

ORDINANCE NO 20-04

Introduced by: Thomas B. Willis, Jr.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 3.7 OF THE QUEENSTOWN CODE TO PROHIBIT THE PARKING OF VEHICLES AND TRAILERS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY WHERE A SIGN IS POSTED PROHIBITING PARKING BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF QUEENSTOWN

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Queenstown are authorized by the Maryland Code Annotated, Local Government Article, § 5-202 to pass ordinances that the Town Commissioners deem necessary to protect the health, comfort and convenience of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Queenstown are authorized by the Maryland Code Annotated, Transportation Article, § 26-301 to adopt ordinances or regulations that regulate the parking of vehicles, including regulating the towing of vehicles from publicly owned and privately-owned parking lots, as well as the issuance of citations for a violation of parking regulations adopted by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Queenstown have determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to amend Chapter 3 of the Queenstown Town Code, Section 3.7 to prohibit the parking of vehicles and trailers on public property where a sign is posted prohibiting parking by the Commissioners of Queenstown.

NOW THEREFORE, the Commissioners of Queenstown hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 3.7 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 3.7 Parking in prohibited places.

B. A person shall not cause or knowingly permit a vehicle, boat trailer, camping trailer, oversized vehicle, mobile home, semi-trailer, trailer, or travel trailer, owned by him or under his control to be parked on public property where a sign is posted prohibiting parking. Signs prohibiting parking shall be posted by the Commissioners of Queenstown, or any agent or designee of the Town of Queenstown pursuant to the authority of the Queenstown Commissioners.

*BC. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall receive a **municipal infraction** citation, either in person or by having same placed in a conspicuous place on the vehicle which he or she was using at the time of the violation of said provisions, to appear before the District Court of Queen Anne's County, to answer a charge of violating the provisions of this Ordinance; provided, however, that if the person, firm or corporation may pay the fine or fines charges against them, have the effect of dismissing this citation.*

In addition to a municipal infraction, any violation of this Chapter shall result in the removal and storage of the violator's vehicle, boat trailer, camping trailer, oversized vehicle, mobile home, semi-trailer, trailer, or travel trailer, which costs shall be borne by the owner in addition to any fine.

In any prosecution charging a violation of this Ordinance, proof that the particular vehicle described in the summons was parked in violation of the Ordinance, together with proof that the defendant named in the summons was parked in violation of the Ordinance, together with proof that the defendant named in the summons was at the time of such parking or other unlawful act the registered owner of such vehicle, shall constitute a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of such vehicle was the person who parked and placed vehicle at the point, where, and for the time during which such violation occurred.


ED. If any section or provision, or part thereof, of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such jurisdiction shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any section, provision or part thereof, not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

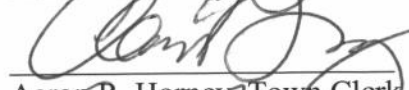
Section 2. Unless specifically amended as set forth above, all other provisions of the Queenstown Town Code shall remain unchanged.


Section 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Town Commissioners of Queenstown hereby declare that they would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional.

ORDAINED, APPROVED, AND PASSED by the Town Commissioners for the Town of Queenstown on this 23 day of September, 2020.

WITNESS:



Aaron R. Horney, Town Clerk



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TOWN COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN:


Thomas B. Willis, Jr., President


Alton Hardee, Jr., Commissioner


Bryan Callahan, Commissioner

TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN
BOAT LANDING USE & PARKING REGULATIONS

Users of this boat landing are required to follow Town regulations. Pursuant to Sections 3.7 and 13.1 of the Queenstown Town Code, a person found in violation of this sign will be found in violation of the Queenstown Town Code and may be found guilty of a municipal infraction and charged a fine. In addition to fines being assessed, failure to follow this sign will result in your vehicle or trailer being towed and stored at the vehicle or trailer owner's expense.

The Commissioners of Queenstown hereby impose the following regulations on the boat landing and parking area:

1. Persons using the boat landing and launch area do so *at their own risk*. The Town shall not be responsible for loss, damage, or any kind of injury sustained by using the boat landing or launch area.
2. All trucks/trailers/passenger vehicles must park in designated parking areas.
3. No parking in, or blocking of, the "boat trailer launch zone" area.
4. No parking on grass, except in spaces clearly marked.
5. No overflow parking is provided – if parking spaces are full, please leave the premises.
6. No parking along Skipjack Cove Lane unless spaces are marked for such.
7. No blocking of other vehicles/trailers. Unattended vehicles blocking others will be towed.
8. Consumption of alcohol is prohibited.
9. Trash must be placed in receptacles provided or must be removed from the premises.

By Order of the Commissioners of Queenstown