

PRESS RELEASE

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25 MPH: It's Now the Law

Following a lengthy process involving a [2019 resolution](#) expressing support for Assemblywoman Amy Paulin's successful efforts to establish legislation authorizing local consideration of a 25 mph speed limit, as well as a [2022 public hearing](#) resulting in establishment of a village-wide 25 mph speed limit in Scarsdale, the local speed limit has been reduced from 30 mph to 25 mph.



The new speed limit, now in effect, applies to all streets in Scarsdale, with the exceptions of Weaver Street, Palmer Avenue, Heathcote Bypass, Post Road, Mamaroneck Road, and Griffen Avenue.

Key facts supporting the reduced speed limit include:

- The risk of pedestrian fatality is approximately 3.26 times higher with a 30 mph posted speed limit than with a 25 mph speed limit.
- The NYSDOT reports that 88% of pedestrian-involved accidents in New York occur in urbanized areas, such as Scarsdale, and 17% of such accidents are either fatal or incapacitating.
- Outside of New York City, the NYSDOT reports that Westchester County experiences the second most pedestrian-involved accidents in the state of New York.

Residents are encouraged to be mindful of their speed as they travel throughout the village. While a minor speed reduction, pedestrian safety and local quality of life are greatly enhanced.

Pedestrians are also reminded that when walking or running on local streets, always face oncoming traffic. Bicyclists, on the other hand, should ride in the same direction as traffic.