# AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE NUMBERING OF BUILDINGS 

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON:


#### Abstract

An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Concerning the Numbering of Buildings" adopted at a Special Town Meeting on July 21, 1986 is hereby repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof:


## Section 1. Duty to assign.

It shall be the duty of the Building Official to assign a number to every residential, commercial, industrial or other structure located on premises abutting a public street or highway within the Town of Ellington except those structures such as barns, garages or outbuildings which are located on the same premises as a numbered structure.

## Section 2. Obligation of Homeowners.

Every owner, agent or lessee, or occupant shall, within the effective date of this ordinance, ascertain from the Building Official the number assigned to each structure owned, possessed or controlled by him and shall place said number upon each said structure in the manner hereinafter provided.

## Section 3. New construction.

Any building or dwelling under construction must be clearly identified by a street number. This number should be placed on a sign or appropriate marker ten (10) feet off the road's edge or designated entrance to the construction site. It shall be posted on the site by the time of the first required inspection of the Building Official and shall remain in place until a Certificate of Occupancy is issued at which time the number shall be affixed permanently as specified in Section 3 and 4 of this ordinance.

## Section 4. Number standards.

All numbers provided for herein shall be Arabic numbers not less than (3) three inches in height against a contrasting background. All numbers shall be of durable metal, glass, wood or plastic or may be painted of a neat design with durable material. Numbers made from non- permanent materials such as paper or cardboard shall be in non-compliance of this ordinance.

## Section 5. Location of numbers.

Numbers shall be placed on the house or building where visible from the street or normal approach by emergency personnel. In the event numbers are not clearly legible from the road due to topography, vegetation or distance from the street, then a second set of numbers must be installed within 25 feet from the pavement or edge of road so as to be plainly visible from the road. The second set of numbers may be located on a post office
delivery box set at road side immediately in front of and on the same side of the road as the building, on a fence, a tree or on a sign designed for this purpose.

## Section 6. Violations and penalties.

Any person, whether owner, agent or occupant, who shall fail or refuse to correctly number any house or other building owned, occupied or controlled by him after ten (10) days written notice from the Building Official, or who shall willfully remove, obliterate, conceal or obscure any house number shall be deemed in violation of Town Ordinance Concerning the Numbering of Buildings and shall be subject to a fine at the current rate set by the Board of Selectmen.

## Section 7. Appeal.

Any person who is aggrieved by the action of the Building Official may submit an appeal to the First Selectman as set forth in the Citation Hearing Procedure Ordinance. Any such appeal shall be in writing setting forth the basis for the appeal.

This Ordinance shall be effective on___November 2,__ 2002.

## APPROVAL RECORD FOR ORDINANCES

| Board of Selectmen Approved for Public Hearing | $\underline{8 / 12 / 02}$ |
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| Public Hearing Notice Published on | $\underline{9 / 16 / 02}$ |
| Public Hearing Held on | $\underline{9 / 23 / 02}$ |
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