

Ordinance #132

Golf Carts and All-Terrain Vehicles Used on Designated Roadways

Definitions. For purposes of this ordinance, the terms motorized golf cart and four-wheel all-terrain vehicle shall be as construed or defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.045, subdivision 1.

Permit Required. Only duly permitted operators may operate motorized golf carts and four-wheel all-terrain vehicles on designated roadways. Permits shall be granted for a term not to exceed one year, and may be annually renewed.

Form of Permit Application. Permit applications shall require that the applicant either hold a valid driver's license or submit a certificate signed by a physician that the applicant is able to safely operate a motorized golf cart or four-wheel all-terrain vehicle on the roadways designated. Permit applications shall include full name, home address, driver's license number or copy of physician's certificate, and a copy of proof of required insurance.

Revocation. Permits may be revoked at any time if there is evidence that the permittee cannot safely operate the motorized golf cart or four-wheel all-terrain vehicle on designated roadways.

Insurance. The operator of a motorized golf cart or four-wheel all-terrain vehicle shall maintain liability insurance in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 65B.48, subdivision 5, or Minnesota Statutes, section 169.045, subdivision 8.

Designated Roadways. Operators of motorized golf carts and four-wheel all-terrain vehicles shall be limited to city streets and alleys. Motorized golf carts and four-wheel terrain vehicles are not permitted on county and state roads and highways or on city sidewalks, except that any intersecting street or highway may be crossed.

Times of Operation. Motorized golf carts and four-wheel all-terrain vehicles may only be operated on designated roadways from sunrise to sunset. They shall not be operated in inclement weather or when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog or other conditions, or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons and vehicles on the roadway at a distance of 500 feet.

Applicability of Traffic Laws. Every operator of a motorized golf cart or four-wheel all-terrain vehicle on designated roadways has all the rights and duties applicable to the driver of any other vehicle under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 169, except when those provisions cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts or four-wheel all-terrain vehicles.

Rear-View Mirror. Every motorized golf cart or four-wheel all-terrain vehicle which is so constructed, loaded or connected with another vehicle as to obstruct the driver's view to the rear thereof from the driver's position shall be equipped with a mirror so located as to reflect to the driver a view of the highway for a distance of 200 feet to the rear of such vehicle.

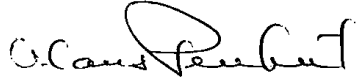
Slow-Moving Vehicle Emblem. Motorized golf carts shall display the slow-moving vehicle emblem provided for in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.522, when operated on designated roadways.

Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect beginning September 1, 2006.

Adopted by the Nicollet City Council this 9th day of August 2006.



Mike Mans, Mayor



Claus Peukert, City Clerk