

## Golf Cart and Under Speed Vehicle Inspection Program

Ohio Law allows a municipality to authorize licensing and operation of golf carts and under speed vehicles (USV) within the corporate limits of the municipality as long as equipment standards are met on each vehicle. To be street legal, golf carts or USVs must have the following:

- Headlights
- 2 Brake lights
- Tail lights
- Turn signals
- Windshield
- Horn
- Rearview mirror
- License plate lights

More important items to be aware of:

- Golf carts or USVs must also not be capable of traveling over 20 mph.
- An Ohio operator's license is required to operate the golf cart or USV.
- There has to be a seat belt for every occupant on the golf cart or USV.
- Children must utilize child restraint seats as required by the Ohio Revised Code.
- Proof of Insurance must be presented at time of Inspection.
- Your golf cart or USV must have a VIN (vehicle identification number). Please know where this number is located on your vehicle and make sure it is clean and readable.

Carts and USVs must be Inspected by a Law Enforcement Officer. This service is provided to all Orrville residents who seek to operate their golf cart or USV on legal roadways within the city as defined in City Ordinance A-18, which was approved on February 5, 2018.

**Individuals must transport (not drive) the golf cart or USV to the inspection location. Appointments may be made by calling 330 684-5058. Inspections available by appointment only, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Each golf cart that passes inspection will be authorized to purchase a title from the Wayne County Title Office and registration / license plates from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. These plates must be affixed to the front and rear of the golf cart. Golf carts that become licensed will be restricted to 35 MPH roadways as indicated in the city ordinance. Be sure to familiarize yourself with restricted areas.

For a detailed list of legal mandates that are necessary for licensing, safety equipment and more information, refer to Ohio Revised Code Section **4503.10** and **4501:2-1**. All carts and USVs presented for inspection must meet those standards set forth before being considered for inspection. This inspection process **does not apply** to ATV'S or UTVs, only golf carts and USV (Under Speed Vehicle less than 20 M.P.H.)

Golf Cart and USV drivers are required to follow the same rules as other drivers. For example, DUI laws and insurance laws apply to anyone driving a golf cart on public roads.

#### GOLF CART AND USV LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Ohio Revised Code 4510.12 – Requires a valid driver’s license for ANY operation of a MOTOR VEHICLE on a public or private property.
- Ohio Revised Code 4510.263 – One (1) seatbelt PER OCCUPANT of the cart.
- Ohio Revised Code 4510.81 – A child safety seat installed to manufacturer specifications for any occupant under the age of four or under 40-lbs. in weight.
- Ohio Revised Code 4510.81 – A child booster seat installed to manufacturer specifications for any occupant between the ages of four and eight or under 49” in height.
- Ohio Revised Code 4509.101 – Must show proof of insurance on listed golf cart.
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.05 – Must be equipped with rear tail light (only one (1) is required).
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.05 – Must have light to illuminate license plate and make license plate legible from a distance of 50-feet.
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.071 – Must have two (2) working brake lights.
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.04 – Must have two (2) headlights.
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.21 – Must have operating horn.
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.23 – Must have a rearview mirror (1)
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.24 – Must have a windshield (safety glass) and a wiper.
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.261 – Must have operating directional signals.
- Ohio Revised Code 4513.21 – Must have brackets for mounting two license plates (front & back).