

**ORDINANCE RELATING TO ACCEPTANCE OF HIGHWAYS  
IN THE TOWN OF HARWINTON**

Be It Enacted, that no land shall be dedicated by any owner of real estate for acceptance as a public highway and no land shall be accepted by the proper authority of the town until the selectmen shall have certified in writing that the following requirements have been satisfied:

1. That a right of way, 50 feet in width, is being dedicated for highway purposes together with all rights of way, and easements of at least 15 (fifteen) feet that may be necessary for the proper drainage thereof.

2. Two maps prepared by a duly licensed land surveyor showing the right of way, the proper grade, street lines and building lines, and street names shall have been filed, one with the town clerk and one with the Zoning Board. The street names shall be approved by the Zoning Board. This map also to show the location of permanent monuments (merestones) to be placed by the developer.

3. The entire width of the right-of-way shall be rough graded. In no case shall slopes steeper than two feet horizontal to one foot vertical be constructed except in rock or definite ledge formation.

4. A road bed shall be properly graded to a width of 30 feet, CENTERED WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY, and that a traveled portion of not less than 24 feet shall have been constructed with a minimum of 12 inches good, clean, coarse bank run gravel and compacted with an 8-12 ton roller, gravel to be such quality as to satisfy the Board of Selectmen.

Two applications of road oil or asphalt made at intervals of time approved by the Selectmen, the first to be at the rate of one gallon per square yard, the second at the rate of one-half gallon per square yard. There shall be adjoining said traveled portion, shoulders of proper construction not less than three feet in width, and in addition to said traveled portion and shoulders, there shall be adjoining the outside of said shoulders ditch lines of two feet in width.

5. The desirable minimum grade shall be one percent and the desirable maximum grade shall be ten percent. Steeper grades will be allowed only under cases of extreme hardship and then only with the written approval of the Board of Selectmen.

6. That said road shall be properly drained with sufficient catch basins providing for drainage on land over which easements for drainage have been provided. All culverts shall be at least 36 feet long with proper head walls and protected with guard rails or fencing to eliminate traffic hazards and dangers to public safety.

7. That said highway shall run in such a course as not to impede removal of snow thereon.
8. That in the event said street is dead end, that a suitable area be provided at the end thereof for the turning of vehicles.

Section 7-157 of State Statutes provides that this ordinance becomes effective 15 days after publication in a newspaper with circulation in the Town of Harwinton.

Adopted: November 9, 1959

**REPEALED BY ORDINANCE 101**