

**TOWN OF PATTEN
SIDEWALK AND SNOW REMOVAL ORDINANCE**

1. Establishment and Authority - Pursuant to Title 30A M.R.S.A. §§ 3001, this ordinance is hereby established for the Town of Patten, Maine.

2. Purpose - The purpose of this ordinance is to maintain safe driving conditions in the Town of Patten and to protect the safety of its citizens through the regulation of snow removal.

3. Regulations -

A. Deposit of Snow on Sidewalk Prohibited - No person shall use or cause to be used any sidewalk in the Town of Patten as a depository for snow or ice.

B. Sidewalk Snow Removal Required - The occupant of any store, shop, manufactory, hotel, business, or any lot of land (including vacant lots) bordering upon the sidewalk of any of the streets herein named, and in case there shall be no occupant, the owner or any agent having the care or control of any such building or lot of land bordering upon the streets hereinafter mentioned, shall after ceasing to fall of any snow and, if in daytime, within two hours, but if in the night time, before Seven A.M. of the day succeeding, cause the same to be removed from such sidewalk. The requirements of this section shall apply to all sidewalks on Katahdin Street, Founders Street, and Main Street on the west side between the intersection of Main and Dearborn Streets and the Library, and on the east side between the intersection of Main and Houlton Streets and Chickadee Realty. If a section of sidewalk in these areas is not cleared, the Town will clear it at the rate of \$100/hr.

C. Care of Icy Sidewalks - Such owner, tenant or occupant whenever any ice shall have been formed upon the sidewalk bordering upon such residence, store, shop, business, etc shall cause such ice to be removed, or to be covered or strewn with sand or other substance in such a manner as to allow safe travel on such sidewalk.

D. Street Floor Occupants Responsible - When a building to which this article applies has more than one story, the occupant or occupants of the street floor, or the owner thereof, shall be responsible for the clearing of snow and the proper care of ice as provided therein.

E. Overnight Parking - Overnight parking is prohibited on any street in Patten from November 1st through April 30th of each year. For enforcement and penalties for un-prohibited overnight parking, please obtain a copy of the Town of Patten Parking Ordinance from the Patten Town Office.

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F. Deposit of Snow in Public Ways Prohibited - No person shall place and allow to remain on a public way or public easement snow, slush, or ice that has not accumulated there naturally nor use or cause to be used any street or highway in the Town of Patten as a depository for snow, slush, or ice. This includes pushing or plowing snow across a public way and is punishable as a Class E. crime under Title 17-A M.R.S.A. §§ 505 (3).

G. Removal of Snow other than by natural accumulation - No person shall place or cause to be placed on any sidewalk, curb or within the street right of way any snow or slush which is collected from any private property, private driveway or any other area which is not from natural accumulation.

4. Severability and effective date - In the event that any provision of this ordinance is declared by a court to be unenforceable, the remaining provisions continue in full force and effect. This ordinance shall become effective when adopted by a majority vote at a legally held Town Meeting, and this ordinance shall supersede and replace any ordinance of similar nature heretofore enacted by the Town of Patten.

Adopted at a Special Town Meeting on: November 13th 2008
(date)

A True Copy Attest: Cindy Ray
Town Clerk