

Golf Carts / All-Terrain Vehicles on Public Streets

Definitions:

For the purpose of this chapter,

Golf Cart – means a vehicle specifically designed and intended for the purpose of transporting one or more persons and their golf clubs or maintenance equipment while engaged in the playing of golf, supervising the play of golf or maintaining the condition of the grounds of a public or private golf course (Ord 604, 5-29-2001)

All-Terrain Vehicle – means any motorized off highway device designed to travel primarily off highway. Fifty inches (50”) or less in width, having a manufacturer’s dry weight of nine hundred (900) pounds or less, traveling on three (3) or more low pressure tires, designed with a seat or saddle for operator use, and handlebars or steering wheel for steering control, except equipment such as lawn mowers (Ord 803, 3-12-2012)

Limitations on Operation:

Subject to the limitations set forth in this chapter,

Golf Cart – any person with a valid driver’s license may operate a golf cart on any street or highway under the jurisdiction of the City.

All-Terrain Vehicle – any person with a valid driver’s license may operate an all-terrain vehicle in the city of Marquette Heights

This section shall not be construed as granting permission for any person operating a golf cart/all-terrain vehicle to drive upon or cross any street or highway under the jurisdiction of Groveland or Pekin Townships or Tazewell County, or to drive upon or cross any street or highway under the jurisdiction of the Illinois Department of Transportation including, without limitation, Illinois Route 20 (Ord 604, 5-29-2001 & Ord 803, 3-12-2012)

Safety Equipment

No golf cart/all-terrain vehicle may be operated on a street or highway under the jurisdiction of the City unless, at a minimum, it has the following safety equipment:

- A. Brakes
- B. Steering Apparatus
- C. Tires
- D. Rearview Mirror
- E. Seatbelts, if applicable
- F. Red, Reflectorized Warning devices on the rear

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- G. A slow moving emblem (as required of other vehicles in 625 Illinois Compiled Statutes 12-709) on the rear of the golf cart
- H. A headlight that emits a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet (550') to the front
- I. A taillamp that emits a red light visible of at least one hundred feet (100') from the rear
- J. Brake Lights
- K. Turn Signals (Ord 604. 5-29-2001 & Ord 803. 3-12-2012)

Regulations Specifically Applicable to Golf Carts/All-Terrain Vehicles:

When on the street or highway under the jurisdiction of the City, a golf cart/all-terrain vehicle shall be operated in accordance with the following regulations:

- A. The golf cart/all-terrain vehicle shall have its headlights and taillights lighted at all a times.
- B. Any person operating the golf cart/all-terrain vehicle as authorized in this chapter shall travel on the street or highway as the same direction as traffic and as near to the right side of the roadway as possible.
- C. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any person operating a golf cart/all-terrain vehicle on streets or highways under jurisdiction of the City shall obey any and all traffic regulations set forth either in this code or in the Illinois Vehicle Code
- D. The golf cart/all-terrain vehicle and driver shall be covered with automobile insurance to the extent required by state law or by comprehensive liability insurance with a combined single limit of two hundred fifty thousand dollars 9\$250,000.00). (Ord 604, 5-29-2001)
- E. When operating on the streets or highways under the jurisdiction of the City of Marquette Heights, the operator of the golf cart/all-terrain vehicle shall be limited to those streets or highways with a speed limit of posted speed limit miles per hour or less
- F. A yearly permit shall be issued for operation of a golf cart/all-terrain vehicle for use on any street or highway in the City of Marquette Heights for a fee of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) and such permit must be prominently displayed on the golf card/all-terrain vehicle when in use on any street or highway in the City (Ord. 803, 3-12-2012)