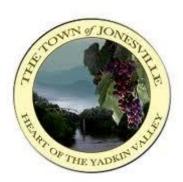
# TOWN OF JONESVILLE

# 1503 NC HWY 67 JONESVILLE, NC 28642 Phone 336-835-3426 Fax 336-835-3231



Effective June 10, 2024, the Town of Jonesville has put a Golf Cart Ordinance in place. Following are the procedures for obtaining a permit.

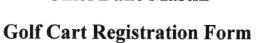
- 1. Read over the Golf Cart Ordinance attached.
- 2. Complete Registration Form and bring to Town Hall along with the non-refundable registration fee: \$48.00 for an annual permit / \$10.00 for a one-month permit
- 3. Make sure your golf cart meets inspection requirements stated in ordinance. If golf cart fails inspection there is no charge for the reinspection.
- 4. Call 336-835-5020 Monday-Friday between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm to schedule a time for your golf cart to be inspected by a Jonesville's police officer. Do not drive your golf cart to be inspected, it is against the law to drive the golf cart on public roads without a valid permit.
- 5. A valid permit must be visible, and a copy of the ordinance kept on the golf cart at all times while in use in the Town of Jonesville.
- 6. Remember to drive safe and follow all Town and State laws.



# Jonesville Police Department

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## **Chief Dane Mastin**



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|   |   | Rear View Mirror  |  |
| Parking Brake   | Elkin Registration  | on Sticker  |  |
| ordinance. Owner further a employees from any and all and further agrees to inder costs associated with any classification of Jonesville, included the Town of Jonesville, included the ordinance result in revocation of my page 15. | agrees to release and all liability, be it in too mify the Town, its' laim or lawsuit derive luding but not limite or NC Motor Vehicoermit. | and agree to the terms and conditional hold harmless the Town, its' offict, contract or any other theory we officials and employees from any ing from the operator's use of a god to, attorney's fees and court costle laws by any driver of my cart costle | cials and hatsoever, and all solf cart in start. |
| Owner Signature / Date:   |   |   |  |
| Permit #:   | Туре:   | Valid Thru:   |  |
| Permit approved by:   |   | Date  |  |







### (A)PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance shall be to establish a Golf Cart Ordinance within the Town of Jonesville, NC while also promoting the health, safety and welfare of the person operating the golf cart as well as protect the safety of their passengers. This plan is also aimed to promote tourism to our area.

### (B)DEFINITIONS

- Golf Cart: A vehicle designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting or recreational purposes and that is not capable of exceeding speeds of 20 MPH. G.S. 20-4.01(12a).
- 2. Driver's License: A valid license issued to operate a motor vehicle issued by North Carolina or any other state.
- 3. Financial Responsibility: Liability insurance coverage on a golf cart in an amount not less than required by North Carolina law for motor vehicles operated on public highways in the State of North Carolina.
- 4. Operator: Only persons 16 years of age or older and holding a valid driver's license may operate a golf cart on roads.

# Section 1: Rules and Regulations

This ordinance is to establish guidance in the interest of public safety. Golf carts hereinafter:

- 1. Golf carts shall not be operated on or alongside a public road or street with a posted speed limit greater than 35 miles per hour.
- 2. Golf carts may cross a road with a posted speed limit greater than 35 mph. However, once this segment of road has been transversed, the golf cart is still required to travel only on or along a roadway with a speed limit of 35 mph or less. Golf carts must cross in a manner that is the most direct route in order to decrease crossing distance, i.e. no riding Along a road or crossing at an angle. Under no circumstance is a golf cart allowed to cross a control access facility other than at bridges which cross over or under a control access facility.
- 3. Any person who operates a golf cart must be responsible for all liability associated with operation of the golf cart and must have liability insurance coverage which will cover the use of a golf cart in an amount not less than required by North Carolina law for motor vehicles operated on public highways in the State of North Carolina.

- 4. Any person who operates a golf cart must be at least sixteen (16) years of age or older. No person may operate a golf cart unless that person is licensed to drive upon the public streets, roads and highways of North Carolina and then, only in accordance with such valid driver's license. Golf cart operators must carry their driver's license on their person at all times while operating a golf cart on public roads.
- 5. Any person who operates a golf cart on public streets and roads must adhere to all applicable State and local laws, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to those banning the possession and use of alcoholic beverages, and all other illegal drugs. In addition, no golf cart containing any open container of alcohol shall be operated on public roads.
- The operator of the golf cart shall comply with all traffic rules and regulations adopted by the State of North Carolina and the County/Town/City which governs the operation of motor vehicles.
- 7. An operator may not allow the number of people in the golf cart at any one time to exceed the maximum capacity specified by the manufacturer. The operator shall not allow passengers to ride on any part of a golf cart not designed to carry passengers, such as the part of the golf cart designed to carry golf bags.
- 8. Golf carts must be operated at the right edge of the roadway and must yield to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic.
- 9. Golf carts must park in designated spaces in such a manner that multiple golf carts can utilize the space. All parking rules and limits apply. No parking on sidewalks is allowed.
- 10. Golf carts must have basic equipment supplied by the manufacturer, including a vehicle identification or serial number. Such equipment must include all safety devices as installed by said manufacturer, including rear view mirror and a rear triangle reflector of the same type required by North Carolina law
- 11. Golf carts must be equipped with operating headlights, taillights and brake lights.
  - a) Lights must be visible from a distance of 500 feet.
  - b) If a mechanical turn signal indicator is not installed, then hand signals are required for turns.
- 12. Golf cart must be equipped with a rear triangle reflector.
- 13. Golf carts must be equipped with a noise signaling device (horn).

# Section 2: Registration, Inspection and Fee Prior to Usage

- 1. Any golf cart that needs to be registered must be brought to the Jonesville Town Hall or any approved inspection location to be inspected and approved for driving on public roads.
- 2. Proof of insurance, a completed registration form, and a completed Waiver of Liability, releasing the Town of Jonesville from liability that may arise as a result of operation of a golf cart inside Town. These documents must be in the golf cart at all times while in operation on public roads.
- 3. All golf carts must meet the requirements or minimum standards of safety equipment as set forth above in this Ordinance.
- 4. All golf cart operators must present a valid driver/s license while operating a golf cart on a public road.

- 5. The registration sticker shall be valid for no more than 1 year and must be visible on a golf cart operated on a public road.
- 6. Lost or Stolen Permit/Stickers are the responsibility of the owner and must be replaced before the golf cart is operated on a public road.
- 7. Yearly registration fee is \$48 (Expires same day of the following year).
- 8. Monthly registration fee is \$10 (Expires same day of the following month).
- 9. Elkin golf cart permits will be honored in Jonesville. However, Operator must still obtain a Jonesville permit which will be provided at no charge and with no additional inspection provided upon providing proof of a valid golf cart permit from Elkin. Operator acknowledges receipt of this Ordinance and agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of this Ordinance when operating a golf cart in Jonesville.

### **Section 3: Enforcement**

- A violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall constitute an infraction in accordance with Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the maximum penalty for which shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
- 2. A second violation of the provisions of this Ordinance will result in revocation of the permit for a period of one (1) year.
- 3. A third violation of the provisions of this Ordinance will result in permanent revocation of the permit and the permit holder will not be allowed to operate another golf cart owned by anyone on the roads of Jonesville.

Adopted this 10th day of June, 2024

### Operation of Golf Carts on Public Streets in North Carolina Legislation

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2009 SESSION LAW 2009-459

**HOUSE BILL 121** 

AN ACT TO ALLOW ALL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO REGULATE GOLF CARTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1**. Chapter 153A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

#### "§ 153A-245. Regulation of golf carts on streets, roads, and highways.

- (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 20-50 and G.S. 20-54, a county may, by ordinance, regulate the operation of golf carts, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(12a), on any public street, road, or highway where the speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less within the county that is located in any unincorporated areas of the county or on any property owned or leased by the county.
- (b) By ordinance, a county may require the registration of golf carts, charge a fee for the registration, specify who is authorized to operate golf carts, and specify the required equipment, load limits, and the hours and methods of operation of golf carts. No person less than 16 years of age may operate a golf cart on a public street, road, or highway."

SECTION 2. G.S. 160A-300.5 is repealed.

**SECTION 3.** Chapter 160A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

#### "§ 160A-300.6. Regulation of golf carts on streets, roads, and highways.

- (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 20-50 and G.S. 20-54, a city may, by ordinance, regulate the operation of golf carts, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(12a), on any public street, road, or highway where the speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less within its municipal limits or on any property owned or leased by the city.
- (b) By ordinance, a city may require the registration of golf carts, charge a fee for the registration, specify who is authorized to operate golf carts, and specify the required equipment, load limits, and the hours and methods of operation of golf carts. No person less than 16 years of age may operate a golf cart on a public street, road, or highway."

**SECTION 4.** Section 6 of S.L. 2001-356 is repealed.

**SECTION 5.** Section 1 of S.L. 2003-124, as amended by S.L. 2004-58, S.L. 2007-204, and S.L. 2007-259, reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 20-50 and G.S. 20-54, the Towns of Beech Mountain, North Topsail Beach, and Seven Devils, and the City of Conover may, by ordinance, regulate the operation of golf carts and utility vehicles on any public street or road within the City or Town. By ordinance, the City or Town may require the registration of golf carts and utility vehicles, specify the persons authorized to operate golf carts and utility vehicles, and specify required equipment, load limits, and the hours and methods of operation of the golf carts and utility vehicles."

**SECTION 6.** Section 1 of S.L. 2005-11, as amended by S.L. 2007-18, is repealed.

**SECTION 7**. Section 3 of S.L. 2005-11, as amended by S.L. 2006-149, S.L.

2006-152, and S.L. 2007-18, reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 3. Section 1 of this act applies only to the Towns of Benson, Bladenboro,

Chadbourn, Clarkton, Elizabethtown, Four Oaks, Rose Hill and Tabor City. Section 2 of this act applies only to Moore County."

**SECTION 8.** Section 9.4 of the Charter for the Town of Cary, as enacted by Section 1 of S.L. 2005-117, is repealed.

**SECTION 9.** S.L. 2006-27, S.L. 2006-149, S.L. 2006-152, S.L. 2007-18, S.L. 2007-72,

S.L. 2007-336, and S.L. 2008-71 are repealed.

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**SECTION 10.** Section 5.2 of the Charter for the Town of Whispering Pines, as enacted by Section 1 of S.L. 2008-105, is repealed.

**SECTION 11.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2009. A county may adopt an ordinance under G.S. 153A-245, and a city may adopt an ordinance under G.S. 160A-300.6 when this act becomes law, but the ordinances may not become effective prior to October 1, 2009. The repeal herein of any act does not affect the rights or liabilities of a local government that arose during the time the act was in effect, or under an ordinance adopted under such an act. If any county or city had adopted an ordinance under any act repealed by this act, and the ordinance would be permitted under G.S. 153A-245 or G.S. 160A-300.6 as enacted by this act, that ordinance shall remain in effect until amended or repealed by that county or city.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 30th day of July, 2009.

s/ Marc Basnight

President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney

Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue

Governor

Approved 12:26 p.m. this 7th day of August, 2009