

**GOLF CART ORDINANCE**  
**CITY OF ODUM**  
**P.O. Box 159**  
**Odum, Georgia 31555**

**DEFINITIONS:**

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Driver is defined as the person driving and having physical control over the motorized cart.

Motorized carts are defined as those electric and gasoline powered carts, commonly referred to as golf carts or utility vehicles (excludes four-wheelers and similar type of vehicles). They are designed for low speed operation. These are the only carts authorized for use under this section.

**OPERATION REGULATIONS:**

- (A) Those persons who hold a valid motor vehicle driver's license may drive a motorized cart on the streets and those areas accessible by the public within the City of Odum.
- (B) Only those persons meeting the drivers license requirements may operate a motorized cart.
- (C) All operators shall abide by all traffic regulations applicable to vehicular traffic when using the streets and those accessible by the public within the City of Odum.
- (D) Motorized carts may only be operated on city streets, but not on state highways.
- (E) No motorized cart is to be driven on any city street where the speed limit is greater than 45 mph. or any city street that the Mayor and Council or Sheriff deem to be unsafe.
- (F) Motorized carts may be operated on those authorized streets and those areas accessible by the public, only during daylight hours unless such motorized carts are equipped as outlined in O.C.G.A. 40-8-35, and are equipped with all required lighting to operate during low or no light conditions as required by the Code of Federal Registry (CFR)—49 CFR 571.500.
- (G) There shall be displayed on the rear thereof a triangular emblem with those standards and specifications adopted for slow-moving vehicles by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers in December, 1966, and contained within such society's standard ASAE S276.1, described in O.C.G.A. 40-8-4.

(H) No motorized cart, except where authorized crossing is approved, shall be permitted to operate within the boundaries of the city over, along or across state highways except as designated motorized cart crossing areas. Designated crossings are Church St. & Tillman St.

## HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL RULES:

(A) No individual or group shall engage in hazardous activities on the streets and those areas accessible by the public. Such hazardous activities, and the special rules pertaining to them, include but are not limited to the following:

- (1) Racing of any form:
- (2) Blocking of public access, except for special events approved by the city:
- (3) Loitering or parking on streets is prohibited:
- (4) Normal rules of the road shall apply:
- (5) Pedestrians should be given due consideration and reasonable right-of-way:
- (6) All laws and ordinances relative to alcohol and its use, including open container laws, which apply to traffic on the streets of the city, also apply to motorized carts. All litter shall be retained by the motorized cart operator for proper disposal later. Littering on the streets of the City of Odum shall be subject to the fines and penalties as prescribed under Georgia code.

## LIABILITY:


Each person using the streets of the city is liable for their own actions. Liability insurance coverage varies and each person operating a cart on the public streets and those accessible areas by the public should verify their coverage. Nothing in this section shall be construed as an assumption of liability by the city for any injuries to persons or property which may result from the operation of a motorized cart.

So Ordained by the Mayor & Council of the City of Odum this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011

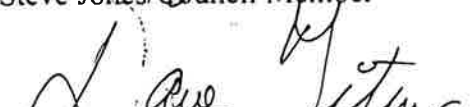
  
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