

72.01 GOLF CARTS AND ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES USED ON DESIGNATED ROADWAYS.

(A) *Definitions.* For the purpose of this code of ordinances, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

MOTORIZED GOLF CART and ***FOUR-WHEEL ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE***. As construed or defined in M.S. § 169.045 Subd. 1.

(B) *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. As part of issuing a permit, the city shall issue the permit holder a decal that must be placed on the vehicle for which the permit is issued.

(C) *Form of permit application.* Permit applications shall require that the applicant: either (1) currently hold a valid driver's license; or (2) 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.

(D) *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.

(E) *Insurance.* The operator of a motorized golf cart or four-wheel all-terrain vehicle shall maintain liability insurance in compliance with M.S. § 65B.48 Subd. 5 or M.S. § 169.045 Subd. 8.

(F) *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 all-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.

(G) *Times of operations.* 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.

(H) *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 state M.S. Chapter 169, except when those provisions cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts or four-wheel all-terrain vehicles.

(I) *Rear view mirror and turn signals.* 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. All ATVs must also have front and rear turn signal lamps.

(J) *Slow-moving vehicle emblem.* Motorized golf carts shall display the slow-moving vehicle emblem provided for in M.S. § 169.522, when operated on designated roadways.

(K) *Noise.* No person shall operate a golf cart or four-wheel all-terrain vehicle in a manner so as to create a loud, unnecessary, or unusual noise which disturbs, annoys, or interferes with the peace and quiet of other persons.

(L) *Penalty.* Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

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