Before embarking on a golf cart excursion, take a moment to review the pertinent laws and guidelines. By doing so, you will safeguard your well-being and contribute to the overall safety of the community.

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### **GOLF CART COMMUNITY**

Ordinance 20-11

# **UNDERSTANDING THE RULES OF THE ROAD**

Before hopping into a golf cart for a spin, it's important to familiarize yourself with the laws governing their use. The Belle Isle Police Department (BIPD) urges golf cart owners and drivers to understand the laws pertaining to golf carts to ensure safe and lawful operation. Just because a golf cart is deemed "street legal" doesn't grant carte blanche access to any thoroughfare. Each County and State has its own set of regulations, and it's incumbent upon drivers to adhere to these guidelines diligently.

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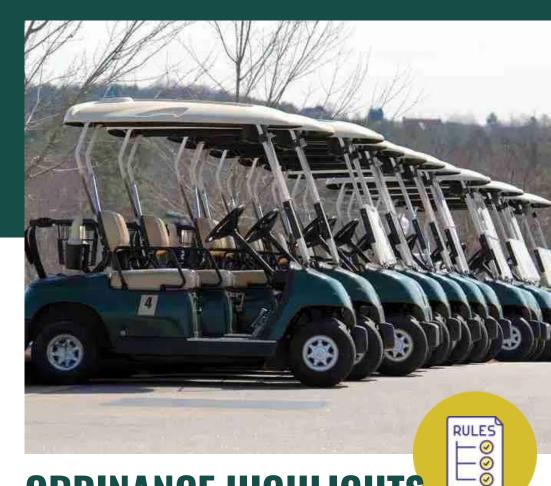
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### **AUTHORIZED DRIVERS**

#### 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.



### **ORDINANCE HIGHLIGHTS**



You must adhere to the city's ordinances (ORD 21-09) when operating a golf cart within the City of Belle Isle. Once you enter areas governed by Orange County, county regulations apply.

Familiarizing oneself with city ordinances and county and state regulations, such as those outlined by the BIPD, is the first step toward responsible golf cart operation.

#### **Belle Isle Golf Cart Ordinance Highlights:**

**Safety Equipment:** Ensure your golf cart has the necessary safety features as local and state laws require. Please visit the City of Belle Isle's official website for detailed information and a map of approved golf cart routes. Designated roads identified by the City as being safe for the 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 road with a speed limit of 30 mph or more.
- It is unlawful to cross over any road with a speed limit of 35 mph or more unless at an intersection with a traffic control device or at a designated crosswalk
- It is unlawful to operate a golf cart on any state highways or County Roads that are not marked for golf cart use.
- 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 lights, 
   red reflective tape/reflector on the front &
   back of the vehicle, and a windshield.

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- Conway Road
- Matchett Road (north of Nela Avenue)
- Nela Avenue (west of Matchett Road)
- Gondola Drive (south of Perkins Road)
- Hansel Avenue (south of Wallace Street and north of Wilks Avenue)
- Randolph Avenue (north of Wilks Avenue)
- Randolph Avenue (south of Wallace Street)
- Hoffner Avenue (west of Embassy Street)
- Orange Avenue
- Wallace Street

(between Randolph Avenue and Matchett Road)

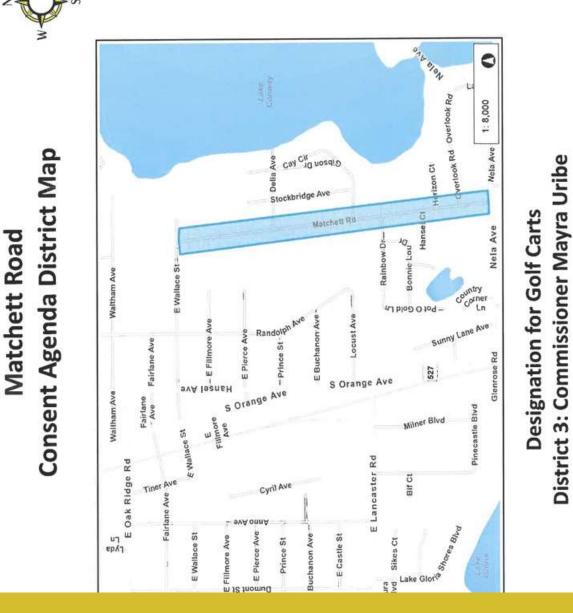
Please remember that these roads are under Orange County's jurisdiction, and county ordinances regarding golf cart usage must be followed when operating on them.

> --- Belle Isle City Limits <u>No Carts Allowed on Sidewalk or Street</u> <u>County Approved ONLY</u> Golf Cart Road <u>Carts Allowed on Sidewalk ONLY</u>

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



## **ORANGE COUNTY** SCUSSION **GOLF CART O**



Please take a look at the county's Code for comprehensive details on Orange County's regulations-Ordinance 2020-07 & 2022-23 http//www.municode.com/fl/orange\_county/codes/code\_of\_ordinance

Always verify the jurisdiction and corresponding regulations of the roads you plan to travel with your golf cart. Adhering to the appropriate ordinances ensures your safety and compliance with local laws.

- Matchett Road (north of Nela Avenue)
- Wallace Street (between Randolph Avenue and Matchett Road)
- Age Requirements:



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#### Orange County Golf Cart Ordinance Highlights:

• Designated Streets: Golf carts are permitted only on specific county roads designated for such use. In the Belle Isle area, this includes:

• Child Safety Requirements: Children Under 6 Years Old: Prohibited from being transported in a golf cart unless the child is secured in a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device as specified in Florida Statutes § 316.613(1)(a).

- Operators Under 18: Must possess a valid learner's permit or driver's license. - Operators 18 and Older: Must have a valid government-issued photo ID.

• Safety Equipment: Golf carts must have efficient brakes, reliable steering, safe tires, a rearview mirror, and red reflectorized warning devices in the front and rear.

# **GOLF CART SAFETY INSPECTION**

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



#### Annual Fee of \$25.00 (Oct 1-Sept 30)

If the golf cart fails inspection, each additional inspection will be \$5.00. The decal will be displayed on the lower left of the front windshield.

> Call the Belle Isle Police Department to make an appointment Monday through Friday, 8 am - 3 pm

Office: 407-240-2473





# **GOLF CART** DAILY INSPECTION CHECKLIST

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# GOLF CART EQUIPPED SAFETY FEATURES & DECAL

The Permittee acknowledges the following in order to receive this permit: 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 the 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.

Note: You will be required to schedule for a reinspection before renewal of Golf Cart Decal. Effective October 1, 2022, all issued golf cart decals will be \$25.00, not prorated. They will be valid for one year, October 1-September 30. Driver-side and Interior reat-view or passenger side Headlamps Parking brake

Exterior mirrors

Belle Isle City Code Article VI, Chapter 30, Sec. 30-201 to 30-211 outlines the Belle Isle Golf Cart Ordinance. https://www.belleislefl.gov/community/page/golf-carts

#### Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Guide to Owning LOW SPEED VEHICLES

A low speed vehicle (LSV) is a vehicle with a top speed greater than 20 MPH, but not greater than 25 MPH. LSVs must be registered, titled and insured with personal injury protection (PIP) and property damage liability (PDL) insurance. Any person operating an LSV must have a valid driver license. LSVs may only be operated on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 MPH or less.

LSVs must be equipped with the following safety equipment:



# GOLF CARTS ON CITY STREETS

IS YOUR GOLF CART OPERATED LEGALLY?

#### **FLHSM CONSUMER EDUCATION**

Golf carts are defined in <u>section 320.01(22)</u>, Florida Statutes, as "a motor vehicle that is designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting or recreational purposes, and that is not capable of exceeding speeds of 20 miles per hour." **Golf carts may be operated on roadways designated for golf carts with a posted speed limit of 30 mph or less.** Golf carts may also cross a portion of a county road that intersects a roadway that is approved for golf carts, or that intersects a golf course or mobile home park. In both examples, the roadway should have signs posted that golf carts share the roadway. The operation of golf carts on roads must comply with any more restrictive ordinances enacted by the local government and should be verified prior to operating these vehicles.

Beginning October 1, 2023, a person operating a golf cart on public roads or streets who is under 18 years of age must possess a valid learner's driver's license or valid driver's license, and a person who is 18 years of age or older must have a valid form of government-issued photographic identification. CITY OF BELLE ISLE BELLE ISLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Must be registered annually with the City Clerk (Oct 1-Sept 30)

Only allowed on streets with a speed limit of 30 mph or less

Must be equipped with safety features and operated during daylight hours only

Call the BIPD to make an appointment at 407-240-2473

#### **GOLF CARTS** 2025

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