

Chapter 156

VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Troy as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Traffic in parks — See Ch. 109.

Citations — See Ch. 39

ARTICLE I

Weight Limits

§ 156-1. Roads to be posted.

A. All roads so posted shall have appropriate signs posted at the entrance and exits to indicate road weight limitations.

B. The weight limit in either pounds or tons shall appear on each sign which is posted to give reasonable notice to anyone entering such Town highway that such road is limited to the weight specifications.

§ 156-2. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates Troy road weight limitations and restrictions shall be required to pay a forfeiture as provided in Chapter 39, Citations, of this Code [§ 348.21(2), Wis. Stats.].

ARTICLE II

Parking Restrictions

[Adopted 7-7-1986 by Ord. No. 86-3 and on 7-19-2012]

§ 156-3. Definitions.

A. As used in this Article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

ROADWAY: That portion of a road used for vehicular travel.

RIGHT OF WAY: The area located within 33 feet of the centerline of a road and not used for vehicular travel.

ROAD: A Road consists of a Roadway and the Right of Way.

§ 156-4. Truck parking restricted.

A. There shall be no truck parking where posted. "Truck" is any vehicle over 8,000 pounds gross vehicle weight.

B. Roads to be posted:

(1) Pine Ridge Terrace.

(2) Sun View Drive.

§ 156-5. Long Term Parking Prohibited.

The parking or storage of vehicles, equipment, or materials on town roads for more than 72 consecutive hours is prohibited.

A. The temporary moving of vehicles, equipment, or materials a limited distance to defeat the intent of this prohibition.

B. Parking is prohibited within four feet of a driveway or within 15 feet of a crosswalk or where prohibited by sign.

§ 156-6. Violations and penalties. [1]

Any person who violates this article shall be required to pay a forfeiture as provided in Chapter 39, Citations, of this Code.

ARTICLE III

Speed Limits

[Adopted 9-8-2003 by Ord. No. 03-3 on 7-19-2012]

§ 156-7. Authority.

Pursuant to §§ 346.54, 346.57, 346.59 and 349.10, Wis. Stats., and all other applicable state statutes, the Town of Troy hereby enacts this article to codify and establish the speed limits on Town roads, declare the Town's authority to make temporary reductions in speed limits during road construction, maintenance and repair projects and to set forfeitures and establish the manner of enforcement of this article.

§ 156-8. Official Speed Limit Map.

The Town's Official Speed Limit Map contains specific speed limits for Town roads identified thereon. It is hereby made a part of this article and shall be updated as roads are added or speed limits modified as authorized by state law. Modifications to the Official Speed Limit Map shall require Town Board approval.

§ 156-9. Speed limits established.

The provisions of §§ 346.57 and 346.59, Wis. Stats., establishing maximum and minimum vehicular speeds on Town roads, shall apply in the Town. In the absence of any other posted limit, the speed limit on Town roads shall be 55 miles per hour. Lower speed limits apply as posted and established on the Official Town Speed Limit Map or as set forth herein:

A. Thirty-five miles per hour where, on either side of a Town road and in any thousand-foot stretch on either side of the road, buildings in use for residential, business or industrial purposes and fronting on the road are on average less than 150 feet apart.

B. The posted speed limit on platted subdivision roads, where the design and engineering of the road to a specified speed limit have been approved by the Town and state as part of the subdivision approval process.

C. The posted speed limit on older Town roads and as further established on the Official Speed Limit Map, where said roads have been in existence, were designed and built prior to the enactment of state law that might otherwise purport to establish speed limits at a higher level than what is posted.

§ 156-10. Temporary speed limit reductions.

To protect the safety of road construction and maintenance workers, pedestrians and road users, the Town Chairperson may authorize the posting of a temporary speed limit reduction for the duration of a Town road construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repair period. Temporary speed limits so imposed may be posted with signs or portable supports, provided that the bottom of any such sign shall not be less than one foot above the surface of the pavement or road shoulders, as required by state law.

§ 156-11. Enforcement.

A. Penalty. Any person violating the speed limits set forth in this article and/or shown on the Official Speed Limit Map may be required to forfeit an amount as provided in Chapter 39, Citations, of this Code. If the operator of the vehicle violates this article in work in a highway maintenance or construction area or in a utility work area, while workers are present, the minimum and maximum forfeiture specified are doubled. The operator of a bicycle or electric personal assistive mobility device who violates this article shall forfeit an amount as provided in Chapter 39, Citations.

B. Manner of enforcement. This article shall be enforced only by a law enforcement officer. Town employees and/or elected officials, including constables, if any, are not authorized to stop vehicles or issue citations under this article.

§ 156-12. Severability.

A judicial determination that any portion of this chapter is invalid shall not invalidate the entire chapter but only the portion identified by the court. Any such determination of invalidity shall not operate retroactively.

[1]. Editor's Note: Added at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).