ORDINANCE GUIDE – GOLF CARTS & OTHER NON-HIGHWAY VEHICLES

"PROPERLY EQUIPPED"

1. The Vehicle must be capable of attaining 20 miles per hour.
2. Required Safety Features: brakes, a steering apparatus, tires, a rearview mirror, red reflectorized warning devices in the front and rear, a slow moving emblem on the rear of the vehicle, a headlight that emits a white light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the front, a tail lamp that emits a red light visible at least 100 feet from the rear, brake lights, turn signals, a windshield and seat belts.

MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY

The maximum occupancy of properly equipped non-highway vehicles is limited to the number of seatbelts in the vehicle.

VEHICLE STICKER REQUIRED

Like all other vehicles in the Village, “properly equipped” non-highway vehicles are required to purchase a vehicle sticker by June 30th each year. These stickers cost $10, and are available at the Village Hall.

ROADS LIMITED

Although “properly equipped” non-highway vehicles (i.e. golf carts) may be operated on most roadways within the Village, they may not be driven on Route 14, Route 22 and Algonquin Road—except for the portion between Lexington Avenue and Lincoln Avenue.

A “properly equipped” non-highway vehicle is permitted to cross Route 14 only at its intersections with Lincoln Avenue and Foxmoor Road.

See map on reverse for more information.

NO OFF-ROAD OPERATION

A properly equipped non-highway vehicle shall be operated at all times in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Vehicle Code, and any other laws, regulations or ordinances governing the operation or parking of motor vehicles in the Village (e.g. no properly equipped non-highway vehicle may be operated on sidewalks or on park land—aside from areas accessible to other motor vehicles.

LICENSED DRIVERS ONLY

Any person who operates a properly equipped non-highway vehicle must possess a valid driver’s license to operate a motor vehicle issued by Illinois or any other state.

INSURANCE REQUIRED

The owner of any “properly equipped” non-highway vehicle shall continuously maintain liability insurance for the vehicle.

SUBJECT TO INSPECTION

All “properly equipped” non-highway vehicles registered, or proposed to be registered, pursuant to this article shall be subject to inspection by the Chief of Police, or his/her designee(s).

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

Non-highway vehicles must yield the right-of-way to faster traffic at all times.

Open alcohol containers are not permitted in any non-highway vehicle at any time.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about the ordinance, please feel free to contact Village Hall at 847-639-3170.