Town of Middlebury Ordinance for the Regulation of Traffic Lights and Traffic Signs

The Town of Middlebury Ordinance for the Regulation of Traffic Lights and Traffic Signs, adopted 22 August 1972, and amended from time to time:

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Middlebury, pursuant to the Section 104B of the Middlebury Town Charter and such other state laws as are applicable, hereby make the following ordinance as to traffic lights, one way traffic streets, stop signs and yield right-of-way signs within the limits of the Town of Middlebury.

ARTICLE I

Section I DEFINITIONS

1. Traffic Control Device. Any sign, signal, marking, pavement striping or text, or other device used to regulate, restrict, or guide the movement of motor vehicles, placed on, over, or adjacent to a public street or highway, parking lot, pedestrian facility, or bikeway by authority of the Town of Middlebury or the State of Vermont.

ARTICLE II

Section I. TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS

The operator of a motor vehicle facing a traffic control signal exhibiting the word "Stop" or the color "Red" shall bring his vehicle to a complete stop, and shall not proceed until said traffic control signal exhibits the word "Go" or the color "Green", except when directed otherwise by a police officer.

Section II. FLASHING SIGNALS

Whenever a flashing red or yellow signal is used in a traffic sign or signal, it requires obedience by vehicular traffic as follows:

1. Flashing Red: Drivers shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an intersection or at a limit line when marked, or, if

there are none, before entering the intersection, and the right to proceed is subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign.

2. Flashing Yellow: Drivers of vehicles may proceed through the intersection or past the signal only with caution.

Section III. TURN ON RED SIGNAL

- 1. Right turn on red is prohibited at any intersection where a "No Right Turn" signal or red right turn arrow is activated.
- 2. Left turn on red is permissible eastbound on the southern loop of Court Square where it intersects the northbound lane after stopping and granting the right-of-way to northbound vehicles.

ARTICLE III

Section I. ONE-WAY STREETS

- 1. Where streets or any portion thereof have been designated as one-way streets, and signs are posted indicating the direction, drivers shall not move their vehicles contrary to the direction posted on the sign and/or pavement marking, unless directed otherwise by a traffic control person or police officer.
- 2. Drivers shall not enter a street when it is posted "DO NOT ENTER"

Section II. The following streets are hereby declared to be one-way streets:

Academy Street: Southbound travel only between College Street and South Main Street.

Bakery Lane: This Street shall be entered only from its intersection on Main Street. Motor vehicles shall exit from Bakery Lane through the municipal parking lot at its southern driveway.

College Street: Westbound from the intersection with Main Street to the intersection with Academy and Weybridge Streets.

Court Square: Motor vehicles shall proceed only in a counter clockwise manner, i.e.: only northerly on the roadway easterly of Court Square; only westerly on the roadway northerly of Court Square; only southerly on the roadway westerly of Court Square; and only easterly on the roadway southerly of Court Square.

Franklin Street: Motor Vehicles shall only proceed in a southerly direction between Academy Street and Storrs Avenue.

High Street: Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a northerly direction on this roadway from the roadway that leads to Chipman Hill to Route 7 (North Pleasant Street).

Merchants Row: Motor vehicles shall only proceed in an easterly direction on Merchants Row between Main Street and South Pleasant St and Court Square.

Methodist Lane: Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a westerly direction on this roadway.

Mill Street: Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a westerly direction on this roadway from its intersection with Main Street to 182 feet from the intersection of Mill Street and Weybridge Street.

MUHS Campus

- 1) Motor vehicles shall only proceed around the rotary traffic island, which makes up the bus loop in front of the main entrance and shall be driven only to the right of the island.
- 2) Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a northerly direction in the dropoff zone adjacent to the auditorium.
- 3) Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a southerly direction in the dropoff zone area south of the bus circle.

Park Street: Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a southerly direction on this roadway.

Pleasant Street: Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a southerly direction on this roadway from its intersection with the line which is a

projection of the southerly line of the highway on the north side of Court Square to its intersection with the northerly side of Merchants Row.

Printer's Lane: Motor vehicles shall only proceed in a north westerly direction on this roadway, i.e. off of Main Street, from its intersection with Main Street to the rear line of the Beckwith Block.

ARTICLE IV

Section I. DESIGNATION OF STOP SIGNS AT INTERSECTIONS

Stop signs shall be erected on the following streets for the regulation of traffic at the following intersections.

Abbey Pond Trail - West bound traffic at the intersection with Route 116.

Adirondack View - Northbound traffic at the intersection with College Street.

Airport Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Route 116

Bakery Lane - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Main Street.

Birchard Park - Southwest bound traffic at the intersection with Rogers Road.

Blake Roy Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with the Three Mile Bridge Road.

Blinn Lane - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

Boardman Street - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Route 7 South.

Brookside Drive - Northeast bound traffic at the intersection with Valley View. Southwest bound traffic at the intersection with Buttolph Drive.

Burnham Drive - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Mountain Road and Munson Road.

Buttolph Drive - 1)southbound traffic at the intersection with Monroe Street. 2) North and south bound traffic at the intersection with

Brookside Drive; 3) northbound traffic at the intersection with Washington Street; 4) north and southbound traffic at the intersection with Meadow Way.

Cady Cross Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with U.S. Route 7. Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Route 116.

Cedar Court – westbound at its intersection with Buttolph Drive

Charles Avenue - 1) Northbound traffic at the intersection with Duane Court. 2) Westerly bound traffic at the point where Charles Avenue makes a 90-degree turn thence continuing in a northerly direction. 3) Southbound traffic on Charles Avenue at the MUHS bus circle.

Chipman Park - Eastbound traffic at the north and south entrances intersecting with South Street.

Cobble Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Munger Street. Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Route 116.

Colonial Drive - Eastbound traffic from the north and south entrances intersecting with Washington Street Extension.

College Street – eastbound at its intersection with Academy and Weybridge Streets.

Cone Drive - North bound traffic at the intersection with Ossie Road (Route 116).

Courthouse Driveway - eastbound at its intersection with Buttolph Drive.

Creek Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with U.S. Route 7.

Danyow Drive - Eastbound traffic at the North and South intersections with Rogers Road.

Deerfield Lane - at its intersection with Middle Road

Duane Court - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Charles Avenue.

East Street - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Valley View. Northbound traffic at the intersection with Seminary Street Extension. East Munger Street - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Munger Street. North bound traffic at the intersection with Cobble Road. Elm Street - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with North Pleasant Street; Westbound traffic at the intersection with Exchange Street. Eastbound traffic at triangular island which delineates the intersection with Seymour Street and Exchange Street.

Exchange Street - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Elm Street. Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Route 7.

Field Road – southbound traffic at both intersections with Middle Road.

Foote Street - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Cady Cross Road and at the intersection with U.S. Route 7. Northbound traffic at the intersection with Cady Cross Road. Northbound traffic at the intersection with Quarry Road.

Forbes Circle - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Valley View Drive.

Forest Ridge Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Mountain Road/Schoolhouse Hill Road.

Franklin Street - Westbound at the intersection with Storrs Avenue.

Golf Course Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Route 30.

Gorham Lane - Eastbound traffic at the intersections with Weybridge Street.

Green Mountain Place - Westbound traffic at the intersection of South Street.

Grey Ledge Road - Northbound traffic at the junction with Painter Road.

Halpin Road - Southbound traffic at the intersections with Washington Street Extension and Painter Road.

Halladay Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with U.S. Route 7. Southbound traffic at the intersection with the Three Mile Bridge Road.

Happy Valley Road - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Washington Street Extension. Westbound traffic at U.S. Route 7.

Harrow Way - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Woodland Park. Westbound traffic at the intersection with Buttolph Drive.

Heritage Circle - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Woodland Park.

High Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Seminary Street, and at the intersection with North Pleasant Street. Southbound traffic at the intersection with Seminary Street, and at the intersection with Washington Street.

Hillcrest Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with College Street.

Kings Row - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

Lacrosse Street – northbound at the intersection with Creek Road; southbound at the intersection with Middle Road

Leno Lane - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Route 116.

Lindale Trailer Park - West bound traffic at the intersection with Route 116.

Lodge Road - Eastbound at the intersection with South Ridge Drive.

Lower Plains Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

Main Street - Northeast bound traffic at the intersection with North Pleasant Street.

Mainelli Road - Southbound at the intersection with Pond Lane.

Maple Street - Eastbound traffic crossing the Railroad grade crossing, at the intersection with Seymour Street.

Maple Court - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

Mary Hogan Drive - Northerly exit westbound traffic at the intersection with Rte 7.

Mead Lane - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Route 116. Southbound traffic at the intersection with Route 116.

Meadow Way - Westbound at the intersection with Buttolph Drive. Eastbound at the intersection with Woodland Park.

Meadow Glen Drive – at its intersection with South Ridge Drive.

Merchants Row – Eastbound at Court Square

Methodist Lane - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Seymour Street.

Middle Seymour Street - Northbound at the intersection with Seymour Street.

Mill Street - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Weybridge Street.

Monroe Street - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Court Street. Westbound traffic at the intersection with Buttolph Drive.

Morningside - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Weybridge Street.

Mountain Road or Schoolhouse Hill Road - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125. Northbound traffic at the intersection with Munson Road.

MUHS Campus Area - 1) Easterly exit of the MUHS bus circle; 2) North bound traffic adjacent to the faculty parking lot exiting on to Charles Avenue; 3) North bound traffic exiting the faculty parking lot on to Charles Avenue.

Munger Street - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Quarry Road. Northbound traffic at the intersection with Cobble Road. Southbound traffic at the intersection with Painter Road. Northbound traffic at the intersection with Painter Road.

Munson Road - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Burnham Drive. Westbound traffic at the junction of Route 116. Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Burnham Drive and Mountain Road.

Murdock Court - Northeast bound traffic at the intersection with Weybridge Street.

Newton Lane - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Ossie Road (Route 116).

North Branch Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

North Street - Southbound traffic at the intersection of Seminary Street. Northbound traffic at the intersection of Stewart Lane.

Old College Farm Road - Northbound traffic at the junction of Seminary Street Extension.

Ossie Road - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

Painter Hills Road - Northwest bound traffic at the junction with Washington Street Extension/Painter Road.

Painter Road - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Munger Street.

Parent-Child Center Driveway – northbound at the intersection with Monroe Street.

Park Road (Industrial Park) - Southeast bound traffic at the intersection with Exchange Street. Southbound traffic at the intersection with Pond Lane.

Peterson Terrace - Northwest bound traffic at both the intersections with Washington Street Extension.

Pinewood Street - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Seymour Street Extension.

Pleasant Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection with the northerly branch of Merchants Row.

Porter Field Road - Eastbound at the intersection with South Street. Westbound at the intersection with South Main Street.

Pulp Mill Bridge Road - Southwest bound at the intersection of Weybridge Street.

Quarry Road - Eastbound traffic at Route 116; southwest bound at the triangular intersection with Foote Street.

Recreation Park - East Parking Lot. Eastbound traffic at the intersection of Buttolph Drive.

Ridgeview Terrace – westbound at the intersection with Meadow Glen Drive.

Rogers Road - Southwest bound traffic at the intersection of Route 7. Northbound traffic at the intersection with Monroe Street. Rolling Acres - Southbound traffic at the east and west entrance intersecting with Quarry Road.

Route 116 - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125. Southbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

Route 116 - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Ossie Road.

Schoolhouse Road - Southbound and northbound traffic at the intersections with Route 7.

Seminary Street - a) Westbound traffic at the intersection with Washington Street, at the intersection with High Street, and at the intersection with North Pleasant Street. b) Eastbound traffic at the intersection with high Street, and at the intersection with Washington Street.

Seymour Street - a) Northbound traffic at the intersection with Elm Street. b) Southbound traffic at the intersection with Middle Seymour Street. c) Southbound traffic at the intersection with Main Street.

Seymour Street Extension - Southbound at the intersection with Seymour Street and the Pulp Mill Bridge.

Shannon Street - Northeast bound traffic at the intersection with Weybridge Street. Southbound traffic at the intersection of College Street.

Shard Villa Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with the Three Mile Bridge Road.

Shaw Lane - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Seymour Street.

South Munger Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Quarry Road.

South Pleasant Street - at its intersection with Cross Street.

South Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Main Street.

South Village Green – eastbound at the intersection with Court Street Extension.

Star Point Drive -eastbound at the intersection with Meadow Glen Drive.

Star Point Terrace – northbound at the intersection with Star Point Drive

Springside Road - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Seminary Street.

Stewart Lane - Westbound traffic at the intersection with North Pleasant Street.

Stonegate Drive – southbound at the intersection with Boardman Street.

Storrs Avenue - Southbound traffic at the intersection with South Main Street. Northbound traffic at the intersection with College Street.

Swanage Court - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Buttolph Drive.

Thomas Street - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Court Street.

Three Mile Bridge Road - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Route 7.

Upper Plains Road - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Route 125.

Valley View Drive -

- 1) Northbound traffic at the intersection with Seminary Street Extension.
- 2) Northbound traffic at the intersection with Forbes Circle/East Street.
- 3) Southbound traffic at the intersection with Forbes Circle/East Street.
- 4) Northbound traffic at the intersection with Brookside Drive.

Vocational Center Parking Lot - Northbound traffic at Charles Avenue.

- 1) Washington Street Eastbound traffic at the intersection of Seminary Street.
- 2) Westbound traffic at the intersection with Seminary Street.
- 3) Eastbound traffic at the intersection with High and Buttolph Drive.
- 4) Westbound traffic at the intersection with High and Buttolph Drive.

Water Street -

- 1) Southbound traffic at the point which water Street turns west to the railroad trestle.
- 2) Eastbound traffic at Charles Avenue, the point at which Water Street turns north toward Cross Street.
- 3) Northbound traffic at the intersection with Cross Street.

Weybridge Street - Southbound traffic at the intersection with College Street.

Willow Road - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Route 7. Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Wilson Road.

Wilmar Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection of Route 125. Southbound traffic at the intersection with Route 116.

Wilson Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Boardman Street.

Woodland Park - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Meadow Way. Northwest bound traffic at the intersection with Brookside Drive.

Woodland Park Condo - Southbound traffic at the intersection with Woodland Park.

Section II. DESIGNATION OF STOP SIGNS FOR PRIVATE PARKING LOTS

Stop signs shall be erected at the property owner's expense at the exit onto Town highways for the regulation of traffic at the following locations:

Shaw's driveway at the Buttolph Drive and Washington Street exits.

ARTICLE V

Section I. DESIGNATION OF YIELD RIGHT-OF-WAY SIGNS AT INTERSECTIONS

Yield right of way signs shall be erected on the following streets for the regulation of traffic at the following intersections:

College Street - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Main Street.

Court Square - Westbound traffic at the intersection with North Pleasant Street. Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Court Street.

Foote Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Schoolhouse Road and Foote Street.

Merchants Row - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with South Pleasant Street.

Seymour Street - Southeast bound traffic at the intersection with Pleasant Street. Northwest bound traffic at the intersection with Main Street.

Stewart Lane - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with High Street.

Washington Street - Westbound traffic at the intersection with Court Square.

ARTICLE VI

Section I. OPERATING AT STOP AND YIELD SIGNS

Every vehicle immediately before entering the limits of an intersection designated as a "stop" intersection, shall be brought to a full stop and shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles or pedestrians approaching from either direction, except when the operator thereof is otherwise directed by a police officer or by a traffic signal, and upon entering an intersection designated as a "yield right-of-way" intersection shall not exceed a speed reasonable for conditions and shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles or pedestrians approaching from either direction.

ARTICLE VII

Section I. NO LEFT TURNS

No left turn signs shall be erected on the following streets for the regulation of traffic at the following intersections, and a person shall not make a left turn in violation of such signs:

Battell Block Parking Area - Northeast bound traffic at the intersection with Merchants Row.

Mahady Court – westbound at the intersection with Court Square.

Merchants Row - Eastbound traffic at the intersections of South Pleasant Street and Court Square.

Middlebury Inn Parking Area - Eastbound traffic at the intersection with Court Square.

MUHS Facility Parking Area - Northbound traffic at the intersection of Charles Avenue between the hours of 7:30 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. and 2:45 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

North Pleasant Street - Northbound at the intersection with Main Street.

Painter House Parking Area - Northbound traffic at the intersection with Court Street.

Route 7 - Southbound traffic at the intersection of High Street.

South Pleasant Street: Northbound traffic at the four-corner intersection of Merchants Row and Court Square.

Section II. NO RIGHT TURNS

No right turn signs shall be erected on the following streets for regulation of traffic at the following intersections, and a person shall not make a right turn in violation of such signs:

Main Street - Northbound traffic at the intersection of North Pleasant Street.

Route 7 - Northbound traffic at the intersection of High Street.

ARTICLE VIII

SECTION I PEDESTRIAN CONTROL SIGNALS

- 1. Whenever special pedestrian-control signals exhibiting the words "Walk" or "Don't Walk" or universal symbols thereto as specified in the Manual On Uniform Traffic Control devices, the signals indicate as follows:
 - (a) "Walk": pedestrians facing the signal may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the signal and shall be given the right of way by all drivers.
 - (b) "Don't Walk: no pedestrian shall start to cross the roadway in the direction of the signal, but any pedestrian who has begun his or her crossing on a "Walk" signal shall proceed to a sidewalk or a safety island while the "Don't Walk" signal is showing.

ARTICLE IX

SECTION I ROUNDABOUTS

- 1. Vehicles approaching a roundabout shall yield left and grant the right of way to vehicles moving within the roundabout.
- 2. Traffic in roundabouts shall move one-way in a counter-clockwise direction only.

ARTICLE X

Section I. PROHIBITED TURNS

1. Where turns are prohibited and traffic control devices are posted prohibiting the turn, drivers shall not move the vehicle as indicated unless directed to do so by a traffic control person or police officer.

ARTICLE XI

Section 1. TRAVEL LANES SHARED BY MOTOR VEHICLES AND BICYCLES

- (a) A shared lane is a travel lane in which motor vehicles and bicycles have equal rights and privileges to the travel lane.
- (b) Travel lanes that are too narrow for a motor vehicle and bicycle to travel side by side, have a speed limit less than 35 MPH, contain obstructions such as drains in the main travel portion that are hazardous to bicycle travel, and have on-street parallel parking which creates a risk of a passing bicycle impacting the open door of a parked vehicle may be designated as shared lanes.

Section 2. DESIGNATED SHARED LANE ROADS

- (a) Main Street, both directions, between the intersections with Seymour Street and Academy Street.
- (b) Merchants Row, both directions.
- (c) Park Street.

Section 3. MARKINGS

The standards for marking shared lanes must be in compliance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Devices.

ARTICLE XII

Section . I. TEMPORARY OR EMERGENCY TRAFFIC CONTROLS

Upon authorization of the Selectmen, Town Manager, Chief of Police or Director of Operations, temporary signage or controls may be ordered for public safety or for temporary management of traffic. Drivers shall obey the direction of all temporary traffic control devices unless otherwise directed by a traffic control person or police officer.

ARTICLE XIII

Section I. PENALTIES

A person who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than \$100.00.

Section II. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective as provided in Section 107 of the Middlebury Town Charter.

Section III. REPEAL OF PRIOR ORDINANCE

The special regulations as to traffic lights, one-way streets, stop signs, and yield right-of-way signs in the Town of Middlebury adopted by the Selectmen of the Town of Middlebury on 11 April 1967 together with all subsequent amendments thereto are repealed as to the effective date of this Ordinance. However, any violations which occurred prior to the effective date of this Ordinance may be prosecuted under the provisions of the 11 April 1967 Ordinance, or any amendment thereto, as though such earlier Ordinance and amendments thereto had to repealed.

Traffic Lights and Traffic Signs

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