

## MEDWAY STREET STANDARDS

### APPENDIX A: TOWN OF MEDWAY BY-LAWS

All work performed under a Street Opening/Roadway Access permit must comply with the Town of Medway By-Laws (See Section 12.9 Roadway Access).

#### Section 12.9 Roadway Access

(a) Roadway Access Permit No person except a duly authorized officer of the Town shall, without a permit granted by the Board of Selectmen, or their designee (hereinafter called "the Permitting Authority"), excavate, alter, construct an access to, or obstruct any portion of a public way for any purpose whatsoever. A public way is defined as the entire length and width of the roadway, both paved and unpaved.

(b) Time Limit. Each permit granted shall specify the length of time it shall continue in force. Every person receiving such a permit shall execute a written agreement to indemnify and same harmless the Town against 0 damages or cost.

(c) Driveway Access. Anyone wishing to construct a driveway on a lot having frontage on a public way, or a way which the Town Clerk certifies is maintained and used as a public way, shall comply with the following minimum requirements;

(1) Alterations/Changes. Any substantial change in use or location of the curb cut shall require modification of the permit or application for a new permit which may contain new restrictions. "Substantial change" shall mean an increase of ten percent (10%) or more in vehicle trips caused by expansion of the project or by a change of use from one use category to another, or by addition of a drive-through facility or a substantial impact on traffic caused by a change in the type, pattern or timing of such traffic.

(2) Commercial/Industrial Use. Driveway locations and number shall be subject to approval by the Permitting Authority.

(3) Residential Use. There shall be no more than one (1) driveway access for residential lots with one hundred fifty (150) feet or less of frontage and no more than one (1) additional driveway access for each one hundred fifty (150) feet of frontage in excess of one hundred fifty (150) feet, unless granted approval by the Permitting Authority for an alternative configuration based upon determination that public safety will be adequately protected and that commonly employed engineering and planning standards have been met in full.

(4) Distance from Hydrant. Within the street right-of-way, the paved edge of the driveway shall be no closer than fifteen (15) feet to a hydrant unless otherwise granted approval by the Permitting Authority based upon determination that public safety will be adequately protected.

(5) Driveway Grade Elevation at Street. The elevation of the finished grade of the driveway at the right-of-way line of the street shall be equal to, or higher than, the elevation of the crown of the existing street pavement directly opposite the opening.

(6) Grades Within Street Layout. In the event the horizontal distance from the edge of the existing street pavement to the right-of-way fine of the street is five (5) feet or less, the grade of that area lying between the edge of the existing street pavement and the right-of-way fine of the street shall have a minimum, positive grade of three percent (3%) from the edge of the existing street pavement for the horizontal distance required to attain the condition stated in 5 above.

(7) Grades Outside Street Layout. Unless otherwise approved by the Permitting Authority for an alternative configuration based upon determination of no adverse impact to the public way, no driveway outside the street right-of-way shall exceed a positive or negative grade of three percent (3%) for a distance at least fifteen (15) feet, and twelve percent (12%) for a distance of

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at least twenty-five (25) feet from the street right-of-way. Beyond said total of at least forty (40) feet, the grade of a residential use driveway shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%); commercial/industrial use driveways shall in no case exceed a grade of twelve percent (12%).

(8) Paving Material Within Street. All driveway openings shall be paved with a minimum of three (3) inches of bituminous concrete between the existing street pavement and the right-of-way line of the street. If the area between the existing street pavement and the right-of-way line of the street includes a cement concrete sidewalk, the new driveway apron shall also be cement concrete for at least the width of the sidewalk. The cost of this work shall be borne by the owner of the driveway.

(9) Paving Material Outside Street . Driveways to commercial, industrial and multi-family residential units shall in all cases be paved with bituminous or cement concrete. Paving materials for single and two-family houses, other than bituminous or cement concrete, which have a durable, dustless, all-weather surface suitable for year-round use, may be used as alternatives, if approved by the Permitting Authority.

(d) Utilities Relocation/Installation. Relocation of existing town-owned and maintained utilities, mains and services, or installation of new drainage facilities within any portion of a public way, shall be the responsibility of the applicant. The cost of this work shall be borne by the applicant.

(e) Paving Drainage. All paving shall be designed and constructed in such a manner, that the amount of surface water draining onto any public way or onto any lot in other ownership other than through a drainage easement or stream, shall not create an adverse condition.

(f) Maximum Curb Opening. The maximum width of any curb opening measured at the street line shall be twenty-five (25) feet, not including the driveway returns unless authorized by the Permitting Authority, based on safety and planning consideration.

(g) Sight Distance. The location of all driveways shall have adequate sight distance, in accordance with the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) standards.

(h) Violations. Any person who violates any section of this By-Law shall be subject to a fine as follows:

Maximum fine allowed:	\$100.00
Enforcement agent:	Board of Selectmen/Designee
Fine Schedule:	First offense - Warning
	Second offense - \$25.00
	Third offense - \$50.00
	Fourth and each subsequent offense - \$100.00 maximum per day. Each day to constitute a separate violation.