

UPDATED ORDINANCE
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CHAPTER 74: GOLF CART

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

The Village of Pepin Board of Trustees do ordain as follows:

Golf Cart Ordinance:

74.01 Purpose:

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish routes and operation of Golf Carts within the Village limits.

74.02 Definition:

A Golf Cart is defined as a motorized vehicle with four (4) wheels that is not designed to be operated at a speed of more than twenty-five (25) miles per hour. Said Golf Cart is generally designed to carry four (4) persons including the driver.

74.03 Standard Equipment Regulations:

- a) Each Golf Cart shall be equipped with the following before operating on any street within the Village:
 - 1. Brakes
 - 2. Headlights
 - 3. Taillights
 - 4. Rear View Mirror
 - 5. Slow Moving Vehicle Sign
 - 6. Safety Flag on a staff holder to put such flag at least eight (8) feet above the road surface.

74.04 Proof of Liability Insurance:

As part of the permit process, the owner of the Golf Cart must provide a Certificate of insurance listing Company, policy term and minimum limits of liability of \$100,000 per person, \$300,000 per accident and \$5,000 medical before a permit will be issued.

74.05 Operation Regulations:

- a) Each operator of a Golf Cart shall comply with the following:
 1. Each operator of a Golf Cart must have a valid Driver's License
 2. Operator shall display the Village of Pepin permit sticker(s) prominently on the left front and left rear fenders.
 3. All riders must remain seated when Golf Cart is in motion
 4. Number of occupants shall comply with seat belt regulations if said Golf Cart was originally equipped with seat belts.
 5. Golf Carts may be operated on Village streets between ½ hour (30 minutes) after sunrise and ½ hour (30 minutes) prior to sunset.
 6. Golf Carts may not be operated on Village streets during inclement weather such as rain, snow, fog or when visibility may be 500 feet or less.
 7. No Golf Cart shall exceed the posted speed limit.
 8. Golf Carts shall operate in single file on the far right side of the roadway.
 9. No item can be towed by a Golf Cart.
 10. No operator/person shall leave or allow any Golf Cart owned or operated by him/her to remain unattended on any public street, highway or public property while the motor is running or with starting key left in the ignition.
 11. Each Golf Cart shall be operated in compliance with the Village Motor Vehicle Conduct Ordinance.
 12. Ordinance with penalties as provided in Village Ordinances 10.99.

74.06 Street Access:

Golf Carts may be operated on all Village streets **EXCEPT:**

1. State Highway 35

74.07 Permits:

- a) The permit, notwithstanding the date of purchase, shall be valid during the calendar year of purchase. Unless previously revoked within the one-year period, permits may be issued by the Village Clerk to owners upon:
 1. Completion of an application form; and,
 2. **Effective May 1, 2021, a payment of a permit fee of \$50.00.**
 3. Proof of a valid Driver's License; and
 4. Proof of insurance.
 5. Owners may request a permit by mail upon submitting a completed application form, Certificate of Insurance, proof of a valid Driver's License, and a permit fee of **\$50.00** (per vehicle) to the Village of Pepin. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

The Village Chief of Police may grant an exception to the Ordinance and allow any type of Golf Cart to be used on any Village street by community and/or civic organizations for community events. Said exemption shall be in writing.

74.08 Penalties:

a) Violation of this Ordinance or the Wisconsin traffic laws is punishable by any or all of the following:

1. Loss of operator's permit for a period of one (1) year
2. As provided in Village Ordinances 10.99 and/or as provided in Wisconsin Statutes.

Effective Date: This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Village of Pepin Board of Trustees this 8th day of April, 2019.

Adopted this 8 day of April, 2019.


William Wroblewski, Village President

Attest: 
Cindy Fayerweather, Clerk/Treasurer