

"Posted Roads" in Maine

During the winter and spring, some of Maine's roads weaken and they need to be protected. As temperatures warm and the ground thaws, soil under the pavement becomes saturated with water, making the pavement unstable. As a result, many roads cannot support heavy loads.

This means that a road carrying a 15-ton load in the summer or winter may only be able to carry a 5-ton load in the spring when it thaws. A posted state road's maximum weight limit is 23,000 pounds. The posting is temporary and is designed to protect a road while it is vulnerable. Repairing or rebuilding a road is expensive, at times costing over \$1 million per mile.

Why we post

Asphalt roads are at their weakest when the ground begins to thaw and the materials underneath a road's surface are saturated with moisture. Travelling over roads that have a saturated base underneath can cause cracking, potholes, and rutting. Heavy trucks can completely break through asphalt and severely damage a road.

ANNIS ROAD

BAILEY ROAD

BAKER ROAD

BARKER ROAD

BIRD HILL ROAD

CARVER ROAD

CHANDLER HILL ROAD

CHAPMAN HILL ROAD

CHASE ROAD

EDEN LANE

EVERGREEN ROAD

EYPPER ROAD

FERRY ROAD

FLAT ROAD

FLEMMING ROAD

GIBSON ROAD

GORE ROAD

GROVER HILL ROAD

HOLT HILL ROAD

INTERVALE ROAD

KIMBALL HILL ROAD

LIBERTY LANE

MARTIN LANE

MCCRILLIS BROOK ROAD

MEADOWBROOK BRIDGE ROAD

MOUNTAIN VIEW CIRCLE

NORTH ROAD (Beyond Douglass Pit)

OSGOOD ROAD

PARADISE ROAD

PARIS ROAD

RABBITT ROAD

RIVERSIDE LANE

SKILLINGS ROAD

SMITH FARM ROAD

STEVENS ROAD

SUNSET LANE

SWAN HILL ROAD

TAYLOR SMITH ROAD

TERRACE ROAD

WINSLOW ROAD