

CHAPTER 4

GOLF CART USAGE

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Sec. 8-4-1 Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to create Ordinance Title 8, Chapter 4, 8-4-1 of the Packwaukee Code pertaining to regulations creating routes and standards for the operation of golf carts upon the town roads.

Sec. 8-4-2 Statutory Authority

This section, and any special routes created hereunder, is created pursuant to Town authority under Section 349.18 (1), 349.23 and 349.26, Wis. Stats.; this Section is intended to facilitate the implementation these statutory provisions.

Sec. 8-4-3 Conditions of Operation

The following conditions of operation shall apply to all operators and passengers of golf carts:

1. **Speed:** No person shall operate a golf cart on Town roads at a posted speed in excess of 15 m.p.h, and only on roads that have a speed limit of 25 mph or less.
2. **Restrictions on Equipment:** No golf cart may be operated on any street or public way within the Town of Packwaukee unless it complies with all noise, registration, and other equipment standards as established in the Wisconsin Statutes or this Code of Ordinances.
3. **Safety Signage:** All golf carts shall display at all times a Slow-Moving Vehicle Sign as prescribed by Section 347.245(1), Wis. Stats.
4. **Headlight and Taillight requirements:** Every golf cart operating within the Town of Packwaukee upon any public street or way during the hours of darkness shall display a white headlamp and a red tail lamp. The headlights shall be white or clearly observed at a distance of five hundred (500) feet. The taillights (two in number) must be red in color and must be visible for 500 feet to the rear during the hours of darkness. They must be located on the outer edges of the cart.

5. Licensed Operator requirements: All Operators/Drivers of the golf cart must have a valid driver's license.
6. When legally operating on a roadway: Operate at the extreme right side of the roadway surface. Left turns can be made from any part of the roadway surface as long as it's safe. You must operate single file.
7. Liability: Any and all liability and/or property damage caused by golf cart while on township roads will be the sole responsibility of the golf cart owner and the operator involved.

Sec. 8-4-4 Routes

The Town of Packwaukee shall establish designated routes/trails with the Township for golf cart operation on Town streets, public property or public ways. Except as provided in the Wisconsin Statutes or herein, no person shall operate a golf cart upon any public right-of-way, public park or cemetery, or any other public property in the Town, or on private property without the owner's express permission except upon routes and trails designated by the Town Board as golf cart routes. These routes shall be designated as golf cart routes/trails and to be used for the purpose under all circumstances, including day or night operation.

1. Fish Court-Lake Emery
2. Lakeview Drive East & West Buffalo Lake and Lake Shore Drive and Buffalo Shores Subdivision - Buffalo Lake
3. Fox Road and Williams Lake Area
4. Unincorporated area of Packwaukee that has a posted speed limit of 25 miles per hour or less.
5. Marquette Meadows

Sec. 8-4-5 Posting

The Town of Packwaukee shall erect and maintain appropriate route, trail, and speed limit signs markers as required by the Wisconsin Statutes and according to Wisconsin Department of Transportation standards.

Signs and markers to be obeyed. No person shall fail to obey any route or trail sign, marker or speed limit or other control device erected in accordance with the Section or traffic sign or signal under authority of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Sec. 8-4-6 Violations and penalties

Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall forfeit not less than \$25.00 for the first offense and \$50.00 for any other offenses, as authorized in Section 1-1-5, Town of Packwaukee Ordinances.

Sec. 8-4-7 Fee

All golf carts must be registered with the Town Clerk. Owners name, address and phone number. Each golf cart will be issued a number corresponding to the Town of Packwaukee registration. The golf cart owner shall acquire and install a minimum 3" number corresponding to the registration on each side of the golf cart in contrasting color to the background. Registration fee is \$25.00 for a three year period.

Sec. 8-4-8 Effective Date

This ordinance shall be in force from and after its introduction and publication as proved by Statute
January 23, 2014