

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CITY OF MAYSVILLE
ORDINANCE NO. 24-02

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF GOLF CARTS ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF MAYSVILLE; PROVIDING FOR INSPECTION AND CITY PERMIT AND STICKER; ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS AND REQUIRED EQUIPMENT; HOURS OF OPERATION; AGE AND OPERATOR'S LICENSE; AND, EMPOWERING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE AND/OR AMEND RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS.

SUMMARY

This Ordinance creates Chapter 262 and authorizes the use of golf carts on certain streets within the City of Maysville; provides for inspection and city permit and sticker; establishes speed limits and required equipment; hours of operation; age and operator's license; and empowers the city manager to make and/or amend rules and regulations regarding ownership and operation of golf carts.

WHEREAS, KRS 189.286 authorized the use of golf carts on designated city streets; and

WHEREAS, KRS 189.286 authorized the City to regulate the operation of golf carts in the City by the adoption of an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, some Maysville residents have requested that the use of golf carts be allowed on the streets of the City of Maysville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE CITY OF MAYSVILLE, KENTUCKY:

§ 262.01- Golf Carts Allowed

The use of golf carts to travel in the City of Maysville shall be allowed pursuant to the regulations enacted in this ordinance. "Golf cart" is defined in KRS 189.286.

§ 262.02- Required Equipment

Each golf cart must have the following equipment:

1. Headlamps;
2. Tail lamps;
3. Stop lamps;
4. Front and rear turn signals;
5. One (1) red reflex reflector on each side as far to the rear as practicable, and one (1) red reflex reflector on the rear;

6. An exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side of the golf cart and either an exterior mirror mounted on the passenger's side of the golf cart or an interior mirror;
7. A parking brake;
8. For each seat, a seatbelt assembly that conforms to the federal motor vehicle safety standard provided in 49 C.F.R. sec 571.209;
9. A horn that meets the requirements of KRS 189.080;
10. A slow-moving vehicle emblem in compliance with KRS 189.820; and,

§ 262.03- Inspection Permit and Insurance

The owner of a golf cart shall be required to:

1. Have the golf cart inspected by a certified inspector designated by the Mason County Sheriff's Department and certified through the Department of Vehicle Regulation to ensure that the golf cart complies with the requirements of this ordinance. The inspection fee under this section shall be \$5 if the inspection occurs at the Sheriff's office or \$10 per trip charged if it becomes necessary for the certified inspector to travel to the site of the golf cart. A proof of inspection by the Mason County Sheriff's office shall be kept in the golf cart at all times of operation on a public roadway. The permit shall remain valid for as long as the cart belongs to the original owner.
2. Obtain a permit and windshield sticker from the City of Maysville Police Department, following a completed application, safety inspection, and ordinance review for a fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars each year. The permit and sticker are valid from May 1st of each year to April 30th of each year. The golf cart must display the sticker on its windshield; and,
3. Insure the golf cart in compliance with KRS 304.39-080 and proof of insurance shall be inside the golf cart at all times.

§ 262.04- Regulations

A person may operate a golf cart on a public roadway only if:

1. The golf cart does not exceed a speed of twenty-five (25) miles per hour;
2. The golf cart is only operated on streets with a posted speed limit of thirty-five (35) per hour or less, unless otherwise noted in this Chapter;
3. A golf cart operator may not cross an intersection where the intersecting roadway has a posted speed limit of more than thirty-five (35) miles per hour;
4. The golf cart operator has a valid operator's (driver's) license in his/her possession;
5. The head lights and taillights are illuminated during operation.
6. It is designed to carry not more than six (6) persons, including the driver, unless being utilized by the City of Maysville for official use.

§ 262.05- Compliance with Noise Ordinance and Times of Operation

The golf cart and its occupants must comply with the Noise Ordinance of the City of Maysville, and can only be operated between sunrise and sunset.

§ 262.06- Traffic Regulations Apply

Any person operating a golf cart on a public road shall be subject to the traffic regulations of KRS Chapter 189. Golf carts are not permitted on the following streets/roads, nor shall stated streets/roads be crossed by a golf cart: Jersey Ridge Road; US 62 from the intersection of Forest Avenue to mile point 16.5; KY 2516 (Old US 68) from the intersection with US 62 to Market Street; and US 62 from KY 2513 (Bridge Street) to Commerce Street.

§ 262.07- Parking

A golf cart may only be parked on hard surface pavement in parking spaces (outside of the Main Street District) and in parking spaces designated by the City in its parks. It may not be parked on City sidewalks. Golf carts may only be parked in the two City owned parking lots on McDonald Parkway in the Main Street District.

§ 262.08- Lane and Yield Requirements

The driver of a golf cart must drive in the right hand lane unless making a left hand turn. If the golf cart is slowing the normal flow of traffic, the golf cart driver must yield to vehicles, where possible.

§ 262.09- City Manager to Regulate

The City Manager shall be empowered to make new rules and regulations, or to amend existing rules and regulations regarding operation of golf carts in the City of Maysville, subject to approval by the Board of Commissioners.

§ 262.10- Towing

A Police Officer is authorized to have a towing service remove any golf cart or other self-propelled means of transportation from a city street to a storage facility when not operating with a valid permit as required in this ordinance, not possessing an element required by Kentucky Revised Statutes or this ordinance, or when parked upon a sidewalk, multi-use path, or not within an off-street parking space on a public way, or otherwise not in conformity with Kentucky Revised Statutes or this ordinance.

§ 262.11-Penalty

Violation of any provision under this chapter shall be a Class III violation punishable under Ordinance 11.01.

§ 262.12- Conflicting Laws or Regulations

All ordinances, resolutions or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to relieve any person of any legal duties or obligation created by any other statute or ordinance. Promulgation of this ordinance does not preclude legal enforcement by any peace officer or traffic control officer of any provision of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, including the prohibition against operating an unlicensed or unregistered motor vehicle on the public roads of the Commonwealth unless that motor vehicle falls within the exceptions created by this ordinance or any other existing law, ordinance or regulation in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

§ 262.13- Effective Date

That this Ordinance shall be in effect, when read, passed, and published according to law.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF MAYSVILLE,
KENTUCKY, this 26 June 2024.

Debra L. Cotterill, Mayor

Passed on 1 st reading	17 June 2024.
Adopted on 2 nd reading	26 June 2024.
Recorded by Clerk	26 June 2024.
Signed by Mayor	28 June 2024.
Published by Summary	28 June 2024.

ATTEST:

Lisa Dunbar, City Clerk

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, that I prepared the Summary above of the foregoing Ordinance of the City of Maysville, Kentucky, and that such Summary constitutes a general summary of the essential provisions of said Ordinance, reference to the full text of which Ordinance is hereby made for a complete statement of its provisions and terms.

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