

TOWN OF WATERFORD, VERMONT
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**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE BURNING
AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTES**

On January 22, 2015, the Selectboard of the Town of Waterford, Vermont, adopted an Ordinance Regulating the Burning and Disposal of Solid Wastes, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. ss 1971 and 24 V.S.A. ss 2202(a). This notice is published pursuant to 24 V.S.A. ss 1972 to inform the public of the ordinance and of the citizens' right to petition for a vote to disapprove the ordinance

ORDINANCE REGULATING THE BURNING AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTES

To protect public health and safety and to promote the responsible use of resources and protection of the environment, the Selectboard of the Town of Waterford has adopted an ordinance to regulate the collection and disposal of solid waste in the Town of Waterford.

ARTICLE I – Defines the terms used in the Ordinance

ARTICLE II – Covers the prohibition on illegal dumping and/or disposal of solid waste within the Town.

ARTICLE III – Covers open fires and incineration and establishes the strict liability of the property owner for illegal burning on their property.

ARTICLE IV – Covers penalties for violating the Ordinance and Civil Enforcement activities.

ARTICLE V – Designates the personnel authorized to enforce the Ordinance.

ARTICLE VI – Repeals and inconsistent provisions of the Ordinance.

ARTICLE VII – Establishes severability of the provisions of the Ordinance.

ARTICLE VIII – Establishes the Effective Date of the Ordinance.

The full text of the Ordinance may be examined at the Waterford Town Office at 532 Maple Street, Lower Waterford VT, during regular office hours, and is available on the Town website at www.waterfordvt.org.

CITIZENS' RIGHT TO PETITION FOR VOTE

Title 24 V.S.A. ss 1973 grants citizens the right to petition for a vote at a special or annual Town Meeting to disapprove ordinances adopted by the Selectmen. To exercise this right, citizens must present to the Selectboard or

the Town Clerk a petition for a vote on the question of disapproving the ordinance signed by not less than five percent (5%) of the Town's qualified voters. The petition must be presented within forty-four (44) days following the date of the adoption of the ordinance. Unless a petition requesting a vote is filed pursuant to 24 V.S.A. ss.1973, the Ordinance Regulating the Burning and Disposal of Solid Wastes shall become effective March 23, 2015, sixty (60) days from the date of said adoption.

PERSON TO CONTACT

Additional information pertaining to this Ordinance may be obtained by contacting the Waterford Town Clerk, 532 Maple Street, Lower Waterford VT 05848, or by calling 802-748-2122 during regular office hours.