

# **ORDINANCE 115: TRAFFIC, AUTHORIZED USE OF GOLF CARTS ON CITY STREETS**

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF GOLF CARTS ON STREETS AND ALLEYS IN THE CITY LIMITS:

## **SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS**

**Motorized Golf Cart.** Motorized Golf Cart means a vehicle, usually three or four wheeled, which is self propelled and is designed to be used to provide transportation on a golf course.

## **SECTION 2: PERMITS REQUIRED**

No person shall operate a motorized golf cart on streets and alleys within the city limits or under the jurisdiction of the City of New York Mills without first obtaining a written permit from the city, except no permits will be required for parades. Each application for a permit shall give the name and address of the applicant, evidence of insurance, which meets the requirements of Minnesota Statute §65B.48 Sub. 5, and such other information as the city may require and authorized by law. All permits expire on December 31 of the year in which the permit was issued. The city council shall set the fees for such permits by resolution.

## **SECTION 3: REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF PERMIT**

A permit may be revoked at any time or denied if it is shown the permittee cannot safely operate motorized golf carts on the designated routes, if the permittee has had a valid driver's license revoked for traffic violations or the permittee has violated any term or condition of this permit or other city traffic ordinance.

## **SECTION 4: DESIGNATED ROADWAYS**

All city streets and alleys within the city limits shall be designated motorized golf cart routes. No federal, state or county highway or road shall be a designated roadway. The operator of a motorized golf cart may cross any street or highway intersecting a designated roadway.

## **SECTION 5: CONDITIONS OF OPERATION**

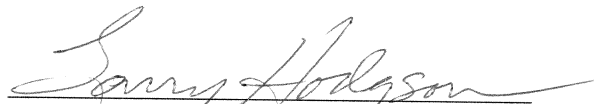
Operation of motorized golf carts on city streets are subject to the following conditions:

1. Motorized golf carts may only be operated on designated roadways from sunrise to sunset. They shall not be operated in inclement weather or when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog or other 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. Motorized golf carts shall not be operated at speeds greater than 15 mph.
2. Motorized golf carts shall display the slow moving vehicle emblem provided for in Minnesota Statutes §169.522 when operated.
3. Every person operating a motorized golf cart on designated roadways has all the rights and duties applicable to the driver of any other vehicle under the provisions of Chapter 169 of Minnesota Statutes, except when those provisions cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts and except as otherwise specifically provided in Minnesota Statute §169.045 Sub. 7 and this ordinance. City ordinances regulating parking and traffic will apply to persons operating a motorized golf cart on designated roadways, except for those relating to required equipment, those that by their nature have no application and those inconsistent with the provisions herein.


**SECTION 6:           LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as an assumption of liability by the city for any injuries to persons or property which may result from the operation of a motorized golf cart by a permit holder or the failure by the city to revoke said permit.

Passed by the City Council of the City of New York Mills this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2008.

  
Larry Hodgson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Darla Berry, City Clerk