

# Town of Hampton



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### NO IDLE POLICY

It is the policy of the Town of Hampton to create environmental policies that will assist in the preservation of acceptable levels of public health. The creation and enforcement of a "No Idle Policy" will assist in that effort. Excessive idling of motor vehicles contributes to smog, global warming, and the waste of taxpayer's funds and resources and adverse health issues related to excessive car, truck and bus engine emissions and noise. The following policy is therefore established to counter the negative aspects of unnecessary engine idling.

#### Policy

No employee shall cause, suffer, allow or permit the unnecessary operation of the engine of a motor vehicle while said vehicle is stopped for a foreseeable period of time in excess of five minutes.

This requirement shall not apply to the following:

- (a) vehicles engaged in Public Safety and Public Works activities for which engine assisted power is necessary and substitute alternate means of power cannot be made available, or
- (b) vehicles engaged in an operation for which engine power is necessary for an associate power needs other than movement and substitute alternate power means cannot be made available, or
- (c) vehicles engaged in the delivery or acceptance of goods, wares, or merchandise for which engine assisted power is necessary and substitute alternate means of power cannot be made available, or
- (d) vehicles being serviced provided that operation of the engine is essential to the proper repair thereof.

  
Frederick Welch  
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