

## ORDINANCE 46-2013

### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HILLCREST VILLAGE, TEXAS, PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS.**

**WHEREAS, the City of Hillcrest Village allows golf carts to be operated within the city limits under the guidelines below.**

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HILLCREST VILLAGE, TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS:**

#### **SECTION 1: DEFINITION**

The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles defines golf cart as a vehicle that has no less than three wheels, has a normal maximum speed of between 15-25 mph, and is manufactured primarily for operation on golf courses.

#### **SECTION 2: SPEED**

No person shall operate a golf cart within the City of Hillcrest Village on any street or other designated public way at a speed in excess of any posted limit.

Any golf cart which is not able to attain the posted speed limits on the City's streets, must display a "Slow Moving Vehicle" sign.

#### **SECTION 3: RESTRICTION ON EQUIPMENT:**

No golf cart may be operated on any street within the City limits unless it conforms to all noise, registration, and other equipment requirements as determined by the City.

#### **SECTION 4: HEADLIGHTS AND TAILLIGHTS:**

Every golf cart operating within the City, upon any public street, must display a lighted headlight and taillight during the hours of darkness and said lights must conform to the requirements of this ordinance.

Headlights shall be of a white or clear light and be capable of illuminating the road ahead during hours of darkness and must be observable to a distance of 500 feet. Headlights must be properly adjusted, as not to interfere with the operation of other vehicles on the roadway.

Taillights shall be red in color and be observable to a distance of 500 feet.

#### **SECTION 5: AGE AND HOUR RESTRICTIONS:**

A person must be at least 13\* years of age to operate a golf cart on a roadway and can do so only between sunrise and sunset.

\*Any under aged, non-licensed driver ages 13 and up may operate a golf cart only if accompanied in the front seat by a parent or other responsible licensed adult over 18 years old.

#### **SECTION 6: UNATTENDED VEHICLES**

No person shall leave or allow any golf cart to remain unattended on any public street or public property while the motor is running or with the starter key left in the ignition.

## SECTION 7: OPERATION ON SIDEWALKS PROHIBITED

No person shall operate a golf cart upon any sidewalk or pedestrian way or the area between the sidewalk and the curb line of any street in the City, except as a specially authorized for the purpose of legally crossing the street or to obtain immediate access to an authorized area of operation.

## SECTION 8: ROUTES DESIGNATED

No person shall operate any vehicle upon any public right-of-way or easement except city streets, or in any public park or on any public or private property within the City.

## SECTION 9: SIGNS AND MARKERS TO BE OBEYED

No person shall fail to obey any marker, traffic sign, traffic signal, or speed limit posted in the City.

Golf carts shall be operated on the right side of the roadway and travel with the flow of traffic.

Golf carts shall be operated in single file with headlights and taillights in operation during dawn, twilight, and nighttime. If a trailer is towed behind, the trailer must conform to all lighting requirements for golf carts.

Golf Cart operators shall yield the right-of-way to all other motor vehicular traffic and pedestrians.

First Reading:

Passed, approved, and adopted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013.

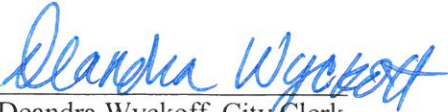
  
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Tom Wilson, Mayor

  
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Deandra Wyckoff, City Clerk

Second and Final Reading:

Passed, approved, and adopted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.

  
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