



## VILLAGE OF GODFREY — QUICK GUIDE FOR RESIDENTS

### How to request a *temporary* speed bump trial?

#### What is a temporary speed bump trial?

A **temporary speed bump** (portable speed bump) is a removable traffic-calming device that the Village installs for a limited time so we can measure whether it slows traffic and is workable for emergency vehicles, snow plows, and neighborhood needs.

#### Who can request a trial?

Any neighborhood group, HOA, or collection of residents on a Village-owned street may request a trial. The Village can also start trials on its own.

#### Quick steps — how to request a trial

1. **Get the petition.** Pick up or download the Village petition form from the Village website.
2. **Gather signatures.** We require signatures from **60% of households** on the affected block(s) adjacent to the proposed location.
3. **Submit application.** Turn in the completed petition, the application form, and location map/photos:  
**Village of Godfrey Clerk's Office**  
6810 Godfrey Road  
Godfrey, IL 62035  
Phone: (618) 466-3381 · Email: [clerk@godfreyil.gov](mailto:clerk@godfreyil.gov)
4. **Engineering study.** The Village will run short speed/volume counts, check crash history, street geometry, and confirm eligibility.
5. **If eligible → temporary trial.** Village installs the portable speed bump and required signs/markings. We re-measure speeds, collect resident feedback, and get input from Fire/EMS and Public Works. Typical trial length is **90 days** (min. 60, max. 180). Trials are avoided during winter months (Nov 15–Mar 31).
6. **Post-trial evaluation.** Village staff prepares a report and recommends next steps (remove, modify, or consider permanent installation).

#### What you can expect during a trial

- Portable bump(s) installed by Village crews.
- Advance warning signs, advisory speed plaques, and pavement markings, as required.
- Village will re-run speed/volume counts during the trial and receive resident feedback.
- Emergency services and Public Works will monitor for impacts on response times.



- After the trial, the applicant will receive the results and the Village's recommendation.
- Should the Village recommend approval of a permanent speed table, a subsequent petition will be required to be submitted to the Village Clerk prior to its installation.

### **Typical timeline**

- Application & petition gathered: depends on neighborhood (you control).
- Engineering study: ~2–4 weeks after submission (may vary).
- Trial installation: scheduled within weeks after approval.
- Trial duration: **~90 days**.
- Post-trial report & decision: ~2–4 weeks after trial ends.

### **Costs**

- The Village covers study costs and the temporary trial installation.
- If a permanent speed table is later approved, petitioners may be asked to share construction costs (details handled by Village Board/Resolution).

### **Common FAQs**

Q: Will a trial slow emergency vehicles or block snow plows?

A: The Village coordinates with Fire/EMS and Public Works before and during trials. If an installation creates unacceptable impacts, it will not be made permanent and may be removed earlier.

Q: Can I request removal if neighbors don't like it?

A: Yes. The Village monitors impacts and can remove devices for documented adverse effects (safety, maintenance, emergency response).

Q: What if my street is a state or county road?

A: Trials on non-Village roads need written permission from the responsible agency (IDOT or Madison County). The Village cannot install on those roads without authorization.

Q: How are locations chosen?

A: Locations are chosen based on petition boundaries, traffic study results, sight distance, grade, and engineering judgment.

### **Tips for a successful petition**

- Talk to neighbors before collecting signatures — address concerns about noise, access, and parking.
- Provide clear maps showing exactly where you'd like the trial device(s).