

SECTION 8.21. - SPECIAL VEHICLES, MOTORIZED GOLF CARS, CLASS 1 ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND MINI-TRUCKS.

Subd. 1. Definitions. The following terms, as used in this Section, shall have the meanings stated:

A. Scope. The definitions in this Subdivision apply only to Chapter 8, Section 8.21.

B. Person. An individual or an organization as defined in section 336.1-201(b)(27).

C. All-Terrain Vehicle. As defined in Min Stat. § 169.045, subd. 1, a four-wheel motorized flotation-tired vehicle with four low pressure tires that is limited in engine displacement of less than 800 cubic centimeters and total dry weight less than 600 pounds.

D. Applicant. Any owner of a golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck requesting authorization to operate said golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck within the city limits of the City of Hallock.

E. Motorized Golf Cart. Any passenger conveyance being driven with four wheels with four low-pressure tires that is limited in engine displacement of less than 800 cubic centimeters and total dry weight less than 800 pounds.

F. Mini-Truck. As defined in Minn. Stat. § 169.01, subd. 40(a), a motor vehicle that has four wheels; is propelled by an electric motor with a rated power of 7,500 watts or less or an internal combustion engine with a piston displacement capacity of 660 cubic centimeters or less; has a total dry weight of 900 to 2,200 pounds; contains an enclosed cabin and a seat for the vehicle operator; commonly resembles a pickup truck or van, including a cargo area or bed located at the rear of the vehicle; and was not originally manufactured to meet federal motor vehicle safety standards required of motor vehicles in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, sections 571.101 to 571.404, and successor requirements. A mini-truck does not include: a neighborhood electric vehicle or a medium-speed electric vehicle as defined by § 73.11; or a motor vehicle that meets or exceeds the regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 571.500, as it may be amended from time to time.

G. Owner. A person, other than person with security interest, having a property interest in or title to a golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck and entitled to use and possession of the vehicle.

H. Designated Roadways. All roadways under the jurisdiction of the City of Hallock.

Subd. 2. Permit. No person shall operate a motorized golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck on streets, alleys, sidewalks or other public property without obtaining a permit

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as provided herein. The following provisions apply to the permit process

A. Every application for a permit shall be made on a form supplied by the city and shall contain all of the following information:

- a. The name and address of the applicant.
- b. Model name, make, year and serial number of the motorized golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck.
- c. Current driver's license number (mini trucks only)
- d. Other information as the city may require

B. The permit application shall include a permit fee, an amount to be set by city council resolution.

C. Permits shall be granted and renewed for a period of not to exceed one year. All permits shall expire on December 31 of each year

D. No permit shall be granted or renewed unless the following conditions are met:

- a. The applicant must demonstrate that he or she currently holds or has a Minnesota driver's license to operate a mini-truck.
- b. The applicant must provide evidence of insurance in compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes concerning insurance coverage for the golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck.
- c. The applicant has not had his or her driver's license revoked as the result of criminal proceedings.
- d. The applicant may be required to submit a certificate signed by a physician that the applicant is able to safely operate a motorized golf cart or all-terrain vehicle on the roadways designated.

E. The City may suspend or revoke a permit granted hereunder, pending a hearing, upon a finding that the holder thereof has violated any of the provisions of this section or Minn. Stat., ch. 169, as it may be amended from time to time, or if there is evidence that the permit holder cannot safely operate the motorized golf cart, all-terrain vehicle, or mini-truck on the designated roadways.

Subd. 3 Operations. Additional conditions:

A. Motorized golf carts shall display the slow-moving vehicle emblem provided for in Minn. Stat. § 169.045, as it may be amended from time to time, when operated on designated roadways.

B. Motorized golf carts and all-terrain vehicles may only be operated on designated roadways from sunrise to sunset. They shall not be operated in inclement weather conditions or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons and vehicles on the roadway at a distance of 500 feet.

C. No person under 16 years of age shall operate a motorized golf cart or all-terrain vehicle in the City of Hallock.

D. Motorized golf carts, all-terrain vehicles, and mini-trucks shall be equipped with a rear-view mirror to provide the driver with adequate vision from behind as required by Minn. Stat. § 169.70.

E. Motorized golf carts, all-terrain vehicles, and mini-trucks shall be equipped with a muffler or other device that effectively prevents the discharge of loud or explosive exhaust noises.

F. Prima Facie Evidence. It is prima facie evidence of exhibition driving when a motorized golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck starts, accelerates, decelerates, or turns at an unnecessary rate of speed so as to cause tires to squeal, gears to grind, soil to be thrown, engine backfire, fishtailing or skidding, or, as to any motorized golf cart, all-terrain vehicle or mini-truck, cause the front wheels to lose contact with the ground or roadway surface.

G. Motorized golf carts, all-terrain vehicles and mini-trucks are permitted to operate only on city streets, not state or federal highways, except to cross such state or federal highways, but only at approximately a 90 degree angle.

H. Every person operating a motorized golf cart, an all-terrain vehicle, or a mini-truck under permit on designated roadways has all the rights and duties applicable to the driver of any other vehicle under the provisions of Minn. Stat., ch. 169, as it may be amended from time to time, except when these provisions cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts or mini-trucks and except as otherwise specifically provided in Minn. Stat. § 169.045(7), as it may be amended from time to time.

I. The number of occupants on the golf cart, all-terrain vehicle, or mini-truck may not exceed the design occupant load.

J. Authorized city staff may operate city owned motorized golf carts and mini-trucks without obtaining a permit within the city on city streets, sidewalks, trails, rights-of-way, and public property when conducting city business.

Subd. 4 Mini-trucks. Additional equipment requirements.

A. Notwithstanding sections 169.48 to 169.68, or any other law, a mini truck may be operated under permit on designated roadways if it is equipped with:

- a. At least two headlamps.
- b. At least two tail lamps.
- c. Front and rear turn-signal lamps.
- d. A windshield.
- e. A seat belt for the driver and front passenger.
- f. A parking brake
- g. An exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side of the vehicle.
- h.. An exterior mirror mounted on the passenger's side of the vehicle or an interior mirror.

Subd. 5. Other Statutory Authority. This ordinance does not restrict any allowable uses provided in Minnesota Statute relating to any state or county roadways within the city limits.

Subd. 6 Violations. Unless otherwise set forth by State Statute or rule, any violation of this Section shall be a petty misdemeanor

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