

Town of Northumberland

State Street Groveton, NH 03582



UNNECESSARY NOISE ORDINANCE

Pursuant to authority conferred by N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 41:11, no person shall operate any vehicle in the Town of Northumberland so as to make loud, unusual, or unnecessary noise as hereinafter defined:

The words, LOUD, UNUSUAL OR UNNECESSARY NOISE whenever used in this section shall include any noise occasioned by any one or more of the following actions of the operator of any vehicle.

- a) Misuse of power exceeding tire traction limits in acceleration, commonly known as “laying down rubber” or “peeling rubber”; or
- b) Misuse of braking power exceeding tire traction limits in deceleration where there is no emergency; or
- c) Rapid acceleration or deceleration by either quick up—shifting or quick down-shifting of transmission gears with either standard or automatic transmission; or
- d) Racing of engines by manipulation of the gas pedal, carburetor or gear selection whether the vehicle is in motion or standing or
- e) The blowing of any horn except as a warning signal or the use of any other noise-making device whether the vehicle is in motion or standing or
- f) The excessively loud use of radios, stereos, tape decks or other noise-making devices, whether the vehicle is in motion or standing.
- g) Unlawful use of Engine Brakes and Compression Brakes. It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle to use or operate or cause to be used or operated within the Groveton Village limits, any engine brake, compression brake or mechanical exhaust device designed to aid in the braking or deceleration of any vehicle that results in excessive, loud, unusual, or explosive noise from such vehicle.

PENALTY: Any person found in violation of the regulations set out in this section shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding \$1000.00 for each offense as set forth in RSA 31:39.

This Ordinance shall be effective upon adoption by the Board of Selectmen, posting in two public places. after having a Public hearing, and upon recording an attested copy of same with the Northumberland Town Clerk.

This ordinance is adopted by the Board of Selectmen on _____, 2001 following a public hearing and is effective on _____ 1, 2001.

Bruce Pelletier, Chairman

John Normand, Selectman

Robert Hawes, Selectman

Brian Sullivan, Selectman

Prescilla Doherty, Selectman