

ARTICLE II DRIVEWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sec. 9-16. Permit required.

- (a) No person shall construct, relocate or pave a private driveway which will connect with a town road or a proposed town road in an approved subdivision in the town without first obtaining a permit from the board of selectman.
- (b) An application for a driveway construction permit shall be on the forms prescribed by the Board of Selectmen an obtained through the Public Works Department Office, 82 White Deer Rocks Road,
- (c) No permit shall be issued until the Board of Selectmen or its authorized representative have examined the site and approved the application and plans submitted by the property owner or his representative. The application shall include a plan, which is in accordance with the following design standards.
 - A. The travel width of the driveway shall not be less than 10 feet. All culverts and bridges located on the driveway shall be able to carry 20-ton live loads.
 - B. The intersection of the driveway and street shall have a 100-foot unobstructed view of the street in both directions. An object six (6) inches high shall be visible from a point measure three (3) feet high from eight (8) feet into the driveway from the traveled portion of the street. Driveway shall intersect the street with paved radii of five (5) feet. The apron of the driveway intersection shall be paved from the edge of the street travel way for the distance of twelve (12) feet. All driveways shall meet the street at right angles, wherever possible, unless otherwise allowed by the Board of Selectmen or its representative.
 - C. Driveway grades shall not exceed two (2) percent for a minimum distance of thirty (30) feet measured from the travel way of the street. Driveway Grades shall not exceed a maximum of fifteen (15) percent. Driveway grades equal to or exceeding ten (10) percent shall be paved. Cut and fill slopes shall not exceed 1-foot rise for 2 feet of horizontal distance. Cut and/or fill slopes shall not extend farther than 25 feet from the driveway centerline, and shall not exceed the boundaries of the lot unless the property owner can obtain appropriate slope rights from the adjoining owner.
 - D. The minimum inside turning radius on all driveway curves should be no less than forty (40) feet.
 - E. All runoff from the driveway shall be contained on the lot, directed into a natural water courses, or directed to the street drainage in a manner acceptable to the Board of Selectmen or its representative.
 - F. The Board of Selectmen in its sole discretion may require that a driveway plan be prepared by an engineer or land surveyor licensed by the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors of the State of Connecticut. Such plan shall demonstrate that the lot can be served by a driveway conforming to these standards and shall be approved by the Board of Selectmen or its representative. Approval for any driveway subject to the Inland Wetlands and Water Coursed Regulations of the Town of Woodbury must be received prior to final action by the Board of Selectmen.
 - G. Upon determination by the Board of Selectmen or its representative, a Driveway construction bond may be required in a form acceptable to the Board of Selectmen.

H. In the event a single lot of record cannot meet the requirements of this ordinance, the Board of Selectmen may consider a waiver of one or more of the above requirements, provided a waiver does not affect public safety.

Sec. 9-17. Compliance with plans; stop-work orders.

All construction, reconstruction, relocation and paving work on driveway shall be performed in accordance with the approved plans and conditions, if any, specified in the driveway construction permit. Notice of the commencement of the works shall be given to the Board of Selectmen or its authorized representative to allow for inspection of the work. The Board of Selectmen or its authorized representative may issue a stop work order if it is Determined that the work is not being performed in accordance with the permit.

Sec. 9-18. Prerequisites for building permits and certificates of occupancy.

(a) No building permit for the construction of an improvement on a parcel of land, or lot which will be served by a driveway, subject to this article, shall be issued by the Building Official until a driveway permit required by this article has been issued.

(b) The building official shall not issue a Certificate of Occupancy under the State Building Code and ordinances of the town for any improvement on any parcel of land or lot served by a driveway subject to this article until:

- 1) All work in accordance with the approved plans and conditions, if any, specified in the driveway permit has been completed to the satisfaction of the Board of Selectmen, and said board has so certified in writing to said Building Official; or
- 2) Upon leave of the board, within its sole discretion, the applicant shall execute an agreement and file a cash bond with said board, which agreement and bond shall secure to the town the completion of work in accordance with the approved plans and conditions, if any, specified in the driveway permit, and said board has so certified, in writing, to said board has so certified, in writing, to said building official.

Sec. 9-19. Exemption.

This article shall not apply to the resurfacing of an existing paved driveway.

Sec. 9-20. Violations.

The violation of this article shall be punishable as provided in Section 108, and if such violation continues for more than five (5) days, it shall constitute a new violation for each day it continues to exist thereafter.

Minimum Driveway Design Standards

Note: 1 ½" Lip constructed to eliminate water infiltration onto drive from pavement.