Golf Cart Use Permit Application Instructions

The Town of Linn Golf Cart Registration Ordinance has been adopted by the Town Board and became effective in Spring 2021. The Town of Linn Police Department will administer the program and will be enforcing the ordinance as part of our regular law enforcement duties. To register your golf cart and obtain a permit to operate on public roadways within the Town limits, please follow the steps below:

1. Review Town of Linn Ordinance §10-9 Golf Cart Registration

Attached you will find the Town of Linn Golf Cart Registration Ordinance. Please read and understand the registration and operating requirements outlined in the ordinance.

2. Complete, sign and date the Golf Cart Use Permit Application

The Golf Cart Use Permit Application is attached. Please complete, sign and date the form. Be sure to include a copy of your driver's license and insurance policy. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

3. Return the completed Golf Cart Use Permit Application and Fee

Please return the completed Golf Cart Use Application along with the **\$80.00** biennial use permit fee to the Town of Linn Police Department:

*Checks Only! Please do not send cash in the mail or deposit cash in the drop box.

US Mail**

Town of Linn Police Department Attn: Golf Cart Registration P.O. Box 99 Zenda, WI 53195

Drop Box**

W3728 Franklin Walsh St Zenda, WI 53195

In Person

Call (262) 275-6194 and select option 1. You will be connected with a Walworth County Dispatcher. Request to have the on-duty Town of Linn Officer contact you. Based on current call volume, the on-duty officer may be able to meet with you to process your application. You MUST have the application completed and signed to expedite the process. **Officers cannot accept cash**.

^{**}Your sticker and receipt will be mailed to the address provided on the application.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-003

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF LINN, WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN, GOLF CART REGISTRATION

The Town Board of the Town of Linn, Walworth County, Wisconsin, does ordain Town of Linn Ordinance No. 74 as follows:

§ 10-9 Golf Cart Registration

A. Registration: A biennial Town of Linn use permit is required to operate a Golf cart on public roads within the limits of the Town. The fee for this permit shall be determined by the Town Board. Upon payment of fees, an operating permit shall be issued for a 2-year term. The permit sticker shall be applied to the cart and plainly visible on the front cowling of the cart. Permits are not required if the golf cart is not to be operated on public roadways. Golf Cart owners MUST provide proof of liability insurance in an amount not less than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to receive a permit.

"Golf cart" means a gas-powered or electric-powered three or four-wheeled vehicle originally designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting purposes and has a speed attainable in one mile of not more than twenty miles per hour. The cart shall be equipped with head and taillights, and a slow-moving triangle-shaped sign affixed to the outermost rear of the cart if it cannot attain a speed of 25MPH. If the cart has a rear-facing seat, it shall be on the outer portion of that.

B. Operating Restrictions:

- 1. Golf Cart usage is only allowed on Town of Linn roads with a posted speed limit of 25 miles per hour or lower except as further provided herein. Usage is prohibited on and across County Highway B, Wisconsin Highway 120, Maple Ridge Road or any other public road with posted speed limits exceeding 25 miles per hour.
- 2. No golf cart may be operated on Township roads before sunrise or after sunset.
- 3. No person under the age of 16 may operate any golf cart on any public roads. All legal operators will be required to have a valid driver's license. All passengers must be seated, and seating is limited to two people per bench seat. If a child is a passenger then the child must be seated in accordance with all child restraint seat requirements by state or federal regulations for said child.
- 4. Golf cart operators shall obey all posted road signs, i.e. Stop, Yield and Speed limit signs. Operators shall be subject to Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 346 "Rules of the Road" applicable to automobiles. Forfeitures for violations will be determined by those in effect for automobiles. In

particular, the operator must be sober, open alcohol is not allowed on the cart and all riders must be seated.

- 5. Any golf cart which cannot attain a speed of 25 miles per hour must display a slow-moving vehicle emblem as required by Section 347.245(1) Wis. Statutes.
- 6. No unattended golf cart is permitted on any public roadway while the motor is running or with the key in the ignition.
- 7. No person may operate a golf cart on a sidewalk, pedestrian walkway, in any park or any grassy area outside the roadway easement.
- 8. Golf Carts shall be operated on the extreme right side of the improved roadway and travel with the flow of traffic. Golf Carts shall be operated single file.
- C. Forfeiture. Operators violating any of the above restrictions will be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$1,000.00.
- D. Fees.
- 1. The biennial permit fee shall be \$80.00 which permit shall expire on December 31 of odd years.
- E. Effective Date. The passage of this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption by the Town Board and its posting or publication thereof as required, pursuant to s. 60.80, Wis. Stat.

Town of Linn Police Department

Golf Cart Use Permit Application

Name (Last, First)			Make of Golf Cart	
Address (Town of Linn)		Year	Color	
City	State	Zip	VIN or Serial Number	
Driver's License No	State	Phone	Liability Insurance Co	mpany
Email Address			Insurance Policy Num	ber

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