

**TOWN OF ACWORTH  
REGULATIONS FOR CLASS VI ROADS AND CLASS A TRAILS**

The Board of Selectmen of Acworth hereby adopts the following regulations pursuant to RSA 41:11 (Regulation of Use of Highways) and RSA 47:17 (Bylaws and Ordinances), VII (Use of Public Ways) and the passage of Article XVI of the March 14, 2006 Town Meeting (Class VI Roads Building and Use and Maintenance Policies put forth by the Selectmen and Planning Board).

**PURPOSE:** In the interest of preserving and protecting Acworth's Class VI roads and Class A trails as multiple use public byways without liability by the Town for future repair or maintenance the following shall be required:

1. Agreement, release and acknowledgment of non-liability: The issuing of building permits on Class VI roads or Class A trails shall be contingent on the recording in the county Registry by the building owner an Agreement, Release and Acknowledgment of Non-Liability.
2. Alteration of road condition: Any repair, maintenance or improvement of Class VI roads or Class A trails such as but not limited to cutting and clearing, grading, draining, removal of gates and bars or alteration of stone walls, shall require written permission from the Selectmen; Specifications shall be appropriate to the location.
3. Load limits and use restrictions: Load limits established by the Selectmen due to seasonal or other conditions shall be observed by all users unless a waiver is obtained from the Selectmen or their designee; Class VI roads will be posted prohibiting wheeled vehicle use from February 1 to June 1 except for residential, agricultural or forestry use by abutting landowners, their tenants or leaseholds; Illegal usage of a posted road will be subject to a fine up to \$1,000; Class VI roads are open to OHRV use unless as otherwise noted here per BOS vote 9/28/15.
4. Security for use of Class VI roads or Class A trails: Security in an amount appropriate to the site may be required for commercial use of any Class VI road or Class A trails by equipment exceeding 30,000lbs.; Security may be in the form of a bond by an insurance company, letter of credit or cash; The Road Agent will inspect the road before and after project completion. The applicant will provide before and after pictures to determine whether restoration is needed; Selectmen reserve the right to require or waive security based on the site (slope, wetlands), operation size, other knowledge particular to the situation and the intention of preserving the condition of the Town's Class VI roads and Class A trails.
5. Effective date and non-adherence: These regulations shall become effective on approval by the Selectmen and posting and publication of the regulations. Non-adherence to any part of these regulations will cause the Selectmen to seek a cease-and-desist order of the non-adherent activity.