

**ORDINANCE #2024- 11**

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE REGULATION AND USE  
OF GOLF CARTS OPERATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS  
OF THE TOWN OF MONON, WHITE COUNTY, INDIANA**

WHEREAS, there has been an interest in the use of golf carts operating on the streets, alleys, roads, highways and thoroughfares within the Town of Monon, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Monon believes that in order to help preserve the health and safety of its citizens that it is necessary to regulate the use of golf carts operated on streets, alleys, roads, highways or thoroughfares within the Town of Monon, Indiana, pursuant to I.C. 9-21-1-3.3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MONON, INDIANA, THAT:

Section 1. For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning:

- a. "Town Street." The entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly maintained when any part of the way is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel within the corporate limits of the town. The term includes, but is not limited to, streets, alleys, and roads.
- b. "Financial Responsibility." The meaning expressed in Ind. Code §9-25-4-1 et seq., as it now reads or may be amended in the future.
- c. "Golf cart." A four-wheeled motor vehicle originally designed and intended to transport one or more individuals, and golf clubs, for the purpose of playing the game of golf on a golf course.
- d. "Operate." To exercise control over the function or movement of a golf cart.
- e. "State Highway." Any street or road under the control of and maintained by the State of Indiana and shall include, but not be limited to, State Roads 43 and 16.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful to operate a golf cart on any town street except as specifically authorized by this Ordinance.

Section 3. Golf carts must obey posted speed limits and may not be operated at a speed greater than twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

Section 4. The operator of a golf cart on a town street must have a valid driver's license in his or her possession at all times while operating a golf cart.

Section 5. No person may operate a golf cart on town streets unless financial responsibility is in effect with respect to the golf cart as provided under Ind. Code §9-25-4-4 as it now reads or may be amended in the future.

Section 6. Any golf cart to be operated on a town street shall be registered with the Town of Monon at the Town Hall on an annual basis. Such registration is valid from January 1 until December 31 of each registration year. Each registrant shall provide the Golf Cart Identification Number and proof of financial responsibility (certificate of insurance) with respect to each golf cart to be registered. An annual registration fee shall be paid for each golf cart to be registered in the amount of \$25 per year. A registration sticker shall be provided to each registrant and shall be displayed on the vehicle's rear bumper.

Section 7. The operator of a golf cart on a town street shall comply with all traffic laws and rules adopted by the State of Indiana and the Town of Monon.

Section 8. Golf carts operated on town streets must have factory seating for all occupants, headlights, brake lights, and turn signals. The number of occupants in a golf cart shall be limited to the number of persons for whom factory seating is installed and provided on the golf cart. The operator and all occupants shall be seated in the golf cart and no part of the body of the operator or occupant shall extend outside the perimeter of the golf cart while the golf cart is being operated, provided however, that the operator shall use proper hand signals when required.

Section 9. No golf cart shall be operated on or at the following:


- a. Any state highway or portion thereof, except to cross a state highway by traveling on a town street perpendicular to the state highway at a location where the town street intersects with the state highway.
- b. Any sidewalk, trail, pedestrian bridge, or path, not specifically designated for use by a motor vehicle.

Section 10. Anyone violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$50 for the first violation and \$100 for each subsequent violation in the same calendar year. In addition to a fine, the violator shall pay all expenses and costs related to prosecution and collection. If a person is cited for a violation of this Ordinance more than two (2) times in the same calendar year, the registration shall be revoked and the golf cart shall no longer be permitted to operate within the limits of the Town of Monon for that year.

Section 11. That all prior Ordinances in conflict with the above are hereby repealed upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

Section 12. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon passage.

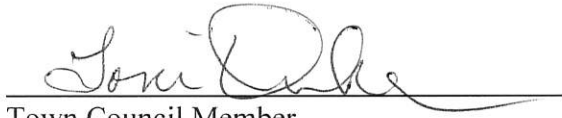
Passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Monon on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER, 2024.

  
Town Council President

  
Town Council Member

  
Town Council Vice President

  
Town Council Member

  
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ATTEST:

  
Town Clerk-Treasurer