

GOLF CART, NEIGHBORHOOD VEHICLE, AND ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE REGULATIONS

SECTION 71.20 DEFINITIONS: The following words shall have the following definitions for the Village Code of the Village of Danvers:

- A. "Golf Cart" is a vehicle specifically designed and intended for purposes of transporting one or more persons and their golf clubs or maintenance equipment while engaged in playing golf, supervising the play of golf, or maintaining of the grounds on a public or private golf course. (625 ILCS 5/1-123(9))

"Neighborhood Vehicle" is a self-propelled, electronic-powered, four wheeled motor vehicle (or a self-propelled, gasoline-powered, four-wheeled with an engine displacement under 1,200 cubic centimeters) that is capable of attaining in one mile a speed of more than 20 miles per hour, but not more than 25 miles per hour, and which conforms to federal regulations under Title 49 C.F.R. Part 571.500. (625 ILCS 5/1-148 (3)(m))

- B. "All-Terrain Vehicle" is a motorized off-highway device designed to travel primarily off-highway, 50 inches or less in width, having a manufacturer's dry weight of 900 pounds or less, traveling on 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 lawnmowers. (625 ILCS 5/1-101.8)
- C. Off-highway Motorcycle" is a motorized device designed to travel primarily off-highway on 2 wheels, having a seat or saddle for the use of the operator, upon or by which any person, persons or property may be transported or drawn. (625 ILCS 5/1-153.1)

SECTION 71.21 RESTRICTIONS ON VEHICLES: No golf carts or neighborhood vehicles may be operated on the Village streets of the Village of Danvers except as provided for herein and except in accordance with Illinois law. Under no circumstances may an off-highway motorcycle or an all-terrain vehicle be operated on the Village streets of the Village of Danvers. Further, no golf carts or neighborhood vehicles may be operated on **any portion of West Street except between Columbia and Exchange St., any portion of North Street**, or on the 200 block of North Jefferson Street, but may cross West Street, North Street, or the 200 block of North Jefferson Street. No golf carts or neighborhood vehicles may be operated on any County highway but may cross a county highway. The owner and operator, jointly and severally, of any golf carts, neighborhood vehicles, all-terrain vehicles or off-highway motorcycles that are operated on the streets of the Village in violation of this Article of the Village Code of the Village of Danvers may be fined as provided for in Section 10.99. In addition, operation of any of the foregoing vehicles on Village streets in violation of this Ordinance is a violation of Illinois law and subject to prosecution by the States Attorney.

SECTION 71.22 OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS: Golf carts or neighborhood vehicles may only be operated on the streets of the Village by a driver at least 21 years of age, who possesses a valid driver's license and any such vehicle operated on the Village streets must be covered by the minimum liability insurance that the State of Illinois requires of all passenger vehicles. Proof of insurance must be furnished to the Village Police Department upon request.

SECTION 71.23 EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENT: All golf carts or neighborhood vehicles that are operated on the Village streets must, at a minimum, have the following; brakes, a steering apparatus, tires, a rearview mirror, red reflectorized warning devices in the front and rear, a slow moving emblem on the rear of the golf cart, a headlight that emits a white light visible from a distance of 500 feet to that front, a tail lamp that emits a red light visible from at least 100 feet from the rear, brake lights, and turn signals.

SECTION 71.24 OPERATION RESTRICTIONS: Any golf carts or neighborhood vehicles operated on the Village streets may not travel a speed in excess of 25 miles per hour. Any golf carts or neighborhood vehicles operated on the Village streets shall obey all traffic laws of the State of Illinois. Operation of golf carts or neighborhood vehicles on the Village streets by a person who is under the influence of alcohol may be prosecuted for driving while under the influence of alcohol as provided by Illinois law. No golf carts or neighborhood vehicle

may ne operated with a greater number of passengers than the number of approved seats for that golf cart or neighborhood vehicle, as specified in the Village registration form.

SECTION 71.25 REGISTRATION: Any person that operates golf carts or neighborhood vehicles on the Village streets shall first register the vehicle prior to operation of the vehicle on Village streets and shall pay an annual registration fee which shall be set by the Village Board. No golf carts or neighborhood vehicles may be operated in the Village of Danvers unless it is annually registered with the Village. Proof of liability insurance shall be presented upon registration. The golf cart or neighborhood vehicle shall be subject to an equipment inspection. No registration shall be issued unless the golf cart or neighborhood vehicle is in compliance with all requirements of this Section, including but not limited to the equipment requirements contained in Section 71.23. The registration issued by the Village for a golf cart or neighborhood vehicle shall be effective for the Village fiscal year during which the registration is issued regardless of when the registration is issued during that fiscal year. The registration issued by the Village shall expire at the end of the Village fiscal year in which the registration is issued.

SECTION 71.99 PENALTY.

Violation of this Chapter shall be subject to the general penalty provision, Section 10.99, of this Municipal Code. Each day a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.

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