

GOLF CARTS

§ 73.50 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this subchapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. Shall have the meaning expressed under I.C. 9-25-4-1 et seq. (as it now reads or may be amended in the future).

GOLF CART. A 4-wheeled motor vehicle originally and specifically designed and intended to transport 1 or more individuals and golf clubs for the purpose of playing the game of golf on a golf course, not privately assembled.

OPERATE. To exercise any control over the function or movement of a golf cart .

SLOW MOVING VEHICLE REFLECTOR SIGN. A triangle-shaped reflective sign of the same type required under state law.

STATE HIGHWAY. Any street under the control and/or maintained by the state and shall include, but not be limited to, U.S. Highway 20.

TOWN STREET. The entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly maintained or any public way open for the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel within the corporate limits of the town. The term includes, but is not necessarily limited to, streets, alleys, roads, highways, thoroughfares, or designated other areas specifically designated for golf carts.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.51 UNLAWFUL OPERATION OF A GOLF CART .

It shall be unlawful to operate a golf cart on any town street except as specifically authorized by this subchapter. Any person who operates a golf cart in violation of the regulations set forth in this subchapter shall be subject to penalty as provided under this subchapter.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009) Penalty, see § 73.99

§ 73.52 REQUIREMENT OF LOCAL REGISTRATION.

Any golf cart to be operated on a town street shall be registered annually at the Police Department of the town. The annual permit will be valid from January 1 until December 31 of the current year. Each registrant shall provide the Vehicle Identification Number and proof of financial responsibility with respect to each golf cart to be registered and shall pay a registration fee for each golf cart to be registered as set forth in the Fee Schedule, Chapter 98. The registration certificate shall be displayed on the golf cart on the left rear corner of vehicle so it is clearly visible at all times that it is in operation. Each golf cart shall be subject to inspection for compliance with this subchapter at the time of

registration. A single-use or temporary permit may be purchased for a specific period of time, not to exceed 5 consecutive days, for a registration fee as set forth in the Fee Schedule, Chapter 98.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009) Penalty, see § 73.99

§ 73.53 REQUIREMENT OF DRIVER'S LICENSE.

The operator of a golf cart on a town street must have a valid driver's license and must have the driver's license in his or her possession while operating a golf cart .

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.54 REQUIREMENT OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

No person may operate a golf cart on any town street unless financial responsibility is in effect with respect to the golf cart as provided under I.C. 9-25-4-4 (as it now reads or may be amended in the future).

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.55 TIME OF OPERATION AND NIGHTTIME RESTRICTIONS.

No golf carts shall be operated on any town street between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise unless the golf cart is equipped with 2 head lamps, 2 tail lamps, front and rear turn lamps, and rear brake lamps, all of which must be visible from a distance of at least 500 feet.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.56 SLOW MOVING VEHICLE REFLECTIVE SIGN.

No golf cart shall be operated on a town street unless the golf cart is equipped with a reflective slow moving vehicle sign of the same type and right and left exterior mirrors, or interior mirrors required under state law.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.57 PLACE OF OPERATION.

No golf cart shall be operated on or at the following:

(A) Any town street or any portion of any town street where the speed limit in effect at the place of operation is greater than 30 miles per hour;

(B) Any town street designated as a state highway, except to cross any state highway by traveling on a town street perpendicular to the state highway at a location where the town street intersects with the state highway; and

(C) Any sidewalk, trail, pedestrian bridge, or greenway path, not specifically designated for use by a motor vehicle or golf cart.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.58 TRAFFIC LAWS AND ORDINANCES.

The operator of a golf cart on a town street shall comply with all traffic laws and rules adopted by the state and/or the town, including restrictions and prohibitions as set forth within this town code.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.59 OCCUPANTS.

The number of occupants of a golf cart shall be limited to 4 persons. The operator and occupants shall be properly seated at all times and no part of the body of the operator or occupants shall extend outside the perimeter of the golf cart while the golf cart is in operation; provided, the operator shall use proper traffic hand signals when required. No one under the age of 2 years shall be permitted to be an occupant of a golf cart .

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.60 TOWING.

No golf cart shall be used to tow any type of trailer or other vehicle of any type.

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.61 FINES.

(A) Any fines collected under this subchapter shall be deposited into the General Fund of the town.

(B) The Town Council of the Town of New Carlisle shall have the authority to specifically permit the use of golf carts by identified persons at other special events; provided, however, that the operator of the golf cart must still be a licensed driver and financial responsibility must be in effect with respect to the golf cart .

(Ord. 1218, passed 10-27-2009)

§ 73.99 PENALTY.

(A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no specific penalty is prescribed shall be subject to § 10.99(A).

(B) Any person violating the provision of § 73.01 shall be fined as set forth in the Fee Schedule, Chapter 98.

(1992 Code, § 6-21)

(C) Any person violating any provision of §§ 73.15, 73.26 through 73.29, 73.34, and/or 73.35 shall be ticketed and fined as set forth in the Fee Schedule, Chapter 98.

(1992 Code, § 6-87)

(D) (1) Any person in violation of the provisions of §§ 73.50 through 73.61 shall be fined as set forth in the Fee Schedule, Chapter 98.

(2) Each day a violation of §§ 73.50 through 73.61 is permitted or suffered to continue shall institute a separate and distinct violation.

(3) If 2 or more violations occur within the same calendar year, the registration, whether annual, daily, or for an event, shall be suspended and the owner or operator of the golf cart shall not be eligible for another registration for the balance of the year.

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