

**CHAPTER 2 SPEED LIMITS**

## 201 Speed Limits

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle on a public way in the urban compact area of the Town of Exeter at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour, unless otherwise provided by subsections of this Chapter.

## 202 20 – miles per hour

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in excess of 20 miles per hour on any of the following streets, highways and/or public ways:

Bayberry Lane  
Westside Drive subdivision

## 203 25 – miles per hour

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in excess of 25 miles per hour on any of the following streets, highways and/or public ways.

Court Street from Front Street to Bell Avenue  
Front Street from Water Street to Westside Drive  
Garfield Street  
Main Street  
Riverbend Circle  
Water Street

## 204 35 – miles per hour

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in excess of 35 miles per hour on any of the following streets, highways or public ways.

## 205 20 – miles per hour / School Zones

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in excess of 20 miles per hour in any school zone while children are at recess or going to or leaving school.

## 206 Basic Rule and Maximum Speed

No person shall drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing. In every event, speed shall be so controlled as may be necessary to avoid colliding with any person, vehicle or other conveyance on or entering the highway in compliance with legal requirements and duty of all persons to use due care.

## 207 Speed Exception

The speed limitations set forth in this Chapter shall not apply to vehicles when operated with due regard for safety under the direction of the law enforcement

officers in the case of apprehension of violators of the law or of persons charged with or suspected of any such violation, in response to a fire alarm, nor to public or private ambulances or other emergencies. This exemption shall not, however, protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequences of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

210 Penalties

A person violating any provision of Chapter 2 of the traffic code shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for each offense.

