

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. O-8-2019-025

ORDINANCE OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE,  
ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"

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**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 122-35 of the Code of the Township of Monroe, entitled "Schedule VI; Trucks Over Four Tons Excluded" shall be amended as follows: (new text is in **red and underlined**)

In accordance with the provisions of § 122.11, trucks over four (4) tons gross weight are hereby excluded from the following described streets or parts of streets except for the pickup and delivery of materials on such streets or the transport of individuals to and from locations on such streets:

<u>NAME OF STREET</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>ADD</u>	
<u>Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road</u>	<u>Between Wyckoffs Mills Rd. and Applegarth Rd.</u>
<u>Federal Road</u>	<u>Between Perrineville Rd. and Applegarth Rd.</u>

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 122-44.1. entitled "Schedule XVA" of the Code of the Township of Monroe, which Section establishes "Speed Limits" within the Township of Monroe shall be amended as follows: (new text is in **red and underlined**, text to be deleted is ~~struck~~)

<u>NAME OF STREET</u>	<u>SPEED LIMIT</u> <u>(mph)</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>ADD</u>		
<u>Perrineville Road</u> <u>School Zone Speed Limit at</u> <u>High School and Middle School</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>When children are present.</u>

AMEND

<u>Perrineville Road</u> Zone 2	40	<del>From 2,200 feet south of the Monroe Township-Jamesburg Borough line. except 35 mph School Speed Limit in the Monroe Township High School area in Zone 1, when the presence of children is clearly visible from the roadway or while children are going to or leaving school during opening or closing hours</del>
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**SECTION 3.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4.** If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect twenty days after final passage, adoption and publication according to law.

  
STEPHEN DALINA, Council President

RECORDED VOTE – INTRODUCTION – August 5, 2019						
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Baskin		X	X			
Councilwoman Cohen	X		X			
Councilman Dipierro			X			
Council V. President Schneider			X			
Council President Dalina			X			

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on August 5, 2019. Said Ordinance will again be read and considered for final passage at the next scheduled meeting of the Monroe Township Council to be held on September 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe Township Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, New Jersey 08831. At said time and place all persons having an interest in the foregoing Ordinance will be granted an opportunity to be heard concerning the same prior to consideration for final passage by the Council.



PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

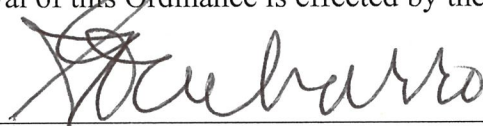
RECORDED VOTE – SECOND READING & FINAL ADOPTION– September 4, 2019						
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Baskin	X		X			
Councilwoman Cohen		X	X			
Councilman Dipierro			X			
Council V. President Schneider			X			
Council President Dalina			X			

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**MAYORAL APPROVAL**

By virtue of the Optional Municipal Charter Law of 1950 and Chapter 3, Section 19 of the Code of the Township of Monroe, my approval of this Ordinance is effected by the affixing of my signature hereto.



GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Mayor

Date signed: 9/5/19



# Township of Monroe

MARK J. RASIMOWICZ, PE, PP, CME, CPWM  
Township Engineer

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING  
c/o Center State Engineering  
481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road  
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Friday, July 26, 2019

**Township of Monroe**  
**Alan Weinberg, Business Administrator**  
1 Municipal Plaza  
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

**Re: Revisions to Township Ordinance, Chapter 122**  
**Vehicles and Traffic**  
**Monroe Township, New Jersey**

Dear Mr. Weinberg,

The Monroe Township Police Department and this office has conducted an inspection of several roadways in response to resident concerns. Based on our inspection, we recommend that the Township amend the Monroe Township Ordinance related to weight restrictions as noted:

**Section 122-11 and 122-35 be revised to establish 4 Ton Weight Restriction:**

**Add:**

**Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road**  
**Federal Road**

**Between Wyckoff Mills and Applegarth Road**  
**Between Perrineville Road and Applegarth Road**

If you require additional information to support these recommendations, kindly advise. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,  
Center State Engineering

Mark Rasimowicz, PE, PP, CME  
Township Engineer

Attachment-MTPD Special Reports

cc: Patricia Reid, Township Clerk  
Wayne Horbatt, DPW

Michael Biennas, Chief, MTPD  
Stephen Dalina, Council President

**MONROE TOWNSHIP**  
**DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**  
**SPECIAL REPORT**

TO: Chief M. Biennas  
FROM: Ofc. D. Mosakowski #101  
DATE: 07-23-2019  
SUBJECT: Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road. Traffic Issue.

Sir:

Recently I have been looking into a traffic complaint on Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road between Wyckoffs Mills Road and Applegarth Road. It was brought to my attention that larger sized vehicles (especially trucks and trucks towing trailers) have issues on this section of roadway due to its design.

I have been monitoring the traffic on this section of Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road. I believe that the current posted 35mph speed limit is appropriate for Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road, but the road is very narrow, with little to no paved shoulder on the roadway edges. There are also deep drainage ditches on either side of the roadway. I have also observed the roadway deteriorating at a faster rate than other roads which I believed could be contributed by heavy trucks traveling on this roadway which has minimal support due to it being built near/over wetlands.

Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road at the intersection with Wyckoffs Mills Road is a "T" style intersection which is very narrow with guardrails on all sides. This intersection is not designed to allow larger vehicles especially trucks and trucks with trailers to make turns at this intersection in any direction.

My recommendation is to establish a 4-ton weight restriction on Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road between Wyckoffs Mills Road and Applegarth Road and making the proper amendments to Monroe Twp. Ordinance 122-11 & 122-35 to exclude motor vehicles over four (4) tons gross weight from this section of Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road except for the pickup and delivery of materials or transport of individuals to and from residences/job sites on this section of Wyckoffs Mills Applegarth Road.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Ofc. D. Mosakowski #101*

Officer Daniel Mosakowski

**MONROE TOWNSHIP**  
**DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**  
**SPECIAL REPORT**

TO: Chief M. Biennas  
FROM: Ofc. D. Mosakowski #101  
DATE: 07-23-2019  
SUBJECT: Federal Road. Traffic Issue

Sir:

Over the past few months I have been looking into a traffic complaint on Federal Road between Perrineville Road and Applegarth Road. It was brought to my attention that vehicles travel at a high rate of speed and that larger sized vehicles (especially trucks and trucks towing trailers) have issues on this section of roadway due to its design.

Over the past several months I have been monitoring the traffic on this section of Federal Road, and also placed the speed trailer on that road. I believe that the current posted 35mph speed limit is appropriate for Federal Road, but the road is very narrow, with little to no paved shoulder on the roadway edges. There are also deep drainage ditches on either side of the roadway which on some sections has guardrails between the drainage ditches and the roadway edge. I have also observed the roadway deteriorating at a faster rate than other roads which I believed could be contributed by heavy trucks traveling on this roadway which has minimal support due to it being built near/over wetlands.

Federal Road between England Road and Lionheart Road also has a hillcrest with a narrow sharp curve which provides limited visibility to drivers traveling in opposite directions. Over the past several months I have had to assist several tractor trailers negotiate this curve in the roadway.

The road is narrow and does not have a shoulder on either side of the road. Trucks and larger vehicles have difficulty negotiating the curve even at low speeds and at times have to drive on or over the double yellow center line or off the road. It is even a bigger issue if there are two trucks approaching the curve at the same time from opposite directions.

My recommendation is to establish a 4-ton weight restriction on Federal Road between Perrineville Road and Applegarth Road and making the proper amendments to Monroe Twp.

Ordinance 122-11 & 122-35 to exclude motor vehicles over four (4) tons gross weight from this section of Federal Road except for the pickup and delivery of materials or transport of individuals to and from residences/job sites on this section of Federal Road.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Off. Dan Mosakowski #101*

Officer Daniel Mosakowski



*Township of Monroe*  
County of Middlesex

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Township Engineer

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July 26, 2019

REVISED

RE

Ms. Patricia Reid, RMC, Township Clerk  
Municipal Complex  
1 Municipal Plaza  
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

*Re: Traffic, Speed Limit  
Ordinance Revisions*

Dear Ms. Reid:

Following our evaluation and an inspection by the Monroe Township Police Department, I offer the following recommendation to amend the Monroe Township Ordinance related to Speed Limits as described below:

**Ordinance # 122-44.1 Schedule XVA: Speed Limits**

To include the following description:

Revision to Perrineville Road, Zone 2

Remove: All verbiage related to School Zone Speed Limits in Zone 2

**Add: School Zone Speed Limit at High School and Middle School 25MPH**  
When Children are Present

I have attached an Evaluation of Speed Limit, as prepared by my office, which includes the Monroe Township Police Department Special Report endorsing this change. Please advise if you require additional information for the proposed amendment.

Sincerely,

Mark Rasimowicz, PE, PP, CME, CPWM  
Township Engineer

Cc: Chief Michael J. Biennas, MTPD      Alan Weinberg, Business Administrator  
Wayne Horbatt, DPW

# *Township of Monroe*



**Evaluation of Speed Limit  
for  
Perrineville Road (CR625)  
Within  
Limits of Existing School Zone at Schoolhouse Road**

Township of Monroe

Middlesex County, New Jersey

Center State Engineering No. 19-001-04

July 23, 2019

Prepared by:

Center State Engineering  
481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road  
Monroe Township, NJ 08831  
(732)605-9440

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**Mark J. Rasimowicz, PE, PP, CME**  
Township Engineer, Township of Monroe

New Jersey Licensed Professional Engineer No. 24GE04248700

## **INTRODUCTION**

This report has been prepared to review the existing speed limit along a portion of Perrineville Road (aka County Route 625), which is located within an existing School Zone at the intersection of Schoolhouse Road. Said School Zone is adjacent to the existing Middle School and High School at the intersection of Perrineville and Schoolhouse Roads. The purpose of this review is to determine if the existing School Zone speed limit is reasonable for existing and anticipated traffic along this portion of the road when children are present. In addition to this, this report also provides an engineering recommendation for any changes to the School Zone speed limit.

The subject portion of Perrineville road is a two lane undivided County Route that is approximately 1 mile in length with varying horizontal and vertical geometry. This section of road includes a traffic signal at the intersection of Schoolhouse Road along with dedicated turn lanes, shoulders, and crosswalks with signage and striping for same. The current posted speed limit for this area is 45MPH with a 35MPH School Zone restriction "When Children Are Present".

Currently, this stretch of Perrineville Road provides access to multiple residential properties, large age-restricted residential developments, the post office, Township Administration/Police Department, Middle School and High School Campus, recreational facilities, and a direct route to Jamesburg and points beyond. In addition to this, neighboring communities have also experienced the development of large tracts of land for residential properties. This development has led to an increase in population, which adds to the volume of vehicles via pass-through traffic. These factors have contributed to a significant increase in traffic over the past several years.

## **TRAFFIC STATISTICS**

The Monroe Township Police Department conducted traffic monitoring in this area during the 2018-2019 school year. Results of this monitoring are summarized in a Special Report prepared by the Monroe Township Police Department. Based upon the traffic monitoring, it is the recommendation of the Monroe Township Police Department that the 35MPH School Zone restriction "When Children Are Present" along this stretch of roadway be reduced to 25 MPH. A copy of the Special Report issued by the Monroe Township Police Department outlining the survey is attached hereto.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

This office, in capacity as Township Engineer for Monroe Township, has reviewed results of the referenced/attached traffic monitoring. We have also reviewed existing conditions of the roadway and currently proposed additional residential/commercial developments for the area. Based upon this data, we concur with the recommendation of the Monroe Township Police Department. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the Office of the Monroe Township Engineer that the 35MPH School Zone restriction "When Children Are Present" be reduced to 25MPH along the subject stretch of road.

**MONROE TOWNSHIP**  
**DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**  
**SPECIAL REPORT**

TO: Chief M. Biennas  
FROM: Ofc. D. Mosakowski #101  
DATE: 07-25-2019  
SUBJECT: Perrineville Road near High School and Middle School. Traffic Issue.

Sir:

During the 2018-2019 school year I monitored traffic throughout the school year in the area of Perrineville Road and Schoolhouse Road near the Monroe Township High School and Monroe Township Middle School. While monitoring traffic I observed a very high volume of vehicular traffic as well as pedestrian traffic in the area. The highest volume of traffic going into and coming out of the schools is during the start and end times of the school days. The current starting times for both schools are also during the morning rush hour for commuters traveling to work; which adds to more vehicular traffic attempting to travel through the school zone and not enter the schools. The Monroe Township Police Department has also responded to a number of motor vehicle crashes in this area as well.

At the current time the Monroe Township Middle School also has trailer style class rooms set up on the far western section of the parking lot near Perrineville Road. The speed limit on Perrineville Road is 45 mph when school children are not present and 35 mph when they are. The current speed limit on Schoolhouse Road near the Monroe Township High School is 25 mph at all times.

Based on my observations throughout the school year I agree with the Monroe Township Board of Education that the speed limit on Perrineville Road near both the Monroe Township High School and Monroe Township Middle School should be reduced to 25 mph when children are present. I believe this speed reduction is necessary for the safety of all motorists and pedestrians in the area.

Attached to this report is a copy of the Monroe Township Board of Education's motion to the Township for the speed reduction.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Ofc. Daniel Mosakowski #101*

Officer Daniel Mosakowski

*(Signature)*

*4/25/19*

**MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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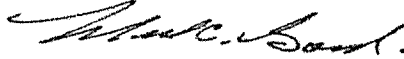
**MICHAEL C. GORSKI, CPA**  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

I hereby certify that the following is a true and exact excerpt from the minutes of the Public Board of Education Meeting held on July 17, 2019, at which time a quorum was present.

A motion was made by Mr. Tufano and seconded by Ms. Lang that the members of the Monroe Township Board of Education authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit correspondence on behalf of the Board to Monroe Township, seeking the Township's approval of a reduction in the speed limit in the school zone on Perrineville Road in Monroe Township from 35 mph to 25 mph.

Roll call 8-0-0-0-2 motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael C. Gorski, CPA  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary



# Township of Monroe

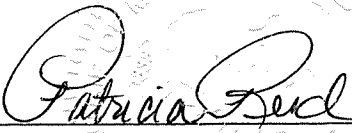
County of Middlesex

**PATRICIA REID**  
Township Clerk

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## Affidavit of Publication

I, Patricia Reid, Township Clerk, of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the attached legal notice is a true copy of such notice, which was published in the Home News Tribune, the official newspapers of Monroe Township and newspaper of general circulation in the County of Middlesex on August 9, 2019.

  
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Patricia Reid, Township Clerk

Ad Number: 0003724034

Run Dates: 08/09/19

MONROE TOWNSHIP  
NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE  
ORDINANCE NO.: O-8-2019-025  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" has been introduced and passed on first reading at the regular meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on August 5, 2019 and will be further considered for final passage after a Public Hearing during the council meeting to be held on September 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Monroe Twp. Municipal Building, One Municipal Plaza, Monroe Twp., N.J. 08831. At said time and place, all persons will be granted the opportunity to be heard concerning this Ordinance prior to its consideration for adoption by Council.  
The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend the code as follows:  
Trucks Over Four Tons Excluded on Wyckoff Mills Rd. between Wyckoff Mills Rd. and Applegarth Rd. and on Federal Rd. between Perrineville Rd. and Applegarth Rd. and Speed Limit Reduction from 35mph to 25mph on Perrineville Road at the High School and Middle School when children are present.  
The proposed Ordinance in its entirety can be viewed on the Township website, [www.monroetwp.com](http://www.monroetwp.com) and is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office. Copies may be obtained without charge between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm. Monday through Friday.  
Patricia Reid, Municipal Clerk

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# Township of Monroe


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Patricia Reid, Township Clerk

Ad Number: 0003777737

Run Dates: 09/09/19

### MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY NOTICE OF FINAL ADOPTION

Notice is hereby given that the following entitled Ordinance was introduced and passed on First Reading at the regular meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on August 5, 2019. Furthermore, this Ordinance was adopted after a Public Hearing was held at the September 4, 2019 regular meeting of the Monroe Township Council at One Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, N.J. 08831 and was thereafter approved and signed by the Mayor on September 5, 2019.

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PATRICIA REID, R.M.C.  
Monroe Township Municipal

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