

**Town of Chatham**  
**Scenic Roads**  
**FAQ's**

**What is a Scenic Road?**

A Scenic Road is a road which is designated by a town or government agency for the preservation of natural resources, aesthetics, and public safety and under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 40, Section 15c.

(<http://www.mass.gov/legis/laws/mgl/40-15c.htm>)

**How do I know if I live along a Scenic Road?**

The following have been designated as “Scenic Roads” at (ATM) Annual Town Meeting for the corresponding year.

**Designated 1974**

Andrew Hardings Lane  
Barn Hill Road  
Bridge Street  
Champlain Road  
Cockle Cove Road  
Crows Pond road  
Forest Beach Road  
Fox Hill Road  
Hardings Beach Road  
Holway Street  
Main Street (Bridge St to Shore Rd)  
Mill Creek Road  
Old Comers Road (Rt 28 to Training Field Rd)  
Old Harbor Road (Shore Rd to Stony Hill Rd)  
Pleasant Street  
Ridgevale Road  
Scatteree Road  
Shore Road  
Silverleaf Avenue  
Stage Harbor Road  
Water Street

**Designated 1986**

Barcliff Avenue  
Cedar Street  
Cotchpinicut Road  
Cross Street  
Eliphamets Lane  
Hallett Lane  
Hammond Lane  
Old Wharf Road  
Queen Anne Road  
School Street  
Sears Road  
Shattuck Place

**Designated in 1987**

Crowell Road (excluding those portions subject to HBD)  
Eldredge Square  
Old Queen Anne Road (excluding those portions subject to HBD)  
Sam Ryder Road (Middle Rd to Old Queen Anne Rd)  
Seaview Street (excluding those portions subject to HBD)  
Training Field Road

**I live along a Scenic Road and I would like to trim or remove a tree. Whom do I call?**

The Town Tree Warden (508) 945-5158

**When is a Public Hearing required?**

Prior to paving, repair, reconstruction and/or maintenance when it involves the removal and/or cutting of trees, or the tearing down or destruction of stone walls.

*Did you know that any tree within a public way is defined as a public tree (i.e. shade tree)?*

Please click on the following links for additional information on shade trees:

[Parks & Recreation – Shade Trees FAQ's](#)

[M.G.L. Chapter 87](#)