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GOLF CART REGULATIONS

It is unlawful to operate a golf cart on a public street within the Town unless the following requirements are met:

- ✓ All golf cart owners must complete a golf cart registration form and pay required fees.
- ✓ All golf carts must pass an inspection by the Richlands Police Department.
- ✓ Owner must provide valid Drivers License and in no case be under 16 years of age.
- ✓ Owner must provide proof of liability insurance. No cart shall be operated on any public street within the town without liability insurance.
- ✓ A golf cart must display a valid Town issued golf cart registration decal on the vehicle at all times.
- ✓ All persons who operate golf carts do so at their own risk and must be observant of and attentive to the safety of themselves and others.
- ✓ The Town has no liability under any theory of liability and the Town assumes no liability for permitting golf carts to be operated on public streets.
- ✓ A golf cart may be operated on public streets or roads within the corporate limits of the town whose posted speed limit is 35 mph or less.
- ✓ NO person may operate a golf cart on Highway 258.
- ✓ NO golf cart shall exceed speeds of 20 mph.
- ✓ Registration period is from July 1 thru June 30 of each year. Registration fees will not be prorated due to date of issuance.
- ✓ All golf carts shall have two red reflectors of a diameter of not less than three inches and located on the cart on the rear as to height. Each reflector must be visible for at least 500 feet.
- ✓ "SLOW-MOVING VEHICLE" warning sign must be attached to the rear of cart.
- ✓ Rear view mirror or two side mirrors (one on each side) must be mounted on the cart.
- ✓ Golf carts can only operate on public streets during daylight hours, from sunrise to sunset.
- ✓ Golf cart drivers shall stay on the far right of the road and shall yield the right-of-way to overtaking vehicles.
- ✓ The maximum occupancy of a cart traveling on public streets shall be one person per seat. Persons may not ride in or on areas not designed as a seat.
- ✓ Golf carts shall operate in accordance with all applicable state and local laws.
- ✓ Golf carts will be subject to the same right-of-way, maneuvering, and operating guidelines as that apply to standard vehicles.
- ✓ All applicable state laws concerning possession and use of ALCOHOLIC beverages or any other intoxicating substances shall also apply to golf cart drivers and passengers.
- ✓ In the absence of mechanical turn signals, the cart driver is required to use appropriate hand signals.

- ✓ Golf carts may NOT operate on public streets during inclement weather unless the cart is equipped with a windshield, operating windshield wipers and head lights and rear lights.

This is a summary of the rules and regulations for the operation of a Golf Cart on the streets/roads within the Town of Richlands. Additional information regarding the regulations for operating a golf cart on Town streets along with violation penalties is in the copy of the Town of Richlands Ordinance 2010-07 which you received along with your registration package.

Section 6-2-81 of Golf Cart Ordinance 2010-07

Liability Disclaimer

This subchapter is adopted to address the interest of public safety. Most golf carts are not designed or manufactured to be used on public streets. The town in no way advocates or endorses their operation on public streets. By establishing guidelines that regulate the use of golf carts, the town is merely trying to address safety issues that may be pertinent to golf cart usage. The adoption of this subchapter is not to be relied upon as a determination that operation of golf carts on public streets is safe or advisable, even if done in accordance with this subchapter. As with any other form of transportation, all persons who operate golf carts or any other vehicle do so at their own risk and peril and must be observant of and attentive to the safety of themselves and others. The town has no liability under any theory of liability and the town assumes no liability for permitting golf carts to be operated on public streets.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I have read and understand the above requirements and acknowledge receipt of the “Town of Richlands Ordinance 2010-07 Regulating the Operation of Golf Carts on Public Streets in Richlands”. I will strictly adhere to the rules, regulations and restrictions set forth in the Town Ordinance regulating the operation of golf carts.

Signature of Owner

Date