

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, have on July 8, 1969, May 26, 1970, April 30, 1974, August 13, 1974 and August 27, 1974 adopted various Ordinances and Amendments thereto relating to the operation of motor vehicles along the beaches of Walton County, Florida, and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that said Ordinances should be amended again on an emergency basis, to protect the citizens of Walton County, Florida, and to allow continued use of the beaches, and

WHEREAS, the Board feels that the adoption of this Emergency Ordinance would benefit the people of Walton County, Florida, and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that an emergency exists and adopted said ordinance by a four-fifths vote,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, that the following rules and regulations be adopted regarding motor vehicle traffic along the beaches of Walton County, Florida:

1. All vehicular traffic along the beaches of Walton County, Florida as hereinafter provided, shall be limited to four-wheel drive vehicles.

2. Before any such four-wheel drive vehicle described above should be allowed along the beaches of Walton County, Florida a permit authorizing access to the beaches must be obtained from the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida.

3. Application for permits may be obtained from the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida.

4. All applications for permits shall be accompanied by an application fee to be determined as follows: (a) Walton County residents \$6.00, (b) out of county applicants \$25.00, (c) Walton County residents over age 65 no charge.

5. All applications shall be accompanied by photographs showing the front and side view of the motor vehicle for which the permit is sought.

6. All applications will be acted upon at regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida.

7. All applications must be received at least two days prior to the next regular meeting at which said application shall be acted upon.

8. All permits issued shall be accompanied by a six inch by six inch decal which must be conspicuously displayed upon the motor vehicle for which the permit is granted.

9. Speed limit on all vehicles for which permits have been issued shall be ten miles per hour when traveling along the public beaches of Walton County, Florida.

10. Conviction for reckless driving along the beaches or any other violation of the provisions of this Ordinance, including unlawful speed, shall result in the automatic revocation of the permit.

11. All permits issued shall be for a period of two years.

12. Any violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be penalized as follows: (a) First offense \$250.00 fine, (b) Second offense \$350.00 fine, (c) Third offense and all subsequent offenses \$500.00 fine.

13. A variance from the provisions of this Ordinance may be granted by the Board of County Commissioners upon four-fifths vote of the entire Board.

14. Any portion of this Ordinance ruled unconstitutional in a court of law shall not effect the remainder.

15. This Ordinance shall be effective as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 12 day of April, 1977.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WALTON COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Lloyd Weeks  
Lloyd Weeks, Chairman

ATTEST:

Philip A. Anderson  
Philip A. Anderson, Clerk