

## Chapter 12 Traffic and Safety

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## Chapter 12 Traffic and Safety

### Article 1 General

#### **SEC. 12-101 Definition of Words and Phrases**

For the purpose of this Chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates another meaning:

Authorized Emergency Vehicles: Vehicles of the Fire Department, Highway Department, Police Department, ambulances, and emergency vehicles operated for municipal business.

Business District: The territory contiguous to and including that section of Main Street from Hincks Street to Third Street.

Consumer Fireworks: "Consumer fireworks" has the same meaning as in 27 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 555.11 or subsequent provision, but includes only products that are tested and certified by a 3rd-party testing laboratory as conforming with United States Consumer Product Safety Commission standards, in accordance with 15 United States Code, Chapter 47.

Crosswalk: Any portion of roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface.

Display: "Display" means an entertainment feature where the public or a private group is admitted or permitted to view the display or discharge of fireworks or special effects. "Display" includes a special effects display.

Driver: Every person who drives or is actually in control of a vehicle.

Driveway or Private Road: Every way or place in private ownership and used by the owner and those having express or implied permission from the owner.

Firearms: Firearms shall include all instruments used in the propulsion of pellets, shot, shells, or bullets by the action of gunpowder or compressed air or gas exploded or released within it.

Fireworks: "Fireworks" means any:

- A. Combustible or explosive composition or substance;
- B. Combination of explosive compositions or substances;
- C. Other article that was prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration or detonation, including blank cartridges or toy cannons in which explosives are used, the type of balloon that requires fire underneath to propel it, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, roman candles, bombs, rockets, wheels, colored fires, fountains, mines, serpents and other fireworks of like construction;
- D. Fireworks containing any explosive or flammable compound; or
- E. Tablets or other device containing any explosive substance or flammable compound.

The term "fireworks" does not include consumer fireworks or toy pistols, toy canes, toy guns or other devices in which paper caps or plastic caps

containing 25/100 grains or less of explosive compound are used if they are constructed so that the hand can not come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, toy pistol paper caps or plastic caps that contain less than 20/100 grains of explosive mixture, sparklers that do not contain magnesium chlorates or perchlorates or signal, antique or replica cannons if no projectile is fired.

Intersection: The area embraced within the prolongation or continuation of the lateral sidelines of two streets or highways which join one another.

Motor Vehicle: Every vehicle which is self-propelled but not operated on rails.

Official Traffic Signs: All signs, signals, markings and devices placed or erected by officials having jurisdiction over the regulating, warning or guiding of traffic.

Overnight Parking: Parking between the hours of 11:00PM and 8:00AM.

Parking: When prohibited, means the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually loading or unloading passengers or property.

Pedal Vehicle: A mechanical device that is typically comprised of a lightweight tubular frame mounted on two, three or four wheels, and which is designed to be ridden and propelled by the pedaling action of one or more riders. The device is equipped with seating, steering controls and brakes. A small motor may be included for power assistance. A bicycle, tricycle, or quadcycle. A pedicab. (See also Toy Vehicle)

Pedestrian: Any person afoot.

Right of Way: The privilege of immediate use of the roadway.

Sidewalk: That portion of a street between the curb or ditchline and the adjacent property lines, intended for the use of pedestrians.

Standing or Stopping: When prohibited, means the stopping or standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with a police officer, sign or signal.

Stop: Complete cessation of movement.

Street, Highway or Roadway: That portion of a public way open to the public for the use of vehicular traffic.

Through Streets and Highways: Every street or highway protected by STOP or YIELD signs at the intersection of other streets or highways.

Traffic: Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles and other conveyances, either singly or together, while using any public way for purpose of travel.

Toy Vehicle: Skateboards, roller skates, inline skates, wagons, coasters, unicycles, electric motor-powered mini-vehicles, and non-motorized scooters. Toy vehicles also include pedal vehicles with a wheel diameter of 16" or less, and which are not designed, approved or intended for use on a road or street.

Vehicle: Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a street or highway, except devices designed to be moved by human power.

## **SEC. 12-102 Authority of Police**

1. It shall be the duty of the officers of the Police Department, or such officers as are assigned by the Chief of Police, to enforce all traffic laws of this Town, all of the Maine State motor vehicle laws applicable to street traffic in this Town, and all provisions of this Chapter.
2. The Police Department is hereby authorized, empowered and ordered to direct, control, restrict and regulate and, when necessary, temporarily divert or exclude the movement of traffic of every kind on any street or highway in the interest of public safety, health or convenience to or meet special needs or emergencies. The Department is also authorized to post STOP or YIELD signs on Town ways wherever they may be deemed essential to promote public safety.
3. No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of a police officer.
4. The chief of Police is authorized to represent the Town of Bucksport in District Court in the prosecution of alleged violations of those ordinances which the Police Department is empowered to enforce, if duly certified in accordance with Title 25 M.R.S.A. 2803 (3)-(A), or successor statute. The Chief of Police may designate any officer under his command, if so certified, to perform this prosecutorial function.

**SEC. 12-103 Animal Drawn Vehicles**

Persons riding or driving any animal-drawn vehicle are to obey traffic regulations. Every person riding an animal shall be subject to the provisions of this Chapter.

**SEC. 12-104 Exemptions to Authorized Emergency Vehicles**

The provisions of this Chapter shall not apply to authorized emergency vehicles as defined in this Chapter while the driver of such vehicle is operating the same in the necessary performance of his duties. This exemption does not, however, protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequence of reckless or wanton disregard for the safety of others.

**SEC. 12-105 Operation of Vehicles on the Approach of Authorized Emergency Vehicles**

Upon the sounding of a siren, bell, or whistle, the driver of any other vehicle shall yield the right of way to the emergency vehicle.

## **Article 2 One Way Streets and Turns**

**SEC. 12-201 Signs to be Placed on One-Way Streets**

When any street or section of a street has been designated as one-way within the provisions of this Chapter, suitable signs giving notice thereof shall be placed and maintained.

**SEC. 12-202 One-Way Streets Designated**

Upon the following streets, or sections thereof, traffic shall move only in the specified direction:

1. Bagley Avenue - between Main Street and the Southerly driveway entrance to the Seaboard Federal Credit Union in a Northerly direction.
2. Franklin Street - between Pine Street and Mill Street, in a westerly direction.

**SEC. 12-203 Turns**

1. No left hand turns will be allowed:
  - A. From Hincks Street onto Main Street.
  - B. From Franklin Street onto Mill Street.
2. Right turn only:  
From Bridge Street onto Main Street.

**Article 3 Town and School Recreation Areas**

**SEC. 12-301 Motorized Vehicles Prohibited**

Except as authorized by this article, no motorized vehicle of any kind shall be parked or driven on school or Town recreational areas.

**SEC. 12-302 Authorized Use by Vehicles**

The provisions of this article shall not apply to Town and School vehicles that may be required for maintenance of said areas or to School and Town recreational areas that are designated to be parking areas.

**SEC. 12-303 Determination of Recreation Areas**

Town and School recreation areas which shall be subject to the restrictions imposed by this article shall be determined by the Department of Parks and Recreation of the Town of Bucksport.

**Article 4 Miscellaneous Driving Regulations**

**SEC. 12-401 Fire Hoses**

No vehicle shall be driven over any unprotected fire hose of the Fire Department or Highway Department except with the permission of the Police or the Department official in command.

**SEC. 12-402 Sidewalk Areas**

The driver of a vehicle shall not drive within any sidewalk area except at a permanent or temporary driveway or crossing.

**SEC. 12-403 Backing of Vehicles**

The driver of a vehicle shall not back the same unless such movement can be made with reasonable safety and without interfering with the safety of others.

**SEC. 12-404 Observance of Speed Limits Required**

No vehicle shall be operated on any street or way except in a careful and prudent manner and at a speed not greater than the posted speed limit for the particular area in which the vehicle is being operated.

**SEC. 12-405 Yield for Subjects in Crosswalks**

When traffic control devices are not in operation, an operator must yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing within a marked crosswalk

**Article 5 Parking Regulations**

**SEC. 12-501 Parking Regulations in General**

1. No person may park a vehicle in such a manner that will hamper the free flow of traffic.
2. No person may park a vehicle at any time in a manner that will interfere with snow plowing or snow removal on any public street or in any parking lot regulated by this Article.
3. No person may park a vehicle overnight on any public street from November fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) to April fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) inclusive, except when conducting professional services, or loading or unloading passengers or goods.
4. No person may stop, stand or park a vehicle on any public street so as to be facing oncoming traffic or the travel lane opposite its own direction of travel.
5. No person may stop, stand or park a vehicle so as to occupy more than one (1) designated parking space, except for delivery vehicles making deliveries.
6. No person may stop, stand or park a vehicle in violation of the directions of any official signs or markings that apply to the place where the vehicle is located.
7. No abandoned, unregistered, uninspected, or disabled vehicle may be parked on any public street, or in any parking lot regulated by this Article.

**SEC. 12-502 Parking Regulations for Specific Places**

1. No person may stop, stand or park a vehicle in any of the following places, except as may be allowed in accordance with Section 12-505:
  1. On or over a sidewalk.
  2. Within ten (10) feet of any entrance.
  3. On or within yellow markings.
  4. Within fifteen (15) feet of any crosswalk, except in a marked parking space.
  5. Alongside or opposite a street or highway excavation.
  6. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked parallel to the curb or ditch.
  7. Upon a bridge.
  8. Within fifteen (15) feet of any hydrant.
  9. Upon any place where official signs or markings prohibit stopping or parking.
  10. Within fifteen (15) feet of a street intersection unless otherwise marked.

11. On or straddling a curb.
12. On a town-owned public boat launch ramp, except to load or unload watercraft.
2. The driver of a bus or taxicab may not stop, stand or park on any street at any place other than a bus stop or taxicab stand, except that this provision does not prevent the driver of any such vehicle from stopping temporarily to load or unload passengers or goods.
3. No person may stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop or a taxicab in a taxicab stand when any such stop has been officially designated and marked by property signs, except to temporarily stop therein when such stopping does not interfere with any bus or taxicab waiting or about to enter such zone, and no vehicle stopping therein by virtue of this section may be left unattended while so stopped.

**SEC. 12-503 Parking Regulations for Public Streets**

Parking on the following public streets is restricted as described, except as may otherwise be allowed in accordance with Section 12-505:

- 1. BAGLEY AVENUE**
  - A. Parking is prohibited on Bagley Avenue between Main Street and Franklin Street.
- 2. BRIDGE STREET**
  - A. Parking is prohibited on the odd-numbered (easterly) side of Bridge Street between the driveway serving 63 Bridge Street and Broadway.
  - B. Parking is prohibited on the even-numbered (westerly) side of Bridge Street between the driveway serving 66 Bridge Street and Broadway.
  - C. The parking prohibition on Bridge Street does not apply to school busses.
- 3. BROADWAY**
  - A. When school is in session, parking is prohibited on Broadway between Central Street and Nicholson Avenue each year from September 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, Monday through Friday, 7:00AM to 4:00PM, except for temporary parking to load or unload passengers in a designated area on the odd-numbered (southerly) side of Broadway between Pine Street and Bridge Street.
- 4. CENTRAL STREET**
  - A. Parking is prohibited on Central Street between Main Street and Broadway.
- 5. ELM STREET**
  - A. Parking is prohibited on the odd-numbered (easterly) side of Elm Street between Main Street and Franklin Street.

- B. Parking is restricted to two hours from 7:00AM to 5:00PM on the even-numbered (westerly) side of Elm Street between Main Street and Franklin Street.

**6. FEDERAL STREET**

- A. Parking is prohibited on the odd-numbered (easterly) side of Federal Street.
- B. Parking is prohibited on the even-numbered (westerly) side of Federal Street between the driveway serving 60 Franklin Street and Franklin Street.

**7. FRANKLIN STREET**

- A. Parking is prohibited on the odd-numbered (northerly) side of Franklin Street between Mill Street and a point 150' westerly of Mill Street.
- B. Parking is prohibited on the even-numbered (southerly) side of Franklin Street between School Street and Federal Street.
- C. Parking is prohibited on Franklin Street between Federal Street and Central Street
- D. Parking is prohibited on the even-numbered (southerly) side of Franklin Street between Central Street and Elm Street, except for church-related functions.
- E. Parking is prohibited on the even-numbered (southerly) side of Franklin Street between Elm Street and Mechanic Street.
- F. Parking is prohibited on Franklin Street between Mechanic Street and Second Street.
- G. Parking is restricted to two hours from 7:00AM to 5:00PM on Franklin Street between Third Street and Spofford Avenue.
- H. Parking is prohibited on Franklin Street between Spofford Avenue and Bagley Avenue.
- I. Parking is prohibited on the odd-numbered (northerly) side of Franklin Street between Bagley Avenue and Main Street.

**8. MAIN STREET**

- A. Parking on Main Street is restricted to striped public parking spaces.
- B. Parking is restricted to two hours from 7:00AM to 5:00PM on Main Street in designated areas.

**9. MECHANIC STREET**

- A. Parking is prohibited on the odd-numbered (easterly) side of Mechanic Street between Main Street and Franklin Street.

**10. MILES LANE**

- A. Parking is prohibited on the even-numbered (westerly) side of Miles Lane between the two entrances serving 28 Miles Lane.
- B. Parking is prohibited from 11:00PM to 7:00AM on Miles Lane.

**11. MILL STREET**

- A. Parking is prohibited on Mill Street.

**12. NICHOLSON AVENUE**

- A. When school is in session, parking is prohibited on Nicholson Avenue from September 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, Monday through Friday, 7:00AM to 4:00PM.

**13. RIVER ROAD**

- A. Parking is prohibited on River Road between Franklin Street and the entrance to 110 River Road.

**14. SCHOOL STREET**

- A. Parking is prohibited on School Street on the odd-numbered (easterly) side between Buck Street and Central Street.
- B. Parking is prohibited on School Street on the even-numbered (westerly) side between Main Street and Buck Street.
- C. Parking is prohibited on School Street between Central Street and Silver Lake Road.

**15. US ROUTE 1**

- A. Parking is prohibited on US Route 1 on the even-numbered (northerly) side.
- B. Parking is prohibited on US Route 1 on the odd-numbered (southerly) side between the Bucksport/Verona Island municipal boundary line and the easterly property line of 205 US Route 1.

**SEC. 12-504 Parking Lot Regulations**

1. Parking in the following public and privately owned parking lots is restricted as described, except as may otherwise be allowed in accordance with Section 12-505. Some parking lots listed in this section have no described parking restrictions, and are included for identification purposes.
  - A. **The Alamo Parking Lot**, the upper section of a privately owned parking lot located behind the building at 85 Main Street and accessed on Elm Street. The parking lot is accessible to the public by agreement with the Town.
    1. Overnight parking is prohibited.
  - B. **The Bridge Street Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located on the corner of Broadway and Bridge Street, and accessed on Bridge Street.

- C. **The Buck Cemetery Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located at the intersection of Hinks Street and US Route 1, next to the Buck Cemetery.
  - 1. Overnight parking is prohibited.
  - 2. Parking is restricted to two hours from 7:00AM to 5:00PM.
  
- D. **The Buck Library Parking Lot**, a private parking lot located behind the Buck Memorial Library and accessed on School Street. The parking lot is accessible to the public by agreement with the Town.
  
- E. **The Catholic Church Parking Lot**, a private parking lot located between 57 Franklin Street and 63 Franklin Street, and accessed on Franklin Street. The parking lot is accessible to the public by agreement with the Town.
  
- F. **The Central Street Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located behind the building at 63 Main Street and accessed on Central Street.
  - 1. Overnight parking from November 15<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup> is restricted to the westerly side of the lot on even-numbered days, and the easterly side of the lot on odd-numbered days.
  
- G. **The Colby Wharf Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located to the left of the building at 132 Main Street.
  - 1. Overnight parking is prohibited.
  
- H. **The Ferry Landing Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located between 104 Main Street and 108 Main Street.
  - 1. Overnight parking from November 15<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup> is restricted to the easterly side of the lot on even-numbered days, and the westerly side of the lot on odd-numbered days.
  
- I. **The Franklin Street Parking Lot**, a portion of which is a public parking lot, and a portion of which is a privately owned parking lot accessible to the public by agreement with the Town. The parking lot is accessed on Elm Street and Franklin Street.
  
- J. **The Ian's Playground Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located on the corner of Elm Street and Summer Street, and accessed on Elm Street.
  
- K. **The Jacob Buck Pond Boat Launch Parking Lot**, a State-owned public parking lot serving the public boat launch at Jacob Buck Pond. The parking lot is accessed from Barbour Drive or Eagle Lane.
  
- L. **The Main Street Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located next to the building at 6 Mechanic Street and accessed on Main Street.
  - 1. Overnight parking is prohibited.

- M. **The Marina Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located at 88 Main Street.
  - 1. Three parking spaces closest to the marina office are restricted to use by marina customers during the months when the marina is open.
  
- N. **The Masonic Lodge Parking Lot**, a privately owned parking lot located on the corner of Franklin Street and Elm Street, in front of the building at 83 Franklin Street. The parking lot is accessible to the public by agreement with the Town.
  - 1. Overnight parking is prohibited, except for public safety personnel.
  
- O. **The Museum Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located at 92 Main Street, and accessed from the entrance to the Town Dock at 94 Main Street.
  
- P. **The Peary's Landing Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located behind 12 Main Street.
  - 1. Overnight parking is prohibited.
  
- Q. **The Skating Rink Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located at 29 Miles Lane.
  
- R. **The Pharmacy Parking Lot**, a privately owned parking lot located next to the building at 75 Main Street. The parking lot is accessible to the public by agreement with the Town.
  - 1. Overnight parking is prohibited, except on the easterly side of the parking lot where overnight parking is allowed for apartment tenants at 73 Main Street.
  - 2. Parking next to the building at 75 Main Street is restricted to two hours from 7:00AM to 5:00PM.
  
- S. **The Reggie Ginn Field Parking Lot**, a public parking lot on Spofford Avenue.
  
- T. **The Silver Lake Boat Launch Parking Lot**, a public parking lot on Silver Lake Road serving the public boat launch at Silver Lake.
  
- U. **The Silver Lake Canoe & Kayak Launch Parking Lot**, a public parking lot on Silver Lake Road serving the canoe & kayak launch at Silver Lake.
  - 1. Parking is reserved for the use of canoeists and kayakers while recreating on Silver Lake.
  - 2. Parking in the lower section of the parking lot is limited to the loading and unloading of equipment and passengers, and handicapped parking.
  
- V. **The Town Dock Parking Lot**, a public parking lot located at 94 Main Street.
  - 1. Overnight parking is prohibited.

W. **The Town Office Parking Lots**, public parking lots including the public parking lot fronting on Main Street next to the Town Office at 50 Main Street, and the public parking lot next to the Town Office that is accessed by an entrance between 60 Main Street and 64 Main Street.

1. Overnight parking is prohibited.

**SEC. 12-505 Observance of Regulations Required, Exceptions**

1. No person may stop, stand or park a vehicle in violation of any provision of Article 5, unless a violation occurs incidentally as a result of complying with the direction of a public safety official or construction site flagger, as a result of complying with motor vehicle laws, or as a result of unsafe driving conditions.
2. The Police Department is authorized to enforce temporary parking regulations that may conflict with the regulations in Article 5, when such temporary regulations are deemed necessary to address a short-term increased demand for public parking, or when deemed necessary for public safety purposes.

**Article 6 Regulation of Pedal Vehicles and Toy Vehicles**

**SEC. 12-601 Traffic Laws Shall Apply to Pedal Vehicles**

1. Every person operating a pedal vehicle upon a Town way shall be subject to the provisions of the statutes of the State of Maine and the provisions of this Chapter applicable to the driver of a vehicle.
2. Any person operating a pedal vehicle shall obey all traffic signals and signs applicable to vehicles unless otherwise directed by an officer.
3. A person operating a pedal vehicle shall not ride other than upon or astride the regular seat attached thereto nor carry any other person or persons upon such pedal vehicle other than upon a regular seat which is firmly attached thereon.

**SEC. 12-602 Operation of Pedal Vehicles**

1. No person shall ride or propel a pedal vehicle on any sidewalk on Main Street, between School Street and McDonald Street. No person shall ride or propel a pedal vehicle on any portion of the town's riverfront walkway. No person shall ride or propel a pedal vehicle on any sidewalk except in a prudent manner and at a reasonable rate of speed, yielding the right of way to pedestrians and giving audible signal of approach.
2. Persons operating pedal vehicles upon a roadway shall not ride abreast but shall ride in single file.
3. An on-duty law enforcement officer may operate a pedal vehicle on any public property without restriction.

**SEC. 12-603 Lamps, Reflectors, Signal Devices and Brakes**

1. No person shall operate, drive or ride a pedal vehicle in the Town of Bucksport between the hours of one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hour after sunset and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hour before sunrise without a light on the front of said pedal vehicle capable of being observed at a reasonable distance from said pedal vehicle, and also a red reflector or tail light on the rear thereof capable of being observed at a reasonable distance.
2. No person shall operate a pedal vehicle unless it is equipped with a bell or other device capable of giving audible signal that can be heard for a distance of at least one hundred (100) feet.
3. Every pedal vehicle shall be equipped with a brake which shall enable the operator to make the braked wheel skid on dry pavement.

**SEC. 12-604 Operation of Toy Vehicles**

1. No person shall operate a skateboard, roller skates or inline skates on any portion of the town's waterfront walkway.

**Article 7 Miscellaneous Safety Regulations**

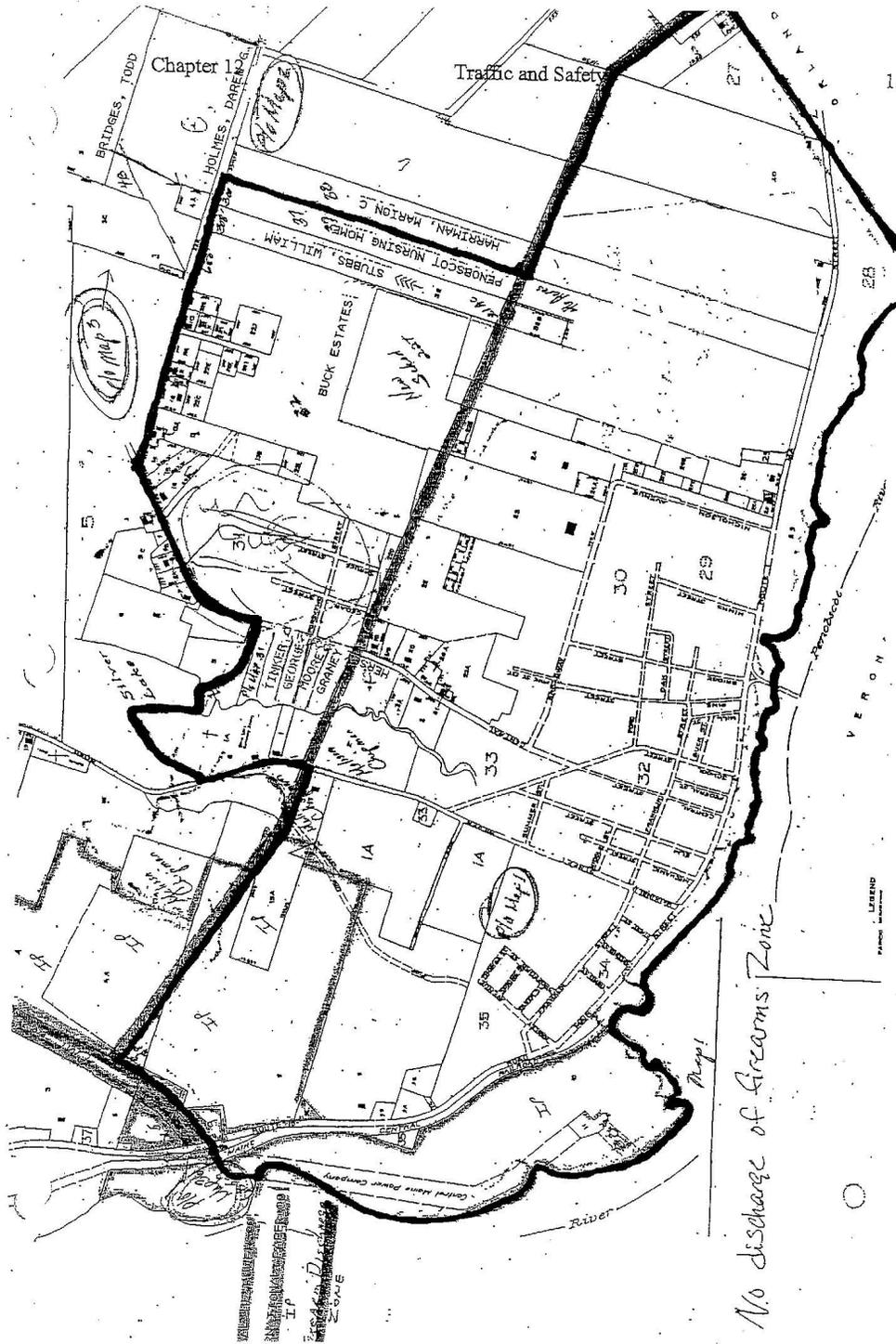
**SEC. 12-701 Discharge of Firearms**

1. The discharge of firearms is prohibited within the following boundaries:
  - a. Beginning at a point on the North shore of the Easterly branch of the Penobscot River, such point being where the Bucksport/Orland Town line intersects with the Penobscot River, then in a Northeasterly direction along the Town line to a point on the Westerly side of Route 46 where it intercepts with Central Maine Power Company's right-of-way, then along the right-of-way in a southwesterly direction to a point along the right-of-way where it intersects the northeasterly corner of land owned by Penobscot Nursing Home and referred to as Lot 37 of Map 2 on the Bucksport Tax Maps, then in a northwesterly direction along the easterly line of Lot 37 to a point where it intercepts with Donovan Road so-called, thence continuing in a southwesterly directions along the northerly side of the Donovan Road and Race Course Road right-of-ways to Central Street.
  - b. Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Central Street at the intersection of Central Street and Race Course Road thence extending along the westerly side of Central Street right-of-way in a southwesterly direction to a gravel road located on lot of land owned by International Paper and referred to as Lot 5 of Map 2 of the Bucksport Tax Maps, thence following the road in a northeasterly direction to a point on the South shore of Silver Lake, thence following the southerly shore to a point where it intercepts with the easterly side of Silver Lake Road.
  - c. Beginning at a point on the westerly side of the Silver Lake Road such point being where the Silver Lake Road right-of-way intercepts with

Central Maine Power's right-of-way and extending along the southerly side of the right-of-way in a westerly direction to a Central Maine Power Company right-of way which runs generally in a north-south direction, thence following the easterly side of such right-of-way in a southwesterly direction to the Penobscot River, thence following the North shore of the Penobscot River in a northeasterly direction to the Bucksport/Orland town line.

**SEC. 12-702 Exceptions**

School and/or organization sponsored contests or instructional programs involving the discharge of air power weapons shall be exempt from the provisions of Sec. 12-701.



**SEC. 12-703**

No person shall use any public right of way or portion thereof for the purpose of as play area or to locate any play or recreation equipment.

**SEC. 12-704 Discharge of Fireworks**

1. The discharge or display of any consumer fireworks or any other fireworks in the Town of Bucksport is prohibited, except for any such fireworks that may be included in a fireworks display permitted by the State of Maine pursuant to 8 M.R.S.A. §227-A, and except for the following devices which may be used without any permit or approval:
  - a. Toy pistols, toy canes, toy guns, or other devices in which paper caps or plastic caps containing 25/100 grains or less of explosive compound are used if they are constructed so that the hand can not come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion.
  - b. Toy pistol paper caps or plastic caps that contain less than 20/100 grains of explosive mixture.
  - c. Sparklers that do not contain magnesium chlorates or perchlorates.
  - d. Signal, antique, or replica cannons if no projectile is fired.

**SEC. 12-705 Selling of Fireworks**

1. The sale, or offer for sale, of consumer fireworks in the Town of Bucksport is prohibited.

**Article 8 Violations**

**SEC. 12-801 Penalties for Violations**

1. Persons found to be in violation of any provisions of this Chapter, except any provision of Section 12-704 or 12-705, shall be subject to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).
2. The Municipal Officers may by resolution establish a method by which persons charged with the violation of parking regulations may waive all court action by payment of specified fees within stated periods of time, except that such court action may not be waived in any case where the Municipal Officers consider the offense to be of a repetitious or aggravated nature.
3. Persons found to be in violation of any provision of Section 12-704 or 12-705 shall be subject to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) and not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00), plus court costs for any one offense.

**SEC. 12-802 Impoundment of Vehicles**

Members of the Police Department and Highway Department are hereby authorized to remove a vehicle from a street or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety under circumstances hereinafter enumerated, at the expense and risk of the owner of such vehicle:

1. Any vehicle left unattended upon any bridge when such vehicle constitutes an obstruction to traffic.

2. When a vehicle upon a highway is so disabled as to constitute an obstruction to traffic and the person or persons in charge of the vehicle are, by reason of physical disability incapacitated to such an extent as to be unable to provide for its custody or removal.
3. When any vehicle is left unattended upon a street or highway and is parked so as to constitute a violation of this Chapter or constitute a definite hazard or obstruction to the normal movement of traffic.

**SEC. 12-803 Fees**

The specified fees will be charged for the following violations:

1. Winter parking ban (snow removal) .....\$ 5.00
2. Parked facing traffic.....\$ 5.00
3. Handicapped parking space .....\$25.00
4. All other parking violations .....\$ 5.00

*Chapter 12 Traffic and Safety was adopted as part of the Bucksport Town Code on March 9, 1978 and amended on the following dates:*

*October 8, 1981 (section 12-502 1-B repealed and replaced, section 12-502 1-C added)*

*September 13, 1984 (chapter title, article 1, sections 12-504, 12-505, 12-506, 12-508, added section 12-405, article 7 Violations repealed and replaced with article 7*

*Miscellaneous Safety Regulations, new article 8 Violations added.*

*September 12, 1985 (sections 12-501-1, 12-801, 12-802)*

*May 8, 1986 (section 12-802)*

*December 10, 1987 (section 12-501)*

*June 8, 1989 (sections 12-202, 12-502, 12-503, 12-504, 12-505)*

*August 10, 1989 (section 12-202)*

*June 14, 1990 (repealed and replaced)*

*August 9, 1990 (section 12-701 deleted and replaced)*

*June 13, 1991 (sections 12-502, 12-504)*

*November 10, 1993 (section 12-504)*

*May 9, 1996 (sections 12-501, 12-502)*

*January 30, 1997 (sections 12-504, 12-505)*

*February 13, 1997 (section 12-507)*

*February 11, 1999 (section 12-501)*

*October 28, 1999 (sections 12-502, 12-504)*

*February 10, 2000(section 12-512)*

*June 8, 2000 (section 12-405)*

*July 13, 2000 (sections 12-502, 12-503)*

*July 12, 2001 (sections 12-501,12-502, 12-503)*

*October 10, 2002 (sections 12-515, 12-701)*

*September 30, 2004 (section 12-512)*

*November 18, 2004 (sections 12-505, 12-703)*

*May 13, 2010 (Section 12-101 & Article 6)*

*May 14, 2011 (Section 12-512)*

*September 29, 2011 ( Sections 12-504 & 12-505)*

*June 28, 2012 (Sections 12-101, 12-704(new), and 12-801)*

*April 24, 2014 (Section 12-101 and Article 5)*

***Town Clerk's note:*** *The following approved amendments were belatedly incorporated in Chapter 12 on August 2, 2007:*

*5-9-96 Amendment of Section 12-501(limits to parking in front of Champion building on Bagley Avenue)*

*7-13-00 Amendment of Section 12-502(limits to on-street parking on Route 1)*

*7-12-01 Amendment of Section 12-501(hourly parking limits on Bagley Avenue & Route 15)*

*7-12-01 Amendment of Section 12-502(limits to on-street parking on northerly side of Route 15 & Route 1)*

*7-12-01 Amendment of Section 12-503(limits to on-street parking on southerly side of Route 15 & Route 1)*

*9-30-04 Amendment of Section 12-512(No unregistered or uninspected vehicles in public parking lots, time limit for overnight parking in public parking lots)*

*9-29-16 Amendment of Section 12-503 to add no parking on Franklin street between Mechanic and Second Street.*

*The following approved amendment was belatedly incorporated in Chapter 12 on May 16, 2011:*

*10-10-02 Amendment of Section 12-701(Discharge of Firearms Map)*