

**TOWN OF THOMASTON**  
**ORDINANCE REGULATING DRAINAGE ON TOWN HIGHWAYS**

- Section 1.** Pursuant to the provisions of §§ 7-148(c)(6)(B) and (C) of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, Revised to 1997, as amended, the Town of Thomaston hereby adopts the following ordinance regulating the discharge of drainage from private property to its public highways.
- Section 2.** For purposes of this ordinance, the terms “highway” and “street” shall have the same definition as set forth in § 13a-1 of the General Statutes, as amended. The term “shoulder” shall mean that portion of the highway between the boundaries of the highway and the paved or traveled portion of the highway. The term “sidewalk” shall mean that area adjacent to the highway or street intended for pedestrian use. The term “person” shall have the same definition as set forth in § 1-1(k) of the General Statutes, as amended, and includes any person’s contractor, employee, or agent.
- Section 3.** No person shall excavate fill, or change the grade of any land located within the bounds of any public highway of the Town of Thomaston; and no person shall obstruct or interfere with the drainage of water from, on, or within the bounds of, any such highway.
- Section 4.** No person shall discharge any drainage of surface water from private property onto any public highway, street, shoulder or sidewalk; and no person shall connect any private drainage pipes, gutters, leaders or ditches to the public highway drainage system without a permit from the Town of Thomaston.
- Section 5.** Any person who violates this ordinance shall be guilty of an infraction and shall be fined **NINETY DOLLARS (\$90.00)** for each day of the violation.
- Section 6.** This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in a newspaper having circulation in the Town of Thomaston.

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