



ORDINANCE NO. 627-06-2018
CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI,
TO ALLOW THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS
ON CERTAIN PUBLIC ROADS AND STREETS WITHIN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Legislature passed Senate Bill 3026 during the 2018 regular session. See Exhibit "A" attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 3026 allows the legal use of golf carts on public roads and streets within the City of Bay St. Louis with a speed limit of twenty-five (25) miles per hour or less; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bay St. Louis desires to pass an ordinance to regulate the lawful operation of Golf Carts and Low-speed Vehicles, as described herein, on public roads and streets within city limits; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 82, Article VIII is hereby created to read as follows:

Sec. 82-425. Definitions. The following term and phrase, when used in this chapter, shall have the meaning ascribed to it in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Golf Cart means a motor vehicle that is designated and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting and recreational purposes and that is not capable of exceeding speeds of twenty-five (25) miles per hour and is equipped with a parking brake, head lamps, tail lamps, seat belts, rear view mirror, horn, a Reflective Triangle as defined herein, and front and rear turn signals.

Low-speed Vehicle means any four-wheeled electric or gasoline-powered vehicle is



capable of a top speed greater than twenty (20) miles per hour, but less than twenty-five (25) miles per hour and is equipped with a parking brake, head lamps, tail lamps, seat belts, rear view mirror, horn, a Reflective Triangle as defined herein, and front and rear turn signals.

Reflective Triangle is a reflective "slow moving vehicle" sign that is mounted to the rear of the Golf Cart or Low-speed Vehicle and is clearly visible at all times. The Reflective Triangle must be a minimum of 12 inches by 12 inches.

Sec. 82-426. Areas of City of Bay St. Louis where Golf Carts and Low-speed Vehicles may be used; requirements for drivers of Golf carts and Low-speed Vehicles; operation of Golf carts and Low-speed Vehicles; and violation of traffic laws.

- (1) Golf carts and Low-speed Vehicles may only be operated on public roads and streets with a speed limit of twenty-five (25) miles per hour or less.
- (2) Drivers are required to operate Golf carts and Low-speed Vehicles only in the outside lane of multi-lane streets and roads, when applicable.
- (3) Any person operating a Golf cart or Low-speed Vehicles on City public roads and streets must have in his or her possession a valid driver's license from Mississippi or another state, proof of insurance, as per Section 63-7-91, Mississippi Code of 1972, and must also follow the applicable requirements of Section 63-15-1, *et seq.*, Mississippi Code of 1972.
- (4) Violation of state or local traffic laws and/or regulations of this Ordinance may result in issuance of traffic citations in the same manner as if the infraction occurred while operating a vehicle.

Sec. 82-427. U.S. Highway 90 Intersections Which Allow for the crossing of Golf Carts or Low-speed Vehicles

Golf Carts and Low-speed Vehicles may not be operated on U.S. Highway 90 or Mississippi Highway 603. The following are the ONLY intersections which are equipped with red lights that Golf Carts and Low-speed Vehicles will be allowed to cross over U.S. Highway 90:

- a) Signalized intersection at Highway 90 and Beach Boulevard,
- b) Signalized Intersection at Highway 90 and Dunbar Avenue,
- c) Signalized Intersection at Highway 90 and Main Street/Blue Meadow Road,
- d) Signalized Intersection at Highway 90 and Drinkwater Road,
- e) Signalized intersection at Highway 90 and Washington Street, and
- f) Signalized intersection at Highway 90 and Bouslog Street.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall become effective as provided by law.

After being reduced to writing, the foregoing Ordinance Number 627-06-2018 was read and considered, section by section, and then as a whole, whereupon Councilman Smith moved for its adoption, and after a second by Councilman Seal, the following roll call vote was had:

Council Member Gene Hoffman	✓YEA / NAY
Council Member Doug Seal	✓YEA / NAY
Council Member Jeffrey Reed	✓YEA / NAY
Council Member Larry Smith	✓YEA / NAY
Council Member Buddy Zimmerman	YEA / NAY ✓
Council Member Josh DeSalvo	✓YEA / NAY
Council Member Gary Knoblock	✓YEA / NAY

Passed by the City Council of the City of Bay St. Louis on the 5th day of June, 2018.

CERTIFICATION

I, Sissy Gonzales, Municipal Clerk for the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance Number 627-06-2018 was approved and adopted in the public meeting of the City Council held on June 5, 2018, 2018 a quorum being present, in the City Council Conference Chambers and to be published according to Mississippi Code, said Council being the duly elected, qualified, and acting governing body of Bay St. Louis.

Presented by me to the Mayor on this, the 6th day of June, 2018.

Sissy Gonzales
Sissy Gonzales, Municipal Clerk
City of Bay Saint Louis

Approved and signed by a majority of the Bay Saint Louis City Council on this, the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Approved and signed by me on this, the 6 day of June, 2018.

Mike Favre
Mike Favre, Mayor
City of Bay Saint Louis

[AFFIX PROOF OF PUBLICATION]