

CITY OF BELLEVUE
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-05-05

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF GOLF CARTS ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF BELLEVUE; PROVIDING FOR INSPECTION AND CITY PERMIT AND STICKER; ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS AND REQUIRED EQUIPMENT; HOURS OF OPERATION; AGE AND OPERATOR’S LICENSE; AND, EMPOWERING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO MAKE AND/OR AMEND RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS.

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WHEREAS, KRS 189.286 authorized the use of golf carts on designated city streets; and

WHEREAS, KRS 189.286 authorized the City to regulate the operation of golf carts in the City by the adoption of an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, some Bellevue residents have requested that the use of golf carts be allowed on the streets of the City of Bellevue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

Section 1

The use of golf carts to travel in the City of Bellevue shall be allowed pursuant to the regulations enacted in this ordinance. “Golf cart” is defined in KRS 189.286.

Section 2

Each golf cart must have the following equipment:

1. Headlamps;
2. Tail lamps;
3. Stop lamps;
4. Front and rear turn signals;
5. One (1) red reflex reflector on each side as far to the rear as practicable, and one (1) red reflex reflector on the rear;
6. An exterior mirror mounted on the driver’s side of the golf cart and either an exterior mirror mounted on the passenger’s side of the golf cart or an interior mirror;
7. A parking brake;

8. For each seat, a seatbelt assembly that conforms to the federal motor vehicle safety standard provided in 49 C.F.R. sec 571.209;
9. A horn that meets the requirements of KRS 189.080;
10. A slow-moving vehicle emblem in compliance with KRS 189.820; and,

Section 3

The owner of a golf cart shall be required to:

1. Have the golf cart inspected by the Campbell County Sheriff;
2. Obtain a permit and windshield sticker from the City of Bellevue for a fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars each year. The permit and sticker are valid from May 1st of each year to April 30th of each year. The golf cart must display the sticker on its windshield; and,
3. Insure the golf cart in compliance with KRS 304.39-080 and proof of insurance shall be inside the golf cart at all times.

Section 4

A person may operate a golf cart on a public roadway only if:

1. The golf cart does not exceed a speed of twenty-five (25) miles per hour;
2. The golf cart is only operated on streets with a posted speed limit twenty-five (25) per hour or less;
3. A golf cart operator may not cross an intersection where the intersecting roadway has a posted speed limit of more than thirty-five (35) miles per hour or more;
4. The golf cart operator must have a valid operator's license, and must have said valid operator's license in their possession;
5. The head lights and taillights are illuminated during operation.

Section 5

The golf cart and its occupants must comply with the Noise Ordinance of the City of Bellevue.

Section 6

Any person operating a golf cart on a public road shall be subject to the traffic regulations of KRS Chapter 189.

Section 7

A golf cart may only be parked on hard surface pavement in parking spaces and in parking spaces designated by the City in its parks. It may not be parked on City sidewalks.

Section 8

The driver of a golf cart must drive in the right hand lane unless making a left hand turn. If the golf cart is slowing the normal flow of traffic, the golf cart driver must yield to vehicles, where possible.

Section 9

The City Administrator shall be empowered to make new rules and regulations, or to amend existing rules and regulations regarding operation of gold carts in the City of Bellevue, subject to approval by City Council.

Section 10

All ordinances, resolutions or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

Section 11

That this Ordinance shall be in effect, when read, passed, and published according to law.

Charlie Cleves, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary H. Scott, City Clerk

First Reading:

Second Reading:

Publication: