



Ordinance:

**Sec. 32-114 – Speed Bumps, Speed Humps**

(a) Definitions:

1. Speed Bump – a raised area across travel lanes with a travel length of 1 to 3 feet and a height of 3 to 5 inches.
2. Speed Hump – a raised area across a travel lane with a travel length of 12 to 14 feet and a height of 3 to 3.5 inches.

(b) Minimum Qualifications:

1. The road must be at least 800 feet long.
2. The road must have < 8% grade.
3. The road must be classified as Residential (Not Collector).
4. The road must have a posted speed limit of 25 MPH or less.
5. The road must be entirely maintained by Pickens County.
6. No traffic study has been performed in the last 2 years.
7. A County certified petition approved by 75% of property owners on the affected road shall accompany any requests for Speed Bumps/ Speed Humps.
8. Any requests for Speed Bumps/ Speed Humps within a subdivision shall be submitted in writing by the Homeowner's Association or other responsible persons and be accompanied by a County certified petition approved by 75% of property owners on the affected road and 25% of the remaining property owners within the subdivision.
9. 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed must exceed 15 mph over the posted speed limit.

(c) Design Criteria:

1. Speed Bumps/ Speed Humps are not permitted in a horizontal curve with a radius of less than 150 feet.
2. Speed Bumps/ Speed Humps shall not be placed in areas that may negatively affect Emergency Services Vehicles.
3. Speed Bumps/ Speed Humps placement shall not impede positive drainage from the roadway.
4. Speed Bumps shall be painted with a high visibility reflective yellow coating.
5. Speed Humps shall have markings in accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)*.
6. Appropriate signs shall be placed prior to Speed Bumps/ Speed Humps in accordance with the *MUTCD*.

(d) Requests:

1. All requests for Speed Bumps/ Speed Humps shall be submitted to the Engineering Department for review and approval. Request forms can be found on the county website or picked up at the Engineering office.
2. If *Minimum Qualifications* 1-8 are met the Engineering Department will conduct a traffic study to determine if Minimum qualification 9 is met.