



Golf Cart & Alternative Transportation Rules

Reminders for Permitted Operators on Village Streets

Permit Basics

- **Permit required** to operate on Village streets — \$25 annual fee
- **Permit period:** June 1 – May 31; must be renewed every year
- Renewal requires an **equipment inspection** and **proof of insurance**
- Permit must be **displayed on the front and rear** of the vehicle

Who May Operate

- Must hold a **valid driver's license**
- Must be **18 years of age or older**
- Proof of **liability insurance** meeting Illinois minimums is required
- Children under **8 years old** must be in an approved child restraint system

Where You Can — and Can't — Drive

- Vehicles **cannot exceed posted speed limits**
- **No operation on sidewalks or in Village parks**, other than park parking lots
- **Not permitted on state or county highways** (IDOT or Grundy County Highway Dept.) except to cross
- **Towing or pulling** anything with a chain or rope is **prohibited**
- Operators have the same rights & duties as any other vehicle driver under Illinois traffic law

Required Safety Equipment (Checked at Inspection)

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| ☐ Horn | ☐ Brakes | ☐ Turn signals | ☐ Tires |
| ☐ Steering wheel | ☐ Rearview mirror | ☐ Reflectors (front) | ☐ Reflectors (rear) |
| ☐ Headlight | ☐ Tail lights | ☐ Brake lights | ☐ Slow-moving emblem |
| ☐ Seat belts | | | |

Good to Know

DUI laws apply the same as any motor vehicle (625 ILCS 5/11-500 – 11-502). Modifying your vehicle after inspection? Notify Village Hall and return for a re-inspection. **Violations are a petty offense — a \$75 fine and possible permit revocation.**

Questions or ready to apply/renew? Village Hall is here to help.

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