

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-19**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WAYNE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE VII TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 70 GENERAL PROVISIONS – BY ADDING A SECTION PERTAINING TO GOLF CAR VEHICLES; OPERATION AUTHORIZED; RESTRICTIONS; LIABILITY INSURANCE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That Wayne Municipal Code Title VII Traffic Code, Chapter 70 General Provisions – Golf Car Vehicles, is hereby added as follows:

**§78-400 DEFINITION; OPERATION AUTHORIZED; RESTRICTIONS; LIABILITY INSURANCE**

- 1) Golf car vehicle means a vehicle that has at least four wheels, has a maximum level ground speed of less than twenty miles per hour, has a maximum payload capacity of one thousand two hundred pounds, has a maximum gross vehicle weight of two thousand five hundred pounds, has a maximum passenger capacity of not more than four persons, and is designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting and recreational purposes.
- 2) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a golf car vehicle upon any street or highway within the corporate limits, or upon any public land owned by the municipality, except as follows and under the following terms:
  - (a) The operation of golf car vehicles on streets within the corporate limits of the city shall be (i) between sunrise and sunset and (ii) on streets with a posted speed limit of thirty-five miles per hour or less. When operating a golf car vehicle as authorized under this subsection, the operator shall not operate such vehicle at a speed in excess of twenty miles per hour. A golf car vehicle shall not be operated at any time on any state or federal highway but may be operated upon such a highway in order to cross a portion of the highway system which intersects a street as directed in subsection (3) of this section.
  - (b) Any person operating a golf car vehicle as authorized under this subsection shall **be at least 16 years of age**, have a valid Class O operator's license, and the owner of the golf car vehicle shall have liability insurance coverage for the golf car vehicle. The person operating the golf car vehicle shall provide proof of such insurance coverage to any peace officer requesting such proof within five days after such a request. The liability insurance coverage shall be subject to limits, exclusive of interest and costs, as follows: Twenty-five thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and, subject to such limit for one person, fifty thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and twenty-five thousand dollars because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.
- 3) The crossing of a highway shall be permitted by a golf car vehicle only if:
  - (a) The crossing is made at an angle of approximately ninety degrees to the direction of the highway and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing;

- (b) The golf car vehicle is brought to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or roadway of the highway;
  - (c) The operator yields the right-of-way to all oncoming traffic that constitutes an immediate potential hazard; and
  - (d) In crossing a divided highway, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such highway with a street or road, as applicable.
- 4) For purposes of this section:
- (a) Road means a public way for the purposes of vehicular travel, including the entire area within the right-of-way; and
  - (b) Street means a public way for the purposes of vehicular travel in a city or village and includes the entire area within the right-of-way.
- 5) Golf car vehicles shall not be permitted on any city sidewalk or trail, except to travel to the nearest city street to allow the operator to cross a state or federal highway pursuant to Section (2)(a) of this ordinance.
- 6) The penalty for violating Section (2)(b) of this ordinance shall be a class III Misdemeanor, punishable by a waivable fine of \$300.00 for the first offense, and \$500.00 for any subsequent offense. The penalty for violating any other section of this ordinance shall be a class III Misdemeanor, punishable by a waivable fine of \$100.00 for the first offense, \$200.00 for a second offense, and \$300.00 for a third or subsequent offense.

**Source:** *Neb.Rev.Stat.* §60-6,381

Section 2. Any other ordinance or section passed and approved prior to passage, approval, and publication of this ordinance, and in conflict with its provisions, is repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025.

THE CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA,

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk