

ORDINANCE NO. 74- 32

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS OF 15 MILES PER HOUR UPON PUBLIC OCEAN BEACHES NOT WITHIN INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITIES IN NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, is authorized to set maximum and minimum speed zones upon County roads under Section 316.182(2) of the Florida Statutes, and

WHEREAS, the Board, after full and careful investigation and in conformity to criteria promulgated by the State Road Department, has determined that in the best interest of public safety and welfare, the maximum speed limit on public ocean beaches be fifteen (15) miles per hour,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida:

Section One. MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT

There is hereby established a maximum speed limit for all motor vehicles except authorized vehicles upon all public ocean beaches not within incorporated municipalities of fifteen (15) miles per hour.

Section Two. SIGNS TO BE POSTED.

There shall be posted at all access roads to public ocean beaches, and in appropriate areas along said beaches, clearly legible signs showing such maximum speed limits, to adequately inform the public of said speed zones.

Section Three DEFINITIONS.

The Following terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) Motor vehicle shall include automobiles, trucks, trailers, campers, motorcycles, tractors, dune buggies, wagons or any machine propelled by power other than human power, designed to travel along the ground by use of wheels, treads, runners or slides and transport persons or property or pull machinery.

(b) Authorized vehicles; Vehicles of the fire departments, fire patrol, police departments, and emergency vehicles of Nassau County and the various municipalities located within Nassau County;

ambulances and motor vehicles that are authorized as emergency vehicles by the Department of Highway Safety of the State of Florida, Nassau County, and the various municipalities of the State of Florida; motor vehicles of the Sheriff and deputies of Nassau County, Florida; and motor vehicles authorized by Nassau County and the various municipalities located within Nassau County to be exempt from the restriction of this ordinance in performing a public function.

Section Four. CODE.

It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners, and it is hereby ordained, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Nassau County, Florida; that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention; and that the word ordinance may be changed to section, article, or other appropriate word.

Section Five. PENALTIES.

A violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine or imprisonment or both such fine and imprisonment as provided for in Fla. Stat. §316.026 (1973).

Section Six. DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY.

The Board of County Commissioners hereby declares an emergency exists and that the immediate enactment of this Ordinance is necessary. By reason of said emergency, the Board hereby waives the notice requirement as provided by law.

Section Seven. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall be deemed to be filed effective when a certified copy hereof has been accepted by the postal authorities of the government of the United States for special delivery by registered mail to the Department of State in Tallahassee.

DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session by the unanimous vote of the Board of County Commissioners, this 14 day of May , A. D. 1974.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

By A. Ray Beville
A. Ray Beville, Chairman

ATTEST:

D. O. Oxley
D. O. Oxley, Ex-officio Clerk