

# City of Fredericksburg

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## GOLF CART / UTV REGISTRATION / RENEWAL FORM

(Registration / Renewal Fee - \$30.00)

(Checks payable to City of Fredericksburg)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN MAILING ADDRESS): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

### DRIVER'S LICENSE INFORMATION:

DL NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

### GOLF CART / UTV INFORMATION:

COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE: \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

### INSURANCE INFORMATION:

INSURANCE CARRIER: \_\_\_\_\_

POLICY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

(FOR THE CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

(Office Use Only)

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt Number: \_\_\_\_\_

ORDINANCE NO. 230-02-2017

An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fredericksburg, Iowa 2013, By Adding a Section Pertaining to GOLF CARTS and UTV'S.

Be It Enacted by the City Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Iowa:

Section 1. SECTION ADDED. Chapter 81, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fredericksburg, Iowa, 2013:

**PURPOSE** The purpose of this chapter is to permit the operation of golf carts and UTV's to regulate the operation of golf carts and UTV's within and on streets in the City of Fredericksburg as authorized by Section 321.247 of the *Code of Iowa*. This chapter applies whenever a golf cart or UTV is operated on any street or alley.

**DEFINITIONS**

1. "Golf cart" means a three or four wheeled recreational vehicle generally used for transportation of person(s) in the sport of golf, that is limited in engine displacement of less than 800 cubic centimeters and total dry weight of less than 800 pounds.
2. "Off-road utility vehicle" means a motorized vehicle, with not less than four and not more than eight non-highway tires or rubberized tracks, that is limited in engine displacement to less than 1,500 cubic centimeters and in total dry weight to not more than 2,000 pounds and has a seat that is a bucket or bench design, not intended to be straddled by the operator, and a steering wheel or control levers for control.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.1)
3. "Operate" means to ride in or on, other than as a passenger, use, or, control the operation of a golf cart in any manner, whether or not the golf cart is moving.
4. "Operator" means a person, who operated or is in actual physical control of a golf cart.
5. "Roadway" means that portion of a highway improved, designated, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel.
6. "Street or highway" means the entire width between property lines of every way or place of whatever nature when any part thereof is open to the use of the public, as a matter of right, for the purposes of vehicular travel.

**OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS & UTV'S PERMITTED** Golf carts and UTV's may be operated upon the streets of the City by person(s) possessing a valid driver's license, a City permit and at least 16 years of age.

**PROHIBITED STREETS** Golf carts or UTV's shall not be operated upon any City street which has a speed limit in excess of 25 mph. Golf carts or UTV's may not be operated on US Highway 18. However, golf carts and UTV's may cross such a primary road extension.

**UNLAWFUL OPERATION**

1. No golf carts or UTV's shall be operated or parked upon City sidewalks or trails.
2. No golf cart or UTV shall be operated under the influence of intoxicating liquor, narcotics or habit forming drugs.
3. No person shall operate a golf cart or UTV in a careless, reckless or negligent manner endangering the person or property of another or causing injury or damage to same.
4. No golf cart or UTV shall carry more passengers than golf cart or UTV is designed for.
5. All passengers must be seated and seatbelts buckled if so equipped.
6. No one under the age of five (5) years old shall be a passenger at any time.



**EQUIPMENT REQUIRED** Golf carts and UTV's operated upon City streets shall be equipped with a 12x12 inch slow moving vehicle sign and a bicycle safety flag (flag height need to be at 6ft. (72 inches) in the air at all times during operation and shall be equipped with adequate brakes.

**HOURS** Golf carts and UTV's may be operated on City streets only between sunrise and sunset. (Even though your golf cart or UTV has lights on it, this does NOT permit you to operate after sunset.) They shall not be operated when visibility is such that there is insufficient light to clearly see person and vehicles at a distance of 500 feet.

**TRAFFIC LAWS APPLICABLE** While being operated on City streets, golf carts and UTV's are deemed to be motor vehicles and are subject to all provisions relating to the operation of motor vehicles, including if equipped with blinkers or light that they run at all times.

**LIABILITY INSURANCE** No person shall operate a golf cart or UTV on city streets and alleys unless there is in effect for the golf cart or UTV an owner's policy of liability insurance.

**CITY PERMIT REQUIRED** No person shall operate a golf cart or UTV on any public street or alley, for any purpose, unless the operator possesses a City of FREDERICKSBURG's permit to operate a golf cart or UTV on City streets, issued by the City Administrator.

1. Golf cart or UTV owners may apply for a permit from the City Clerk on forms provided by the City.
2. The Administrator shall not issue a permit until the owner / operator has provided the following:
  - a. Evidence that the operator is at least 16 years of age, and possesses a valid Iowa Driver's License.
  - b. Proof that owner and operator have liability insurance covering operation of golf carts or UTV'S on City streets in the amount required by Iowa Code.
3. All permits shall be issued for a specific golf cart or UTV. Permit holders will be issued a number and a sticker to affix to the left side rear fender or similar component.
4. The fee for such permits shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00). Permits will be granted for one (1) year valid from January 1 through December 31. Permits may be purchased at anytime during the year but will be valid only through December 31.
5. The permit may be suspended or revoked by the City upon finding evidence that the permit holder has violated the conditions of the permit or has abused the privilege of being a permit holder. There will be no refund of the permit fee.

**RENEWAL** After initial registration, renewal stickers will be issued upon payment of the renewal fee. The sticker that is issued at Registration is a permanent sticker. DO NOT REMOVE THIS STICKER. The renewal stickers will be smaller stickers that will be placed on the original registration sticker, similar to those renewing your automobile registration.

**SOLD GOLF CART OR UTV** If a cart is sold, the registered golf cart owner shall inform the City administrator and request cancellation of the registration of the golf cart. Any existing registration for a golf cart shall be deemed cancelled upon its sale. If the new owner intends to operate the golf cart on any City street or alley, the new owner shall register the golf cart and pay the initial registration fee.

**REVOKE REGISTRATION** The Chickasaw County Sheriff's Department Officers may revoke the registration of any golf cart or UTV in the event of repeated violations, following a notice and an opportunity for a hearing.

**RESPECT PUBLIC PROPERTY**

Golf carts and UTV's are considered motor vehicles, they are not to be driven on sidewalks or through the grass. They should be parked on the street or in the parking lots, same as with other vehicles.

**CITY CELEBRATION WAIVER**

This provision will be waived for golf carts or UTV's used by officials, workers, of a city celebration.

**PENALTY**

In addition to the suspension or revocation of the permit a person who violated this chapter is guilty of a simple misdemeanor punishable as a scheduled violation under Iowa Code.

Any operator that violates any part of this subsection shall be issued a municipal infraction of:

- a. Seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for the first offense
- b. One-hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the second offense and revocation of the registration for the remainder of the registration period.
- c. One-hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) for the third offense and permanent revocation of registration.

If the municipal citation is not paid within 21 days, the civil citation will be re-issued as a criminal citation and forwarded to the Chickasaw County Court for prosecution.

**SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**

If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**WHEN EFFECTIVE**

This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the 6th day of March, and approved this 6th day of March, 2017.