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## Chapter 11

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### 7-11-1: DEFINITIONS:

**GOLF CART:** A motorized vehicle with three (3) or four (4) wheels that is not designed to be operated at a speed of more than twenty five (25) miles per hour whose purpose can include, but is not limited to, playing golf and is generally designed to carry persons including a driver.

**UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE:** A self-propelled, electrically powered, four-wheel motor vehicle or self-propelled, gasoline or diesel powered four-wheel motor vehicle with an engine displacement under one thousand two hundred (1,200) cubic centimeters, which is capable of attaining a speed of no more than fifteen (15) miles per hour.

**VILLAGE STREETS:** Any of the streets or alleys dedicated within the boundaries of the village of Maple Park with a maximum speed limit of twenty five (25) miles per hour. (Ord. 2011-01, 1-4-2011)

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### 7-11-2: REQUIREMENTS:

All persons wishing to operate a golf cart or a utility terrain vehicle on the streets under the jurisdiction of the village of Maple Park must ensure compliance with the following requirements:

- A. Proof Of Current Insurance: Driver must carry proof with the vehicle.
- B. Driver's License: Driver must have current valid government issued driver's license.
- C. Age Requirement: Driver must be of the age of eighteen (18).
- D. Required Equipment: Golf carts and utility terrain vehicles must be equipped as follows:
  - 1. Brakes and brake lights;
  - 2. A steering wheel apparatus;
  - 3. Tires;
  - 4. Rearview mirror;
  - 5. Approved "slow moving vehicle" emblem on the rear of the vehicle<sup>1</sup>;
  - 6. Headlight that emits a white light visible from a distance of three hundred feet (300') to the front of which must be illuminated when in operation;
  - 7. Taillamp that emits a red light visible from a distance of at least one hundred feet (100') from the rear which must be illuminated when in operation;
  - 8. Any additional requirements which may be required by 625 Illinois Compiled Statutes 5/11-1426.1, as amended.
- E. Occupants: The maximum number of occupants in such vehicles shall be deemed to correspond with the total number of seats available on the particular vehicle. (Ord. 2011-01, 1-4-2011)

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### **7-11-3: COMPLIANCE WITH TRAFFIC LAWS:**

Drivers of golf carts and utility terrain vehicles must comply with all applicable provisions of the Illinois vehicle code<sup>2</sup>, and with all traffic laws otherwise codified by this code. A person operating or in actual physical control of a golf cart or utility terrain vehicle as described herein on a roadway is subject to 625 Illinois Compiled Statutes 5/11-500, 5/11-501, and 5/11-502. (Ord. 2011-01, 1-4-2011)

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#### **7-11-4: OPERATION WITHIN VILLAGE:**

- A. Prohibited: Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to drive or operate a nonhighway vehicle upon any street, highway, or roadway in the village of Maple Park.
  
- B. Permitted: Golf carts and utility terrain vehicles may only be operated on streets within the village of Maple Park which have a speed limit of twenty five (25) miles per hour. (Ord. 2011-01, 1-4-2011)

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#### **7-11-5: PENALTY:**

Violators of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to the general penalty set forth in [title 1, chapter 4](#) of this code. (Ord. 2011-01, 1-4-2011)