

Subject Matter: Speed Limit Ordinance
Date First Presented and Read by Council at
Public Meeting: December 1, 2003
Date of Adoption, Public Hearing and Second
Reading at a Public Meeting: January 5, 2004

**TOWN OF SHARPSBURG
COUNTY OF COWETA
STATE OF GEORGIA**

ORDINANCE NUMBER 04-02

TOWN OF SHARPSBURG, GEORGIA

PREAMBLE & FINDINGS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council find the current speed limit of the streets of Sharpsburg detracts from the safety of the motorists and the pedestrians who make use of Sharpsburg's streets; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council desire to maintain an environment on Sharpsburg's streets which allow for the greatest motorist and pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council desire to protect the health, safety, morals, and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Sharpsburg and all those who travel on Sharpsburg's streets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE ONE

Chapter 84 entitled, "Traffic and Vehicles." Chapter 84 of the Town of Sharpsburg Code of Ordinances is hereby created.

ARTICLE TWO

Sec. 84-1 Speed Restrictions on Town Streets.

a) All persons operating vehicles traveling upon any part of Main Street, Church Street, Stovall Street, Angel Trace, Norman Way, Marsha Way, McIntosh Trail, Williams Circle, Haines Trail, Sunset Drive, Cole Street, Terrentine Street, and all other Town of Sharpsburg streets (excluding state highways) shall observe a TWENTY FIVE (25) mile per hour speed limit.

(b) Exceptions to the Town of Sharpsburg’s TWENTY FIVE (25) mile per hour speed limit shall apply only to emergency vehicles responding to or performing in the official capacity for which the vehicles were designed and for which the operators were trained.

(c) Violations of this article may be enforced and citations issued thereon by code violation officers of the Town of Sharpsburg or Coweta County who have jurisdiction over the Town of Sharpsburg streets, and said citation shall be returnable to the municipal court of the Town of Sharpsburg and shall be tried in said court.

(d) Any person, corporation, partnership or other entity violating this section shall be tried before the municipal court of the Town of Sharpsburg and shall, upon conviction, be subject to up to the maximum fine and/or the maximum term of imprisonment by the Town’s Charter.

ARTICLE THREE

This Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon its second reading and adoption by the Town Council.

ARTICLE FOUR

The Preamble of this Ordinance shall be construed to be, and is hereby incorporated by reference as is fully set out herein.

ARTICLE FIVE

The sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared illegal by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such an illegality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE SIX

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

ARTICLE SEVEN

Article Two of this Ordinance shall be codified at Chapter 84, Section 84-1 of the Town’s Code of Ordinances entitled: “Traffic and Vehicles.”

[SIGNATURES APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

Ordained by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Sharpsburg, this the _5th day of
January, 2004 by the following voting for adoption.

Mayor, Wendell L. Staley

Council Member, J. Clay Cole

Council Member, Larry W. Hyde

Council Member, Derrick McElwaney

Council Member Standly D. Parten

Attest:

Robin L. Spradlin, Town Clerk