



## Town of Lake Lure – Street Maintenance 101

### ***Who has the responsibility for maintaining streets, shoulders, ditches and rights-of-way throughout town?***

With 112 miles of roads in the town limits, streets in town are the responsibility of one of three groups:

- NC Department of Transportation (14 miles)
- The Town of Lake Lure (28 miles)
- Private property owners (70 miles)

**Town Streets:** Town streets are those roads, or portions of roads, that appear on our official Powell Bill map submitted annually to the state of North Carolina. These streets have either been officially dedicated to and accepted by the town, or the town has actively maintained them for years. Most of these are paved, but there are a few town streets with a gravel surface. In some cases, the town may actually have deeded ownership of the land under the road, but that is not always the case. The Town will enforce its right of way on all town streets when the town deems it appropriate to do so. Property owners cannot build upon or block the right of way of town streets. Where the town maintains only a portion of a road, we have placed “*End of Town Maintenance*” signs.

**Private Streets:** If a road is not a town street, then in most instances it is a private road. It is owned and maintained collectively by the adjoining property owners and, in many cases, owned collectively by all the lot owners in the subdivision. There may be an owner’s association overseeing maintenance and protection of these rights. It may be up to individual lot owners, singularly or collectively, to enforce those rights in private civil actions. There are approximately 70 miles of private roads in town.

**Planned Streets:** If a road was platted and recorded with the Register of Deeds, it will appear on the tax maps—even if it may never have been established, improved or maintained. This is a private street.

- The town will not perform maintenance on or along private streets without council approval.
- The town does not enforce right-of-way issues on private streets. If there are disputes over parking, chains, gates—these are issues between neighbors.

**State Roads in Lake Lure):**

Memorial Hwy (64/74A), NC 9 Hwy, Buffalo Shoals Road, Buffalo Creek Road.

**Examples of Town streets (their full length):**

Boys Camp Road, Seton Road, Charlotte Drive.

**Examples of Town streets (only a portion):**

Washburn Road, Proctor Road, Lakeridge, Allen Drive

**Examples of private streets:**

Mistletoe Park Lane, Caddy Lane, Knight Hollow Way, Garden Lane, all streets in Rumbling Bald Resort

**Examples of planned streets:**

Portions of Marina Drive, Asa Gray and Pleasant Circle.

**REPORTING A BROKEN OR BURNED OUT STREET LIGHT:** If you notice a broken or burned out light on a town street, you can report it [here](#), or call Town Hall at 828.625.9983 and press 0. Be sure to have information regarding the general vicinity of where the light is malfunctioning.