

**VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY
GOLF CART REGISTRATION FORM**

Owner's Name: _____
(Owner must be 18 years of age)

Address: _____

City, State Zip _____

Telephone: _____

Driver's License No. _____
(Copy of Driver's License attached.)

Additional Drivers _____

Driver's License No. _____

Additional Drivers _____

Driver's License No. _____
(Attach an additional page, if necessary. Copy of Driver's License(s) attached.)

Golf Cart Permit no.: _____

Insurance information provided yes (attached) no (deny application)

Permittee acknowledges the following in order to receive this permit:

Legislative Intent: It is the intent of this section to permit and regulate the operation of golf carts upon the designated streets of the village, during non-restricted hours by licensed drivers operating golf carts which have passed a safety inspection. This article is adopted to address the interest of public safety. Golf carts, also known as GCVs, are to be regulated to address safety issued. Adoption of this article is not to be relied upon as a determination that operation of the GCV or golf cart on roads is safe or advisable. All persons who operate or ride in golf carts, GCVs, on roads do so at their risk and peril, and must be observant of, and attentive to the safety of themselves and others, including their passengers, other motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians. The village has no liability under any theory of law for permitting golf cars, GCVs to be operated on roads under this chapter. Any person who operates a golf cart, GCV, is responsible for procuring liability insurance as required under this chapter, and Florida law, which requirement is a condition to using a golf cart, GCV, on the roads of the village.

Definitions: The following words and phrases when used in this chapter shall have the definitions respectively ascribed to them in this section. Whenever any words or phrases used in this chapter are not defined but are defined in the F.S., Ch. 316 and any amendments thereto, such definitions shall apply.

Designated streets means all streets within the village except Old Cutler Road, U.S. Highway 1 (a/k/a Palmetto Bay Parkway); SW 136 Street; SW 152nd Street; SW 168th Street; SW 184th Street; SW 67th Avenue; SW 77th Avenue; SW 87th Avenue; and SW 97th Avenue; (no use of Old Cutler Road or bridges permitted, except as specifically designated below).

Golf cart means a motor vehicle designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting or recreational purposes as defined in F.S. §316.003(68) and 320.01(22).

Permit. An official authorization designating that the golf cart to which the authorization is affixed meets the requirements of state law and the Village Code and/or code of adjacent municipalities.

Operation of golf cart: The operation of a golf cart within the Village of Palmetto Bay is strictly prohibited unless the golf cart is operated and equipped in full compliance with the rules and regulations provided herein.

Authorized use:

- (a) Licensed drivers may operate golf carts which have registered and been issued a permit by the village on all designated streets within the village or a neighboring jurisdiction's drivers on all designated streets of the village and must have all required equipment (in working order), as defined below.
- (b) A permit to use a golf cart on a designated street does not permit entry onto private property or semi-private property, including retail parking lots, private roads or common areas in condominiums. Access to these areas may be regulated by the property owners and/or property managers.

Prohibited use: The operation in the village of any golf cart in the following manner or under the following conditions is prohibited:

- (a) Without a valid, current driver's license;
- (b) Without a valid, current permit issued by the village or a neighboring jurisdiction and affixed to the golf cart in a conspicuous location;
- (c) In violation of state or county traffic and insurance regulations;
- (d) Anywhere on the roadway surface of Old Cutler Road, except to cross that thoroughfare at marked intersections or intersections regulated by a traffic signal upon the nondesignated streets solely for the purpose of reaching the immediately next intersection. The operation of golf carts upon nondesignated streets pursuant to this subsection;
- (e) Shall be subject to authorization from Miami-Dade County pursuant to F.S. §316.212(1);
- (f) On the sidewalks, swales or parks of the village;
- (g) Parking in violation of posted regulations;
- (h) Obstructing or interfering with normal traffic flow;
- (i) Carrying more occupants in a golf cart than the number of persons for whom factory seating is installed and provided on the golf cart;
- (j) Standing and extending body parts outside the perimeter of the golf cart while the golf cart is being operated; and
- (k) The operation of an ATV, as defined in F.S. § 317.0003, upon the public roads or streets is prohibited.

Registration:

- (a) All golf carts, GVCs, operated on village designated streets must first be registered through the village or through a neighboring jurisdiction and a registration sticker must be placed on the rear fender of the golf cart, GVC.
- (b) Registration of golf carts, GCVs, must be made by the owner who is at least 18 years of age.
- (c) The owner of the golf cart, GCV, will be charged an initial permit application/registration fee of \$50.00.
- (d) The renewal permit/registration fee thereafter shall be \$10.00.
- (e) Driving a golf cart without a current village registration will result in a noncriminal, civil citation of \$150.00.
- (f) A list of all golf carts, GCV, registrations will be maintained by the village.
- (g) Funds from registration fees will support costs of village administration of the golf cart, GCV, and registration stickers.
- (h) At registration, and annually thereafter, the applicant shall file a notarized, verified affidavit that the golf cart, GCV, being registered complies with all the conditions contained in this ordinance, including all safety requirements required under section 28-58. Failure to execute and provide the notarized, verified affidavit shall result in the village's rejection of the permit request.
- (i) The village shall issue a permit to a golf cart, GCV, which complies with all requirements identified herein. The permit shall be displayed in a conspicuous location on the golf cart, GCV.

- (j) Proof of insurance through a homeowner's policy of liability and property damage coverage shall be provided to the village, annually. Failure to provide proof of coverage shall result in termination of registration of the golf cart or GVC.

Required equipment: In order to be permitted for use in the village, a golf cart, GCV, is to be equipped with:

- (a) Efficient locking brakes;
- (b) Reliable steering apparatus;
- (c) Safe tires;
- (d) Rear view mirrors;
- (e) Red reflectorized warning devices, both in the front and the rear;
- (f) Front headlights, rear tail lights, and rear brake lights, meeting the minimum standards of F.S. §316.234(1);
- (g) Turn signals, meeting the minimum standards of F.S. §316.234(2);
- (h) Safety belts for drivers and passengers;
- (i) Reverse warning device;
- (j) Horn;
- (k) Safety labels;
- (l) Manufacturer's serial number plate; and
- (m) Windshield.

Operators: Drivers must hold a current, valid driver's license and insurance in order to operate a golf cart, GCV, upon the streets of the village.

Traffic laws:

- (a) Operators of golf carts, GCVs, using designated streets within the village are required to observe all applicable state and local traffic laws as if they were operating any other motor vehicle.
- (b) While traveling on designated streets, operators and passengers of golf carts, GCVs, must comply with applicable state law as to the requirements and usage of safety belts and child restraint equipment.
- (c) Owners and operators of golf carts shall comply with applicable state law pertaining to insurance requirements.
- (d) Golf carts, GCVs, may be ticketed for traffic violations in the same manner as motor vehicles.

Penalty: A violation of any provision of this chapter shall constitute a violation of Chapter 28 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Palmetto Bay. Upon a finding that an owner, lessee or operator of a golf cart, GCV, has violated any provision of this chapter, such person shall be subject to a noncriminal, civil citation not to exceed \$150.00 for each offense relating to a violation of this chapter, including but not limited to the failure to obtain a permit/registration, and as per Florida Statutes for every other violation of state law.

Enforcement: The village police department with the assistance of code compliance shall be responsible for enforcing these rules and regulations.

For Staff Use Only:

- \$50.00 Initial Registration Fee
- Copy of Insurance information attached
- Permit provided, number of permit noted

- \$10.00 Annual Renewal Fee
- Affidavit of Compliance executed
- Copy of driver's license for all drivers attached

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE)

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____,
who being duly sworn by me, on oath, deposes and says:

1. I am the owner of a golf cart and reside in the Village of Palmetto Bay.
2. I have read and am familiar with the provisions of the Villages Code of Ordinances (pages 1 through 3 of this application).
3. I hold a current driver's license and am at least 18 years of age.
4. I am filing this Affidavit of Compliance in order for the golf cart to be permitted for use in the Village. I certify that the golf cart that I own and intend to use has the following required equipment (in working order):
 - (a) Efficient locking brakes;
 - (b) Reliable steering apparatus;
 - (c) Safe tires;
 - (d) Rear view mirrors;
 - (e) Red reflectorized warning devices, both in the front and the rear;
 - (f) Front headlights, rear tail lights, and rear brake lights, meeting the minimum standards of F.S. §316.234(1);
 - (g) Turn signals, meeting the minimum standards of F.S. §316.234(2);
 - (h) Safety belts for drivers and passengers;
 - (i) Reverse warning device;
 - (j) Horn;
 - (k) Safety labels;
 - (l) Manufacturer's serial number plate; and
 - (m) Windshield.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that to the best of my knowledge, the above statements are true and correct. I understand that the penalties for perjury may consist of a fine or imprisonment or both.

Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Affiant is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public, State of Florida

Printed name of Notary

My Commission expires: