

70.027 MOTORIZED GOLF CART PERMITS.

(A) For the purpose of this section, and section 70.028, the term *MOTORIZED GOLF CART* shall mean any passenger conveyance commonly recognized as a golf cart, with 4 wheels, 4 low pressure tires, and that is powered by electricity or a gas engine with an engine displacement of less than 800 cubic centimeters and total dry weight less than 800 pounds.

(1) No person shall operate a motorized golf cart on streets, alleys, sidewalks or other public property in the City of Olivia without obtaining a permit for the golf cart as provided herein.

(2) Every application for a golf cart permit shall be made on a form supplied by the city and shall contain the following information:

- (a) The name and address of the applicant and owner of the golf cart;
- (b) The nature of the applicant's physical handicap, if any;
- (c) Model name, make, and year and number of the motorized golf cart;
- (d) Other information as the city may require.

(3) The annual permit fee shall be in an amount set by Council from time to time. (See Appendix A).

(4) Permits are for the golf cart. Permits shall be granted for a period not to exceed 1 year. All golf cart permits shall expire on December 31 of the year issued, and may be renewed annually, beginning January 1 of each year.

(5) No permit shall be granted or renewed unless the following conditions are met:

(a) The applicant must demonstrate that he or she currently has valid driving privileges within the State of Minnesota;

(b) The applicant may be required to submit a certificate signed by a physician that the applicant is able to safely operate a motorized golf cart on the roadways designated;

(c) The applicant must provide evidence of liability insurance in compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes concerning insurance coverage for the golf cart, and agree to provide updated insurance information to the City, if any;

(d) The applicant has not had his or her driver's license revoked as the result of criminal proceedings.

(6) Motorized golf carts shall display the permit stickers issued by the City.

(7) City Council may suspend or revoke a permit granted hereunder upon a finding that the holder thereof has violated any of the provisions of this section or Minn. Stat. Ch. 169, as it may be amended from time to time, or if there is evidence that the permit holder cannot safely operate the motorized golf cart on the designated roadways.

Penalty, see ' 10.99

' 70.028 MOTORIZED GOLF CART OPERATION

(A) (1) Motorized golf carts may only be operated on city streets and alleys, not on state or federal highways, except to cross at regular intersections.

(2) Motorized golf carts may only be operated from sunrise to sunset. They shall not be operated in inclement weather conditions or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons and vehicles on the roadway at a distance of 500 feet.

(3) Motorized golf carts shall display the slow-moving vehicle emblem provided for in Minn. Stat. section 169.522, as it may be amended from time to time, when operated on designated roadways.

(4) Motorized golf carts shall be equipped with a wing-style rear view mirror, if originally equipped, to provide the driver with adequate vision from behind.

(5) Every person operating a motorized golf cart under permit on designated roadways has all the rights and duties applicable to the driver of any other vehicle under the provisions of Minn. Stat. Ch. 169, as it may be amended from time to time, except when these provisions cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts.

(6) The number of occupants in the golf cart may not exceed the design occupant load.

(B) (1) No person shall operate a golf cart without driving privileges that are valid within the State of Minnesota.

(2) The owner of the golf cart shall become familiar with the status of the driving privileges of any person that he or she intends to allow to operate his or her golf cart, prior to such operation.

(3) It shall be unlawful for the owner of a golf cart to operate or allow to be operated, a golf cart contrary to this Code or governing State law.

(C) The owner of the golf cart may not be prosecuted and punished under section (B)(2) or (3) if:

(1) The golf cart was reported as stolen to the appropriate law enforcement agency at the time the alleged unlawful conduct occurred;

(2) The golf cart owner demonstrates that the golf cart either was stolen or was not in use at the time of the alleged unlawful conduct; or

(3) The golf cart owner furnishes to law enforcement officers, upon request, the identity of the person in actual physical control of the golf cart at the time of such unlawful conduct.

(4) The prosecution of the owner of a golf cart under this section shall not operate to limit or bar the prosecution of the golf cart operator for violations of this ordinance or applicable Minnesota statutes.

Penalty, see ' 10.99