

**TOWN OF MARSHFIELD  
CIVIL ORDINANCE #5**

**ROAD NAMING AND ROAD ADDRESSING**

WHEREAS, the Town of Marshfield has by virtue of 24 V.S.A. 2291(16), Chapter 61 and 24 V.S.A. 1971, the authority to adopt, amend, repeal and enforce ordinances relating to road naming and addressing within its boundaries,

NOW THEREFORE, to develop a more uniform road naming and road addressing system throughout the Town of Marshfield to enable people to locate addresses effectively for providing emergency services and deliveries, the Selectboard of the Town of Marshfield hereby enacts this ordinance:

**ARTICLE I  
ROAD NAMING**

Each private and public road shall be assigned a name by the Selectboard that is separate and distinct from any previously assigned name in the Town of Marshfield.

**ARTICLE II  
ADDRESS NUMBER OF LOCATIONS**

- 1) Address numbering shall be done in cooperation with the U.S. Postal Service and shall allow for a separate distinctive number for every five point twenty-eight (5.28) feet of frontage on a town or private road.
- 2) Low numbers shall start at Route 2 for all roads intersecting Route 2, except Pike Road, the low number of which starts at the Calais Road.
- 3) Low numbers on any branch road from a road intersecting Route 2 will start at the branch.
- 4) Low numbers will begin at the Town line for roads originating in other towns and entering Marshfield.
- 5) Numbering for roads originating in Marshfield and extending across town lines will terminate at the town line.

- 6) Odd numbers shall be assigned to the left side of the road and even numbers to the right, facing the direction of increasing numbers.
- 7) All numbers shall be assigned in relation to the center of a driveway or entrance to a location.

**ARTICLE III  
REQUIREMENT TO DISPLAY NUMBER**

- 1) The owner, occupant or person in charge of any building or dwelling shall assure the assigned number is properly affixed on or near the front or in some other manner as to be visible from the road. If the building or dwelling is situated in such a way that the number can't be easily seen from the road in front of the structure, then a sign or number post must be used at the driveway entrance.

A multiple unit structure composed of two (2) or more units shall have one number affixed for the principal building and each unit shall have a letter or number suffix affixed.

- 2) The owner, occupant or person in charge of any building or dwelling shall remove any old numbers affixed to the building, dwelling or elsewhere, which may be confused with the number assigned thereto.
- 3) The owner, occupant or person in charge of any building or dwelling shall complete the requirements of Sections 1 and 2 of this Article within sixty (60) calendar days of notification to do so by the Town of Marshfield.
- 4) The Town of Marshfield will make available to all residents one set of numbers which are reflective white numbers on a green background for their use in complying with this Article. Other combinations of colors are permissible at the owner's expense and must be on a contrasting background and must be at least 3" high x 2 1/2" wide in size.

**ARTICLE IV  
ROAD SIGNS**

The Selectboard of Marshfield, upon adoption of this ordinance, shall institute a program for the installation and maintenance of name signs in accordance with the names established by this ordinance.

- 1) All signs shall conform to the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways.
- 2) All road signs shall be installed and maintained to the highest degree possible allowed by budget considerations.

**ARTICLE V  
REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances, resolutions, regulations, or other documents inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**ARTICLE VI  
SEVERABILITY**

This ordinance and its various parts, sentences, sections and clauses are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, section or clause is adjudged invalid, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

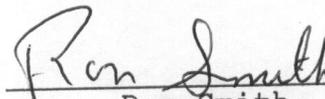
**ARTICLE VII  
EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) calendar days after the adoption date shown below.

Adopted this 24th day of June 1997.

Selectmen:

  
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John Warshow

  
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Ron Smith

  
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Cresswell Codling

Attest:   
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Town Clerk