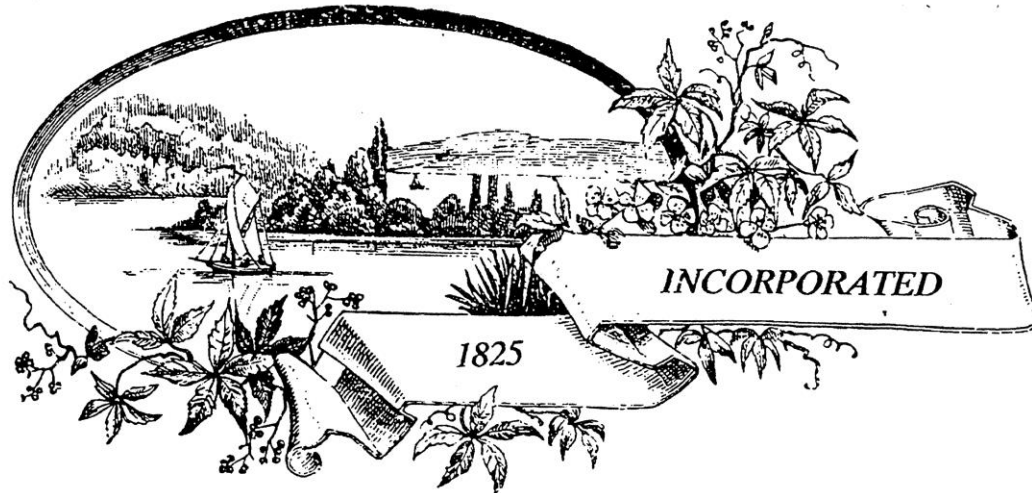


*FRANKLIN*



# Enhanced 9-1-1 Addressing System Ordinance

Of The

TOWN OF

FRANKLIN, MAINE

Original Ordinance Enacted

March xx, 1995

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Attest and Certified By: \_\_\_\_\_

Deborah Lurvey  
Town Clerk, Franklin, Maine

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pages: 6

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### Section 1: Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to enhance the easy and rapid location of properties for the delivery of public safety and emergency services, postal delivery, and business delivery.

### Section 2: Authority

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to and consistent with the Municipal Home Rule Powers as provided for in Article VIII, Part 2, 1 of the Constitution of the State of Maine and Title 30-A. M.R.S.A. 3001.

### Section 3: Administration

This ordinance shall be administered by the Board of Selectmen who shall assign road names and numbers to all properties, both on existing and proposed roads. The Board of Selectmen shall be responsible for maintaining the following official records of this ordinance:

- A. A Franklin map for official use showing road names and numbers.
- B. An alphabetical list of all property owners as identified by current assessment records by last name, showing assigned numbers.
- C. An alphabetical list of all roads with property owners listed in order of their assigned numbers.

### Section 4: Naming System

All roads in Franklin that serve two or more landowners shall be named regardless of whether the ownership is public or private. A road name assigned by the Town of Franklin shall not constitute or imply acceptance of the road as a public way. The following criteria shall govern the naming system:

- A. Similar names – no two roads shall be given the same or similar sounding (e.g., Beech and Peach, Pine Road and Pine Lane) names.
- B. A reasonable attempt shall be made to have the same name throughout a road's entire length.
- C. Whenever possible, historic names pertaining to the Town of Franklin should be used.

**Section 5: Numbering System**

Numbers shall be assigned every fifty (50) feet along both sides of the road, with even numbers appearing on the left side of the road and odd numbers appearing on the right side of the road, determined by the number origin. The following criteria shall govern the numbering system:

- A. All number origins shall begin from the designated center of the Town of Franklin or that end of the road closest to the designated, center. For dead end roads, numbering shall originate at the intersection of the adjacent road and terminate at the dead end.
- B. The designated center of the Town of Franklin is Chisel Corner at the three-way intersection of Main Street (Route 182 west/ Route 200 north), Blackwoods Road (Route 182 east), and Hog Bay Road (Route 200 south).
- C. The number assigned to each structure shall be that of the numbered interval falling closest to the front door or driveway of said structure.
- D. Every structure with more than one principle use or occupancy shall have a separate number for each use or occupancy, (i.e., duplexes will have two separate numbers; apartments will have one road number with an apartment number, such as 235 Maple Street, Apt. 2).

**Section 6: Compliance**

All owners of structures may, on or before the effective date of this ordinance, display and maintain in a conspicuous place on said structure, the assigned numbers in the following manner:

- A. Number on the Structure or Residence. Where the residence or structure is within fifty (50) feet of the edge of the road right-of-way, the assigned number should be displayed so as to be visible from the roadway. Numbers should be visible from the road from either direction.
- B. Number at the Street Line. Where the residence or structure is more than fifty (50) feet from the edge of the road right-of-way the assigned number shall be displayed on a post, fence, wall, or some other structure at the property line adjacent to the walk or access drive to the residence or structure. Numbers should be visible from the road from either direction,
- C. Numbers in a Subdivision. Residence or structure in a subdivision where the drive way for the residence or structure is directly off a main road and not a subdivision road shall have numbers in accordance with the numbering system of the main road. Residence or structure in a subdivision where the drive way for the residence or structure is on a subdivision road will have its assigned number in accordance with the numbering system within the subdivision.

- D. Size and Color of Number. Numbers should be no smaller than three (3) inches in height and displayed in a color contrasting with the number's background.
- E. Every person whose duty is to display the assigned number should remove any old or previously assigned address numbers. The newly assigned number should be displayed in such a manner so as to avoid confusion with any other numbers (e. g., historic date of building) on the structure.
- F. Interior Location. All residents and other occupants are requested to post the assigned number and road name adjacent to their telephone for emergency reference.

### **Section 7: New Developments and Subdivisions:**

All new developments and subdivisions shall be named and numbered in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and as follows:

- A. New Developments. Whenever any residence or other structure is constructed or developed it shall be the duty of the new owner to procure an assigned number from the Code Enforcement Officer. This shall be done at the time of the issuance of the building permit.
- B. New Subdivisions. Any prospective subdivider shall show a proposed road name and lot numbering system on the pre-application submission to the Planning Board. Approval by the Planning Board shall constitute the assignment of road names and numbers to the lots in the subdivision. On the final plan showing proposed roads, the applicant shall mark on the plan, lines or dots, in the center of the streets every fifty (50) so as to aid in assignment of numbers to structures subsequently constructed.

### **Section 8: Effective Date:**

To be rewritten. See Guidebook Page 19. To be amended at Town Meeting when effective date of State wide 9-1-1 Enhanced System is known.

**Appendix – Warrant Articles**

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Town Meeting March 25, 1995

Article #10

“Shall the Town of Franklin adopt the 9-1-1 Enhanced System Ordinance as written and posted conspicuously throughout Town?”

Motioned to accept the Ordinance as written. Motion Passed

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