

ARTICLE X – GOLF CARTS AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLES

24-10-1 **GENERALLY.** Golf carts and utility terrain vehicles, as defined and qualified herein, shall be allowed on City streets under the conditions as stated herein.

24-10-2 **DEFINITIONS.**

(A) **Golf Cart** shall mean a self-propelled, electronically powered or self-propelled gasoline powered four-wheeled motor vehicle, with bench or bucket seats, which is capable of attaining in **one (1) mile** a speed of more than **twenty miles per hour (20 MPH)**, but not more than **twenty-five miles per hour (25 MPH)**, and is steered and maneuvered with a steering wheel.

(B) **Utility Terrain Vehicle** shall mean a self-propelled, electronically powered, four-wheeled motor vehicle or a self-propelled gasoline powered four-wheeled vehicle with bench or bucket seats, an engine displacement under **one thousand two hundred (1,200) cubic centimeters** which is capable of attaining in **one (1) mile** a speed of more than **twenty miles per hour (20 MPH)** but not more than **twenty-five miles per hour (25 MPH)**, and is steered and maneuvered with a steering wheel.

(C) **City Streets** means any of the streets within the boundaries of the City.

24-10-3 **REQUIREMENTS.** All persons wishing to operate a golf cart or utility-terrain vehicle on the City streets must comply with each of the following requirements:

(A) Liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$15,000/50,000/25,000.

(B) Possess a permit from the City for the vehicle. To obtain such permit, operator must comply with licensing requirements by filling out an application, paying an application fee, and bringing the golf cart or utility terrain vehicle to City Hall for inspection by the Chief of Police or his designee.

(C) Must comply with the Rules Concerning Golf Cart and Utility Terrain Vehicles contained in **Section 24-10-4.**

(D) Must display the City decal on the rear of the vehicle.

(E) Cannot transfer decals between vehicles.

(F) Must have a valid driver's license.

(G) Must be **sixteen (16) years** of age. (**Ord. No. 12-591; 06-12-12**)

24-10-4 **RULES CONCERNING GOLF CARTS AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLES.**

(A) Must obey all traffic laws of the State of Illinois and the City.

(B) Must be operated only on streets of the City, except where prohibited.

(C) May not be operated on Highway 108 or Highway 67.

(D) May only be operated on streets and roadways that have a posted speed limit of **thirty-five (35) miles per hour** or less.

(E) May only be operated between the legal sunrise and sunset.

(F) A person operating or in control of a golf cart or utility terrain vehicle as described herein on a roadway while under the influence shall be subject to Section 11-500

through 11-502 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes (**625 ILCS 5/11-500, et al. Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Other Intoxicating Compounds.**)

(G) Golf carts and utility terrain vehicles shall not be operated on sidewalks or in City parks other than in parking areas.

(H) Golf carts and utility terrain vehicles may not be operated on streets, highways and roads under the jurisdiction of the Illinois Department of Transportation. (Highway 67 and Highway 108).

(I) All operators of golf carts and utility terrain vehicles must adhere to child restraint laws pursuant to Illinois State Statutes.

(J) Any operator or passenger of a golf cart or utility terrain vehicle, while in motion, must be seated and wearing a seatbelt.

(K) A person is NOT eligible to obtain a license for a golf cart or utility terrain vehicle unless they have a valid driver's license issued by a US state.

(L) A person may not operate a golf cart or utility terrain vehicle on a highway, as enumerated in paragraph (C) or paragraph (H). An operator may only directly crossing the said highways at an intersection where there is a stop sign across such highway.

(M) An insurance card showing minimum coverage required by the Ordinance shall be kept in the vehicle.

(N) Each golf cart and utility terrain vehicle must be equipped with brakes, tires, headlamps, front and rear turn signal lamps, tail lamps, stop lamps, reflex reflectors, exterior mirrors, solid, one-piece windshield, parking brake and seat belts.

24-10-5 PERMITS. (See Appendix A)

(A) No person shall operate a qualified golf cart or utility terrain vehicle without first obtaining a permit from the City from the City Clerk as provided herein. Permits shall be granted for a period of **one (1) year** and renewed annually. The cost of the permit is **Thirty-Five Dollars (\$35.00)**. Insurance coverage is to be verified by the Police Department and in effect when obtaining or renewing a permit.

(B) Every application for a permit shall be made on a form supplied by the City and shall contain the following information:

- (1) Name and address of applicant.
- (2) Name of liability insurance carrier.
- (3) The serial number, make, model and description of golf cart or utility terrain vehicle.
- (4) Signed waiver of liability by applicant releasing the City and agreeing to indemnify and hold the City harmless from any and all future claims resulting from the operation of their golf carts or utility terrain vehicles. **(Appendix B)**
- (5) Photocopy of applicable liability insurance coverage card specifically for the vehicle to be operated pursuant to the permit.
- (6) Photocopy of the operator's current driver's license.
- (7) Such other information as the City may require.

(C) No permit shall be granted unless the following conditions are met:

- (1) The vehicle must be inspected by the Chief of Police or his designee to insure that the vehicle is safe to operate on City streets and is in compliance with this Article.

- (2) The applicant must provide evidence of insurance in compliance with the provisions of the Illinois Statutes regarding minimum liability insurance for passenger motor vehicles to be operated on the roads of the State of Illinois.

(D) The City may suspend or revoke a permit granted hereunder upon a finding that the holder thereof has violated any provision of this Article or there is evidence that permittee cannot safely operate a qualified golf cart or utility terrain vehicle on the designated roadways. Notice of suspension of permit shall be sent to the address stated on the application for permit and shall serve as valid notice of the suspension. Notice may also be personally served by members of the Carrollton Police Department.

APPENDIX A

GOLF CART AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE PERMIT

A golf cart and utility terrain vehicle permit authorizes the operation of a golf cart or utility terrain vehicle on street owned and under the control of the City of Carrollton.

The City of Carrollton is not responsible for any future claims resulting from the operation of a golf cart or utility terrain vehicle on City streets.

It is the responsibility for the vehicle owner to know what roads are designated as permissible for the operation of golf carts and utility terrain vehicles. They may not be operated on Highway 67 or Highway 108.

The owner of the vehicle must provide proof of liability insurance at the time of application and keep such proof in the vehicle.

The vehicle owner must be at least **eighteen (18) years** of age and have a current, valid driver's license issued by one of the fifty states.

The City permit sticker must be displayed on the rear of the vehicle.

All traffic laws must be obeyed and the vehicle may only be operated between the legal hours of sunrise and sunset.

Each golf cart and utility terrain vehicle must be equipped with brakes, tires, headlamps, front and rear turn signal lamps, tail lamps, stop lamps, reflex reflectors, exterior mirrors, solid, one-piece windshield, parking brake and seat belts.

The cost of the permit is \$35.00 which must be renewed annually and is not transferable to another golf cart or utility terrain vehicle.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

I, _____, agree to indemnify and hold the City of Carrollton harmless for any and all future claims resulting from the operation of a neighborhood or utility terrain vehicle on the City streets as specified in Ordinance Number 10-577.

Dated _____

Signature of Applicant

Witness

**GOLF CART AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE
INSPECTION**

Date _____

Year _____

Make _____

Model _____

Body Type _____

VIN # _____

This golf cart/utility terrain vehicle complies with the guidelines and requirements specified in Ordinance #10-577.

Brakes

Tires

Insurance Card

Headlamps

Rear Turn Signals

Tail Lamps

Stop Lamps

Reflex Reflectors

Exterior Mirrors

Parking Brake

Sold One-Piece Windshield

Bench/Bucket Seats &
Seat Belts

Inspected by _____