

# GRAND | HAVEN

## ALCOVY MOUNTAIN

### **GOLF CART RULES and REGULATIONS**

The standards noted herein apply to a resident's privately owned golf cart(s) when used within the Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain Community, including Association common areas, privately owned property, streets, sidewalks, and all other areas within Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain.

Golf cart or motorized vehicle operators must be at least sixteen (16) years of age and have a valid state-issued driver's license or at least 14 and accompanied in the passenger seat by a homeowner of the community.

#### **AREAS WHERE GOLF CARTS ARE PERMITTED:**

- On residential streets and parking lots throughout the Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain Community.
- Golf carts are subject to the same "rules of the road" commonly required of licensed motor vehicles.
- Failure to obey State/County traffic laws and commonly understood rules of the road may result in sanctions and fines imposed by the Association's Board.
- Golf carts will always be driven to the far-right side of the road, yielding to oncoming motor vehicles as well as those approaching from the rear, in a manner that allows them to safely pass.
- Golf carts may pass on the left of parked or slow-moving vehicles, returning to the far right of the street immediately thereafter.
- The number of passengers in a golf cart cannot exceed the cart's seating capacity.
- Golf cart operators are to use appropriate turn signals, or hand signals, as necessary when changing direction.

### **AREAS WHERE GOLF CARTS ARE NOT PERMITTED:**

- Golf Carts are not to be driven on private property without written approval of the Property Owner. No property owner shall be forced to give this permission.
- They are not to be driven on sidewalks and other walkways throughout the Community and those on or adjacent to Association facilities and recreation areas, such as the club house, tennis & pickle ball courts, pools, etc.
- They are not to be driven on turf (grass) and landscaped common areas within the Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain Community.
- They are not to be driven on any leisure or walking trail within Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain.
- Golf Cart owners are to not cause their golf carts to harm landscaping including the landscaping of their own yard. Common examples would be driving repeatedly over one area until the grass dies or driving over grass while it is wet and causing ruts in the landscaping.

### **EXCEPTIONS:**

- Understanding that Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain is an active 55+ community, we know some of our residents may have mobility challenges. To allow those members access to activities, we do allow those residents to drive their golf cart to the activity, even if it requires driving on the grass or sidewalks. This is only when the ground is not wet. Any damage that occurs as a result driving in these areas will be the responsibility of the golf cart owner to repair or the Association will have the repairs done and bill the owner of the golf cart.
- In some cases while doing maintenance on Association property, it may be advantageous to use a golf cart to haul materials or tools, in those limited situations again an exception is made. This is only when the ground is not wet. Any damage that occurs as a result driving in these areas will be the responsibility of the golf cart owner to repair or the Association will have the repairs done and bill the owner of the golf cart.

### **GOLF CART PARKING/STORAGE:**

- Aside from storing golf carts in the designated golf cart garage or regular garage, they may be stored on a concrete patio at the rear of the owner's home. They may not be stored on any landscaped surface, side of a house, or where they would be visible from the street.
- Golf Carts parked on a rear patio must be concealed by suitable landscaping and/or landscape that minimizes the ability to be seen from the street or by any immediately adjacent homeowners.
- Golf carts are not to be covered to conceal them with any type of tarp. Homeowners concerned about elements of weather should consider investing in a suitable Golf Cart canvas enclosure.
- Golf cart parking is available in front of the clubhouse, but they may also be parked in regular parking lots during daylight hours. Operators should make an effort to double-up with another cart rather than take up an entire parking spot in any Community parking area.
- Golf carts may be parked in a driveway during daylight hours. They may not be left in a driveway or on any street or parking lot overnight.

### **DAMAGE OR INJURY CAUSED BY GOLF CART OPERATION:**

- In the case of damage sustained to Association property, the Association reserves the right to cure the damage and bill the responsible owner for all associated costs.
- Golf Cart owners who create any type of damage to grass and/or landscaped areas on any private property, whether it be their own or that of a neighbor, will also be responsible for making prompt repairs, at the golf cart owner's expense.
- Golf Cart owners agree to hold the Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain Community Association harmless against any type of lawsuits, legal or administrative proceedings and actions, and liability of any type resulting from the misuse or negligent operation of a golf cart withing the Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain Community.

- Golf cart owners will be responsible for any damage or injury caused by any operator of the owner’s golf cart.

**SAFETY EQUIPMENT FOR GOLF CARTS”**

At a minimum, all golf carts must be equipped with rear view mirror, a reliable steering apparatus, efficient and effective brakes, safe tires, and either red reflectorized warning devices or lamps in the front and rear as described below:

- Turn signals are highly recommended. In the absence of them, the use of standard hand signals is mandatory.
- Headlights and taillights are also highly encouraged. Without them, the golf cart may not be used anywhere in Grand Haven at Alcovy Mountain after sundown or before sunrise.
- Gold carts may be operated at night with the following equipment:
  - Headlights
  - Taillights

**I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE RULES & REGULATIONS FOR GOLF CARTS AS STATED ABOVE.**

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**HOMEOWNER SIGNATURE** **DATE SIGNED**

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**STREET ADDRESS**