

ORDINANCE #2012-06

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF GOLF CARTS AS CHAPTER 7.09 OF THE MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF VIBORG

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIBORG, SOUTH DAKOTA THAT A NEW CHAPTER 7.09 SHALL BE ADOPTED TO REGULATE THE USE OF GOLF CARTS WITHIN THE CITY AS FOLLOWS:

CHAPTER 7.09 – GOLF CARTS

7.0901 Definitions.

- A. "Operator" shall mean any person who operates or is in physical control of a golf cart.
- B. "Owner" shall mean any person having legal title or the ownership to a golf cart or who is entitled to its use or possession thereof.
- C. "Golf cart" shall mean a three or four wheeled vehicle, whether powered by electric or combustion engine, originally and specifically designed and intended to transport one or more individuals and golf clubs for the purpose of playing the game of golf on a golf course.

7.0902 Golf Cart Operation. Golf carts shall not be allowed to operate within the City except as authorized by state statute or by this section. Golf carts properly registered pursuant to this chapter shall be allowed to travel on the roadway portion of public streets, alleys and other roadways within the City except those highways where golf carts are prohibited by State Statute. An operator of a golf cart shall comply with all City and State traffic regulations applying to vehicles generally, and except that a golf cart shall not be required to have a bell, horn or directional turn signals.

7.0903 Registration. It shall be unlawful to operate a golf cart within the City unless the same is registered in the City of Viborg. The City shall, upon proper application, issue a permit that shall be displayed on the back area of the golf cart. Registration shall be renewed annually. The initial registration fee and renewal fee shall be set by resolution of the Viborg City Council. If ownership of the golf cart changes, it must be re-registered in the name of the new owner within thirty (30) days of obtaining ownership.

7.0904 Additional Provisions.

- A. The golf cart must be insured.
- B. The operator of the golf cart must have a valid driver's license.

C. The golf cart must be registered and have a permit from the City of Viborg to operate said vehicle on municipal streets pursuant to Section 7.0903 and the permit must be displayed on the back area of said vehicle.

D. No person may operate a golf cart on State or County highways except for crossing from one side to the other. A golf cart may cross the highway at a right angle, but only after stopping and yielding the right-of-way to all approaching traffic and crossing as closely as possible to an intersection or approach. The operator of the golf cart is required to obey all traffic laws of the State and ordinances of the City, including street and road signs the same as the operator of all other motorized vehicles.

E. No person shall operate a golf cart within the City limits one half hour before sunset to one half hour after sunrise unless said vehicle has at least one working headlight and taillight on said vehicle.

F. The operator of said vehicle and all occupants must be seated at all times. There cannot be more people in or on said vehicle than the vehicle seating capacity.

G. Failure to abide by this ordinance shall be deemed a Class 2 misdemeanor.

Kyle Christensen
Mayor

Attest Lori L. Ronke
Finance Officer

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