

CHAPTER 77
GOLF CARTS

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77.01 PURPOSE. The purpose of this chapter is to permit the operation of golf carts on streets in the City as authorized by Section 321.247 of the *Code of Iowa*. This chapter applies whenever a golf cart is operated on any street or alley.

77.02 OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS PERMITTED. Golf carts may be operated upon the streets of the City by persons possessing a valid driver's license and a City permit.

77.03 PROHIBITED STREETS. Golf carts shall not be operated upon any City street which is a primary road extension through the City (Highway #175). However, golf carts may cross such a primary road extension. Anyone who resides on the prohibited street may operate a golf cart on such prohibited street, but only to get to the nearest street upon which golf carts are permitted. Golf carts shall not be operated in or on any park, playground, sidewalk, or any publicly owned property except with the permission of the governing body thereof.

77.04 EQUIPMENT. Golf carts operated upon City streets shall be equipped with a slow moving vehicle sign and a bicycle safety flag at all times during operation and shall be equipped with adequate brakes. Golf carts shall be equipped with a rearview mirror to provide the driver with adequate vision from behind. No golf cart shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

77.05 HOURS. Golf carts may be operated on City streets only between sunrise and sunset. They shall not be operated when visibility is such that there is insufficient light to clearly see person and vehicles at a distance of 500 feet.

77.06 CITY PERMIT REQUIRED. No person shall operate a golf cart on any City street without first obtaining a permit from the City.

1. An application for a permit shall be made on a form supplied by the City and shall contain the name and address of applicant, and the make, model, year, and serial number of the golf cart. The applicant shall also provide proof of a valid driver's license.
2. The applicant shall provide proof of, and maintain, public liability insurance and bodily injury insurance in the amount required by the *Code of Iowa*.
3. The annual fee for a permit is \$30.00 and is payable at the time the permit is granted. Permits shall be valid from January 1 through December 31. Permits may be issued at any time during the year but will be valid only through December 31.
4. All permits shall be issued for a specific motorized golf cart and individual, except as otherwise stated. Permit holders will be issued a number and shall affix 3-inch minimum reflective numbers to the left side of the golf cart near the front.

5. A permit may be suspended or revoked upon finding evidence that the permit holder has violated the conditions of the permit or has abused the privilege of being a permit holder. There will be no refund of the license fee.

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