

## **REGULATING THE OPERATION OF SKATEBOARDS**

**SECTION 1. AUTHORITY.** Under the authority granted in V.S.A. Chapter 59 and 24 V.S.A. §2291 (14), the Selectboard of the Town of West Windsor hereby adopts the following civil ordinance regulating the time, place and manner of operation of skateboards within the town.

**SECTION 2. PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the health and safety of people in the Town of West Windsor.

### **SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.**

- A. "Skateboard" shall mean a vehicle consisting of a narrow board made of metal, wood, plastic or other rigid material, mounted on wheels, or any device comparable in description.
- B. "Operation" shall include any attempt to operate and shall be construed to cover all matters and things connected with the presence and use of skateboards whether they be in motion or at rest.

### **SECTION 4. OPERATION OF SKATEBOARDS.**

- A. Skateboards being operated on sidewalks and public paths shall stay to the right and shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.
- B. Operators of skateboards shall obey all traffic control devices as they apply to pedestrians.
- C. Skateboards shall not be operated on a Town highway except to cross the highway. This includes Route 44 in the village.
- D. No person operating a skateboard shall attach him or herself, or attach the skateboard, to any other vehicle, such as a bicycle or a motor vehicle, for the purpose of being towed or propelled by that vehicle.
- E. No person shall operate a skateboard on town property or on private property without the owner's permission.
- F. All skateboarders shall be liable for all property damage resulting from: (a) the use or misuse of their skateboards and/or (b) the violation of this ordinance.

### **SECTION 5. PENALTIES**

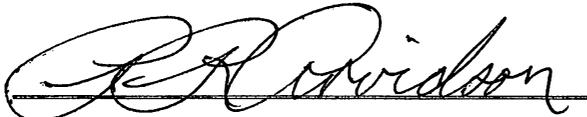
First offense..... Verbal warning  
Second offense.....\$30.00 fine; \$26.00 waiver fee  
Third offense.....Confiscation of skateboard for 3 days

**SECTION 6. ENFORCEMENT.** The Town Constables or any Police Officer shall be the designated enforcement officers. They shall issue complaints and shall be the appearing officers at any hearing.

**SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY.** If any section of this ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Town of West Windsor Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A. §1973, that statute shall govern the taking effect of this ordinance.

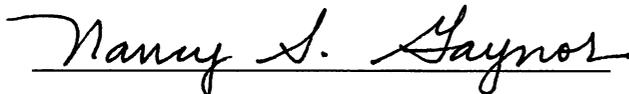
Signed on this 4th day of September, 2008, at West Windsor, Vermont.



Philip R. Arvidson, Selectboard Chair



Thomas O. Kenyon, Selectboard Vice Chair



Nancy Gaynor, Selectboard Member