

Chapter 24
TOWN OF SKOWHEGAN

FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION
Adopted : Annual Town Meeting March 11, 2000

Art. I. In General,

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SECTION 1. Fire limits described.

The fire limits of the Town of Skowhegan is that area within the following described bounds:

Commencing on the southerly line of Water Street at its intersection with the westerly line of North Avenue; thence northerly along the westerly line of North Avenue to Cross Street, so-called; thence westerly along the southerly line of Cross Street to the easterly line of Court Street, so-called; thence northerly along the easterly line of Court Street to the southerly line of High Street; thence, westerly along the southerly line of High Street crossing Madison Avenue and continuing westerly one hundred and fifteen feet (115') to the westerly line of the Town of Skowhegan Assessor's map 26 lot #116; thence southerly three hundred and eighty feet (380') along the westerly line of the Town of Skowhegan Assessor's property map 26 lots #116, 115, 114; to Elm Street; thence, across Elm Street to a point eighty (80) feet westerly from the westerly line of Madison Avenue; thence continuing southerly the same distance of eighty (80) feet from said Madison Avenue and crossing Water Street to the Kennebec River; thence continuing southerly and easterly along said river to a point in line with the easterly boundary of the Municipal Building lot; thence northerly in a straight line to the south side of said Water Street; thence in a straight line to the point of beginning. (Town Meeting, 03-08-09; Town Meeting, 3-31-53)

SECTION 2. Construction of wooden buildings in fire limits

Within the fire limits of Skowhegan there shall not hereafter be erected any wooden buildings, except small additions to existing structures, and those only with and by the written consent of a majority of the Selectmen.

EXCEPTION: Non fire resistive construction would be permitted if an approved automatic sprinkler system is provided.

SECTION 3. Single chimneys.

No unlined single brick chimneys shall hereafter be built, but single brick chimneys which are properly lined with fire proof tile and acceptable to the fire chief may be allowed.

SECTION 4. Rubbish accumulation prohibited; penalty.

(a) The accumulation of rubbish, which may more readily cause the spread of fire, either within or without any building, is prohibited. Any such accumulation shall at once be removed on request of the fire chief.

(b) Violators of this section shall be subject to the provisions of section 7-5.
(Town Meeting, 3-8-09, §12; Selectmen's meeting, 5-5-53)

SECTION 5 Penalty for violating section 7-4.

A person who violates any provisions of this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) may be adjudged.