleys.
Section 2. No All Night Parking

It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle, other than one acting in an emergency, to park said vehicle on any street for a period of time longer than one (1) hour between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M. of any day (between November 1 of one year and April 15 of the succeeding year).

ARTICLE V

OPERATION OF VEHICLES

Section 1. (a) Obedience to isolated "stop" signs

Every driver of vehicle, railway car, or other conveyance approaching an intersection of ways where there exists facing him an official sign bearing the word "STOP" or a flashing red signal indication, said sign or signal having apart from these rules and orders, the written approval of the Department of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and such approval being in effect, shall, before proceeding through the intersection, bring such vehicle, railway car, or other conveyance to a complete stop at such point as may be clearly marked by a sign or line, or if a point is not so marked, then at the nearer line or crosswalk of the said intersection. In the case of a line of two or more vehicles approaching such "STOP" sign, or flashing red signal indication, the drivers of the second and third vehicle in any group shall not be required to stop more than once before proceeding through the intersection. This section shall not apply when the traffic is otherwise directed by an officer or by a lawful traffic regulating sign, signal, or device.

In accordance with the foregoing, the erection and maintenance of an isolated stop sign, or signs or flashing red signals, as the case may be, thereto authorized as to face:
East and westbound drivers on Walnut Street at Fairview Avenue;
North and southbound drivers on Myrtle Street at Walnut Street;
East and westbound drivers on Oak Street at Fairview Avenue;
Westbound drivers on Walnut Street at Bridge Street;
Westbound drivers on Oak Street at Bridge Street;
Westbound drivers on Mountain Road at Main Road;
Eastbound drivers on West Gill Road at Main Road;
Eastbound drivers on South Cross Road at Main Road;
Eastbound drivers on Lyons Hill Road at Main Road;
Northbound drivers on River Road at Main Road;
Southbound drivers on Boyle Road at Main Road;
Eastbound drivers on Center Cross Road at Main Road;
Southbound drivers on Town Hall Drive at Main Road;
Eastbound drivers on North Cross Road at Main Road;
North and southbound drivers on Mt. Hermon Road at Main Road;
Southbound drivers on Back Road to Mt. Hermon at North Cross Road;
Northbound drivers on Boyle Road (both legs) at North Cross Road;
Eastbound drivers on Dole Road at West Gill Road;
Eastbound drivers on Hoe Shop at West Gill Road;
Westbound drivers on Center Cross Road at West Gill Road;
Eastbound drivers on Atherton Road at West Gill Road;
Westbound drivers on South Cross Road at West Gill Road; and
Northbound drivers on Lyons Hill Road at Center Cross Road.
(b) Flashing Red

When a red lens is illuminated in a traffic control signal by rapid intermittent flashes, and its use has been specifically authorized by the Department of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, drivers shall stop before entering the nearer line of crosswalk of the street intersection, or at a stop line when marked, and the right to proceed shall be governed by provisions of Chapter 89, Section 8 of the General Laws. (Ter. Ed.)
ARTICLE VI

RESPONSIBILITY, PENALTIES AND REPEALS

Section 1. 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 orders and the identity of the driver cannot be determined, the owner or the person in whose name such vehicle is registered, shall be held prima facie responsible for such violation.

Section 2. Penalties.

Any person convicted of a violation of any rule, regulation or order made hereunder, except as otherwise provided, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars ($20.) for such offense.

Section 3. Repeal

These rules are adopted with the intent that each of them shall have force and effect separately and independently of every other except insofar as by express reference or necessary implication any rule or any part of a rule is made dependent upon another rule or part thereof.

The provisions of these rules so far as they are the same in effect as those of any valid existing rules, orders or regulations heretofore made by the Selectmen of Gills, relative to or in connection with official signs, lights, markings, signal systems or devices shall be construed as a continuation thereof, but all other existing rules, orders and regulations so made for the regulation of vehicles are hereby expressly repealed. This repeal however, shall not affect any punishment or penalty imposed or complaint or prosecution pending at the time of the passage hereof for an offense committed under any of the valid rules, orders or regulations hereby repealed.

DATE OF PASSAGE: ______________

SIGNATURES OF: ____________________________

THE BOARD: _________________________________

OF SELECTMEN: _____________________________

ATTEST OF THE TOWN CLERK: ________________