



# Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy

## SECTION I. QUALIFICATIONS AND ELIGIBILITY

**Purpose:** To address household concerns regarding aggressive driving on East Marlborough Township-owned residential streets.

**Traffic-calming measures (TCM) are physical traffic control or intervention measures designed to self-police a designated area that municipal law enforcement cannot address.**

**STOP SIGNS are not traffic calming measures and cannot be used for speed control.**

**Designated Area:** Any abutting household to the street segment where the TCM is requested. *The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to increase the boundaries of the designated area.*

Areas considered for **Traffic Calming Measures (TCM)** must meet the below qualifications.

### **Qualifications for a Traffic Calming Measure:**

- 1) The street shall have at most one travel lane in each direction.
- 2) The street shall have a posted speed limit of 30 mph or less.
- 3) The average vehicle speed shall not exceed 10 MPH over the legally posted speed limit (as required under PA Title 75, Sec. 3368.A4).
- 4) A traffic study conducted by the Township Police Department for at least three (3) days will determine the average vehicle speed.
- 5) The street shall have a high volume of pedestrian traffic generated from area parks, schools, recreational and business areas as determined by the Township Police Department.
- 6) Most of the households (i.e., more than 50%) in the designated area shall sign the TCM Petition 'In Favor' of having TCM(s) installed. They shall also sign that they have received a copy of the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy and agree to be bound by the traffic study's results.

### **Eligibility of a Traffic Calming Measure:**

- 1) Households must submit a standard TCM Petition (attached) to the Township Administration Office.
- 2) The application may be picked up at the Township Administration Office, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., or downloaded from the Township website at [www.eastmarlborough.org](http://www.eastmarlborough.org).
- 3) The Township Manager will confirm that a submitted TCM Petition qualifies for a traffic study.
- 4) The Township Police Dept. will conduct a traffic study of the designated area for three (3) days.
- 5) The traffic study results will determine whether the road qualifies for TCM(s) and will be shared with the TCM Petition Applicant.



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## SECTION II. APPLICANT PETITION PROCEDURES

### PROCEDURES:

- 1) The Applicant must contact all households in the designated area, advise them that a traffic-calming measure may be considered for their street(s), and provide them with a copy of the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy (“Policy”).
- 2) An adult representative of all households in the designated area shall acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Policy.
- 3) A signed Traffic Calming Measure (TCM) Petition reflecting the support of most of the households (i.e., greater than 50%) on the designated street(s) must be submitted.
- 4) Only one adult signature per household will be considered for the TCM Petition for acknowledging receipt of the Policy and being bound by the results of the Traffic Study.
- 5) The Township Manager will confirm that a submitted TCM Petition qualifies for a traffic study.
- 6) The Township Police Department shall conduct a traffic study of the designated area for at least three (3) days.
- 7) The Traffic Study results will determine whether the road qualifies for TCM(s).
- 8) The Applicant will receive a copy of the traffic study results and shall be responsible for providing a copy to all households in the designated area.
- 9) If the road qualifies for a TCM, the Board of Supervisors will determine what action, if any, will be taken at a regular public meeting. This includes designating the area where the TCM will be installed, the type of TCM to be installed, and whether that TCM will be temporary or permanent. The Township Manager will notify the Applicant of the public meeting date.

**DESIGNATED AREA:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Name Where TCM Requested

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Closest Intersection(s)

### APPLICANT ONLY

*I, the undersigned, hereby request that East Marlborough Township consider this petition for a Traffic-Calming Measure in the above-designated area based on the results of a traffic study.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Homeowner Circulating the Petition

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Address of Homeowner

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Homeowner Circulating the Petition

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date



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## SECTION III. PETITION FOR TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURE – NEIGHBORHOOD SIGNATURES

*Print as many copies of this page as necessary to obtain the required signatures.*

### **HOUSEHOLD ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENTS:**

**PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING**

- 1) *We, the undersigned, are Households of the residential area described in this petition.*
- 2) *Based on the results of the Traffic Study conducted by the Township Police Department, we understand that if this area meets the criteria, a Traffic Calming Measure (TCM), either temporary or permanent, may be installed as determined by the Board of Supervisors.*
- 3) *We acknowledge receipt of the Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy and shall be bound by the results of the Traffic Study to be conducted by the Township Police Department.*

	PRINT FIRST & LAST NAME	HOUSEHOLD ADDRESS	HOUSEHOLD SIGNATURE 'IN FAVOR' OF THE TCM PETITION	HOUSEHOLD SIGNATURE ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF THE POLICY & TO BE BOUND BY THE RESULTS OF THE TRAFFIC STUDY
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