

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. _____

Passed _____, 20____

CITY OF BELPRE
ORDINANCE NO. 14 (2020-21)

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES, REGULATIONS, AND
REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS RELATIVE TO THE OPERATION
OF GOLF CARTS WITHIN THE CITY OF BELPRE, OHIO**

WHEREAS, Citizens have informed Council of the City of Belpre, while in session, of a desire to operate golf carts on the streets in the City of Belpre; and

WHEREAS, Council has determined that the establishment of an ordinance to regulate the use of golf carts is necessary to promote the health, safety and welfare of its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELPRE, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION I

Definitions. For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

1. **Golf Cart** is a four-wheeled motorized under speed vehicle (USV) originally designed and constructed with a maximum attainable speed of 25 mph or less and is not originally designed or constructed for operation on a street or highway.
2. **Operator** is the person driving and in control of the golf cart.
3. **Driver's license** is a valid license issued by any state to operate a motor vehicle.
4. **Liability Insurance** on the golf cart must be an amount not less than required by Ohio law for motor vehicles operated on public highways in the State of Ohio.

SECTION II

Rules and Regulations. Golf carts may be driven on the City of Belpre streets provided the following rules and regulations are met and in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code and Ohio Administrative Code:

1. Golf cart must be registered with the Belpre Police Department.
2. Golf cart must be inspected annually by the Belpre Police Department or its "designee". A current inspection sticker must be displayed on the vehicle.
3. All golf carts must have valid license plates.
4. Operator must have and carry a valid driver's license in operator's name.
5. All registered golf carts may not be operated on the following streets:
 - (i) Washington Boulevard except as permitted below;
 - (ii) Main Street except as permitted below;
 - (iii) Putnam Howe Drive;
 - (iv) Farson Street;
 - (v) State Route 7 and US Rt. 50 anywhere within the Belpre City Limits;
 - (vi) Lee Street; and
 - (vii) Any other street within the City of Belpre with a 35 mph speed limit.

All registered golf carts shall be permitted upon all public streets in the City of Belpre with a speed limit of 25 mph or less.

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Any registered golf carts shall be permitted to cross Washington Boulevard at its intersection with Stone Road and across Main Street at Fifth Street.

6. Golf Carts may not be operated on any Ohio State highway other than to cross Washington Boulevard at Stone Road and Main Street at Fifth Street.

7. Golf carts may not be operated on sidewalks.

8. The number of occupants in a golf cart is limited to the maximum number of persons for which the vehicle was designed.

9. All passengers must have seatbelts on. Children must have proper restraint seats.

10. Operator shall comply with all traffic and motorized vehicle laws adopted by the State of Ohio and the City of Belpre. Tickets for traffic violations are issued in the same manner as other motor vehicles.

11. Golf carts must be operated in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 4511 and with equipment required by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4513.

12. No loud music shall be played in the registered golf cart. Loud music shall be considered music so loud that it would result in a loud music complaint if played in a motor vehicle.

13. No loud exhaust system shall be permitted. Exhaust systems must be the standard exhaust system installed by the manufacturer of the golf cart.

SECTION III

Inspections, Fees and Fines. All golf carts are required to be registered and inspected by the Belpre Police Department or its "designee" in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 4501:2-1-01 through 4501:2-1-21 before driving on City of Belpre streets.

1. Appointments for inspections must be scheduled in advance by contacting the Belpre Police Department.

2. Owner of the golf cart must show proof of ownership, via vehicle title or bill of sale, at time of inspection.

3. Owner must have proof of liability insurance.

4. A valid inspection sticker must be displayed on the golf cart. All golf carts must be inspected annually. Annual fee for inspection fee is \$40.00, check or money order payable to the City of Belpre. The annual inspection fee may be modified at any time by the Belpre Chief of Police and Belpre Safety Service Director.

5. Failure to register or display inspection sticker will result in a \$100.00 fine plus court costs.

6. Registered golf carts may be seized and impounded for violation of these rules and regulations.

7. No inspection sticker may be transferred by the permit holder for any other golf cart owned by the permit holder.

8. Any new golf cart purchased by a permit holder must be inspected and a new permit issued before that golf cart may be operated on the public streets of the City of Belpre.

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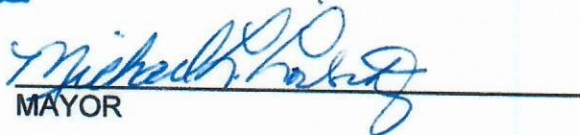
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9. No permit holder may transfer a permit to a non-permit holder. Violation of this provision will result in the revocation of the permit.

10. Any golf cart purchased by a non-permit holder must be reinspected and a new permit issued.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force at the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 6/28/2021 
ATTEST: D.F. Ferguson Protem 
PRESENTED TO MAYOR: 4/28/2021 
APPROVED BY MAYOR: 6/28/2021 MAYOR

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned Clerk of the Council of the City of Belpre, Ohio, does hereby certify that on June 28, 2021, this Ordinance was published by posting a copy of the same at the five public places designated by the City Council in Ordinance No. 18 (2006-07).

June 28, 2021
Date


CLERK