



**CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 5, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: B. Francis, City Manager

Subject: Update on Use of Golf Carts on City Streets

Background: The Council adopted Ordinance 20-11 in September 2020 to allow for the use of golf carts in the City. It has taken the staff until now to develop a process to inspect carts for safety; order and receive safety inspection stickers; order and receive appropriate signage; contact and get approvals from HOAs; and develop an informational brochure. These steps have been completed and the City is ready to start the process of conducting safety inspections so carts can be used on City Streets.

Carts can be used on all streets within the City with the exception of Hoffner Avenue, Judge Road, Daetwyler Road, and Conway Road where carts cannot be operated on the roads but can be operated on the sidewalks (pedestrians and bicycles have the right-of-way on sidewalks) and McCoy Road where golf cart are prohibited on the road, right-of way and sidewalks.

The City staff and BIPD will put out information on where and how to get a safety inspection (list of required equipment, complete an inspection form, and where to go for the inspection).

Staff Recommendation: None

Suggested Motion: None

Alternatives: None.

Fiscal Impact: TBD based on the number of carts to register.

Attachments: Brochure and Inspection form



No Carts Allowed on Sidewalk or Street

Carts Allowed on Sidewalk ONLY

For all other roads within the City of Belle Isle, golf carts are permitted



Belle Isle Police Department

Golf Cart Guide for Citizens

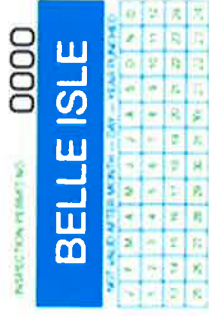
1521 Nela Avenue
Belle Isle FL 32809
407.240.2473

Golf Cart Safety Inspection

The Belle Isle Police Department shall inspect the golf cart to ensure the required equipment is installed and working properly.

- Call ahead to make an appointment 407-240-2473
- Fee: \$25.00 annually
- In the event the golf cart fails inspection, each additional inspection shall be \$5.00
- Location of Inspection Permit :

Displayed on the lower left of the front windshield



Golf carts may only be operated between the hours of sunrise and sunset by authorized drivers, unless the vehicle is equipped with:

- Headlights & Turn signals
- Brake & Reverse lights
- Red Reflective Tape on Front & Back of vehicle
- Windshield & Wipers



Authorized Drivers

- A licensed & insured driver over age 18
- An unlicensed driver over the age of 18 may only operate the golf cart between sunrise and sunset, and must be accompanied by a licensed driver over 21-years of age in the front passenger's seat with no other passengers

Time of Day

Designated Roads

Means those roads identified by the City as being safe for operation of golf carts in accordance with all requirements

- There are "Golf Cart Permitted Streets" within the City that permit the use of golf carts. These are indicated with signs as well.
- It is unlawful to operate a golf cart on any roads with a speed limit over 35 miles per hour
 - Unless it is an intersection with a 4-way stop or traffic signal along an approved roadway
- It is unlawful to operate a golf cart on any state highways or County Roads that are not marked for golf cart use

Designated Areas

- There are "Golf Cart Friendly Communities" within the City that permit the use of golf carts. These are indicated with signs.

Photo Source: Florida Department of Highway



Golf Cart Safety Inspection

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Office: 407-240-2473



Applicant's Information

Golf Cart Owner:			
Address:			
Phone Number:			
Driver's License Number:			
Additional Authorized Driver(s):			
<u>Permittee acknowledges the following in order to receive this permit:</u> All persons who operate or ride in golf carts on city roads do so at their own risk and peril and must be observant of and attentive to the safety of themselves and others, including their passengers, other motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians. The City of Belle Isle has no liability under theory of law for permitting golf carts to be operated on city roads. Any person who operates a golf cart is responsible for procuring liability insurance as required under the City of Belle Isle Code of Ordinances. Chapter 30 outlines the requirements and conditions for golf cart operation.			
Sign in front of City Staff:			Date:
City Witness: (Sign and Print)			Date:

BELLE ISLE POLICE DEPARTMENT USE ONLY | Check the following items

Inspection Completed By (print name):		Badge #:	
Date of Inspection:			
General & Daytime Use		Nighttime Use	
☐	Efficient Brakes	☐	Brake Lights
☐	Reliable Steering	☐	Tail Lights
☐	Safe Tires	☐	Head Lights
☐	Turn Signals	☐	Red Reflective Tape on Front and Back of Vehicle
☐	Reverse Lights	☐	
☐	Mirrors	☐	
☐	Horn	☐	
☐	Seatbelts	☐	
☐	Windshield	☐	
☐	Windshield Wipers	☐	
		Circle One: PASS FAIL COMMENTS:	
		Cash	
		Credit Card	
Golf Cart Decal Number: _____		Payment Amount: _____ Check #.	