



City of Forest City, Iowa

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**OWNER:**

Name

Signature

Date

**ADDRESS:**

Street Address

City/State

Zip

**VEHICLE:**

Type

Make

Model

**VIN/SERIAL #:**

**INSPECTION**

Proof of Liability Insurance

Company:

Policy #:

Brakes

SMV Sign

Safety Flag (minimum 5' from street surface)

Owner received copy of City Ordinance

**PERMIT #**

## CHAPTER 82

# ALTERNATIVE STREET VEHICLES (ASV)

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**82.01 MANNER OF OPERATION.** General requirements. No person shall operate a ASV in the City except as hereinafter provided. A ASV shall be defined as a golf cart or four-wheel utility vehicle with a single bench seat, 2 bucket seats or in-line seating.

**82.02 OBSERVANCE OF TRAFFIC REGULATIONS MANDATORY.** ASV operators shall observe all state and local traffic control regulations and devices.

**82.03 GOLF CART PERMIT REQUIRED.** No golf cart shall be operated in the City unless a permit from the Forest City Police Department has been issued to the owner. The permit received from the City must be with the golf cart whenever it is operated within the City. The permit is good for the calendar year within which it is issued and shall be renewed annually. The fee for said permit is \$5.00 per year. Prior to any initial or renewal permit being issued, the golf cart shall be inspected by a person designated by the City to make sure said golf cart complies with the requirements of this chapter. There shall be no permit issued if in the previous year the applicant was cited and convicted of any violations of this chapter.

*(Ord. 834 - Jan. 23 Supp.)*

**82.04 PROOF OF LIABILITY INSURANCE.** As part of the permit process, the owner of the golf car must provide proof of liability insurance with minimum limits of \$100,000 each person, \$300,000 each accident before a permit will be issued. The proof of insurance must be with the ASV whenever said ASV is in operation.

**82.05 STANDARD EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS.** All ASVs shall be equipped with the following:

1. Brakes.
2. Slow moving vehicle sign.
3. Bicycle safety flag on a staff holder to put such flag at least five feet above the surface of the street.
4. Any other safety equipment which may be required for ASVs by Chapter 321 of the Code of Iowa.

**82.06 OPERATION REGULATIONS.** The following regulations apply to the operation of a ASV within the City.

1. Any operator of a ASV must have a valid driver's license.
2. All riders in the ASV must remain seated at all times.

3. No more than two adult people may ride in the front seat of a ASV and no more than two adult people may ride in the backseat of a ASV, if said seat exists. While operating any rider must be seated on the seat and no part of the body of any rider will extend beyond the sides of the cart. Children must be accompanied by an adult driver and must follow all requirements of this subsection except the capacity limits as long as all children are seated on the seat and no part of the body of the child extends beyond the sides of the cart.

**82.07 TIMES OF OPERATION LIMITED.** ASVs without Iowa Department of Transportation approved headlights and tail lights may be operated during the following times:

1. From sunrise to sunset, during the time of year when daylight savings time is in effect.
2. ASVs are prohibited on streets during inclement weather when visibility is reduced or impaired by weather, smoke, fog or other conditions or at any other time there is insufficient light clearly to see a person or vehicle on a roadway at a distance of 500 feet.

ASVs with Iowa Department of Transportation approved headlights and taillights may be operated at any time.

**82.08 SIDEWALKS AND ADJACENT AREAS.**

1. No ASVs shall be operated upon the public sidewalk, nor shall they be operated upon that portion of the street located between the curb line and the sidewalk or property line, referred to as the "parking" except for purposes of crossing the same to a public street upon which operation is authorized by this Chapter.
2. Parking. two carts may use one parking space provided they both park within the parking space lines.

**82.09 STREETS UPON WHICH ASVS MAY BE OPERATED.** ASVs may only be operated on streets except ASVs are prohibited from being operated on the following streets, except to cross said streets:

1. U.S. Highway 69.
2. Iowa Highway 9.
3. Spring Valley Road.
4. Hancock County Road B-14.

**82.10 CARELESS OPERATION UNLAWFUL.** No person shall operate a ASV in a careless, reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger the person or property of another or to cause injury or damage thereto.

**82.11 OPERATING UNDER THE INFLUENCE.** No person shall operate ASV while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotics or habit-forming drugs.

**82.12 TOWING.** No item shall be towed by a ASV.

**82.13 TRESPASSING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY.** No ASV shall be operated upon private property without the express consent of the owner thereof.