



ORDINANCE NO. 314

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING AND DEFINING THE USE OF UTV'S AND GOLF CARTS ON THE STREETS OF THE CITY OF ROMAN FOREST, TEXAS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROMAN FOREST, TEXAS:

Section 1: DEFINITION OF TERMS – the following words and terms, as used herein, have the meaning respectively ascribed to them in the Ordinance, as follows:

Utility Vehicles. UTV's

- a. Definition: Any motorized vehicle manufactured and used exclusively for off highway use, which is sixty-three inches or less in width, with an unladen dry weight of 1,850 pounds or less, traveling on four or six wheels.

Golf Carts

- a. Definition – Golf cart means a motor vehicle described by the manufacturer primarily for transporting persons on a golf course. A golf cart, which may be operated on the streets, roads and alleyways of the City shall be classified as a low-speed vehicle;
- b. The following must appear on the manufactured statement of origin (MSO);
- c. The body type must be specified as a low speed vehicle;
- d. All golf carts classified, as low-speed vehicles shall be manufactured in compliance with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration standards for low-speed vehicles. Golf carts operated on city streets shall conform to safety standards as outlined in 49 C.F.R. 571.500.

Section 2: Requirements for operating a utility vehicle within the City:

- a. Any individual operating a utility vehicle shall have a valid operator's or Chauffeur's license, **but is not required to pass an examination for the Operation of a motorcycle;**
- b. Any individual operating a utility vehicle shall be at least eighteen (17) years old;
- c. The utility vehicle shall be operated at a speed of less than 25 miles per hour (RsMo 304.034); and shall obey speed zones that may be less than 25 miles per hour;
- d. The golf cart shall have a triangular shaped sign, with an area not less than 30 square inches located on the rear of the vehicle;
- e. Notwithstanding other provisions of this ordinance, utility vehicles operated on city streets must comply with safety standards as outlined in 49 C.F.R. 571.500.

Section 3: No individual operating a utility vehicle shall:

- a. Operate the utility vehicle in any careless or imprudent manner so as to endanger any person or property of any person;
- b. Operate the golf cart on any federal or state road except to cross;

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c. No golf cart shall cross any federal or state highway at an intersection where the highway being crossed has a posted speed limit of more than thirty-five miles per hour.

Section 4: Requirements for operating golf carts on city streets, roads or alleyways within the City:

- a. Any individual operating a golf cart shall have a valid operator's or Chauffeur's license, but is not required to pass an examination for the operation of a motorcycle;
- b. Any individual operating a golf cart shall be at least eighteen (17) years old;
- c. Any individual riding in a golf cart under the age of 17 shall wear a properly fastened seat belt;
- d. The golf cart shall be operated at a speed of less than 25 miles per hour;
- e. The golf cart shall have a triangular shaped sign, with an area not less than 30 square inches located on the rear of the vehicle.

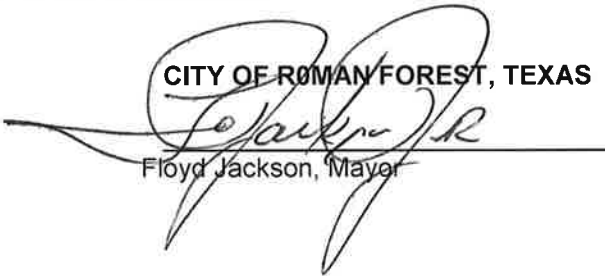
Section 5: No individual operating a golf cart shall:

- a. Operate the golf cart in any careless or imprudent manner so as to endanger any person or property of any person;
- b. Operate the golf cart between the hours of official sunset and sunrise, unless the golf cart is properly equipped with headlights and tail lights;
- c. Operate the golf cart on any federal or state road except to cross;
- d. No golf cart shall cross any federal or state highway at an intersection where the highway being crossed has a posted speed limit of more than thirty-five miles per hour.

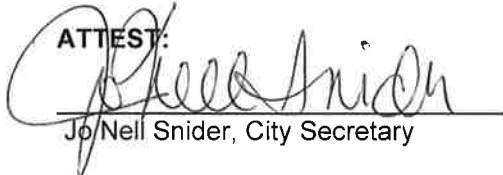
Section 6: This Ordinance is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 22 day of April, 2010

CITY OF ROMAN FOREST, TEXAS


Floyd Jackson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jo/Neil Snider, City Secretary

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