



VILLAGE OF HARTSBURG, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-0512

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS, ATVs, AND UTVs ON VILLAGE STREETS IN THE VILLAGE OF HARTSBURG, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Hartsburg, Logan County, Illinois, deem it in the best interest of the Village and its residents to permit and regulate the use of golf carts, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), and utility task vehicles (UTVs) on Village streets to promote public safety and orderly transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/11-1426.1) permits municipalities to allow and regulate the operation of non-highway vehicles, including golf carts, ATVs, and UTVs on public roadways under certain conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Hartsburg, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION I: Definitions

“Golf Cart” means a vehicle designed and intended for the purpose of transporting individuals and equipment on a golf course and that is not capable of exceeding 25 miles per hour.

“ATV (All-Terrain Vehicle)” means a motorized off-highway device designed to travel primarily off-road with four low-pressure tires, a seat designed to be straddled by the operator, and handlebars for steering.

“UTV (Utility Task Vehicle)” means a motorized off-highway vehicle with four or more wheels designed for off-road use with a steering wheel and bench or bucket seating.

Throughout this ordinance these shall be referred to as ‘vehicle(s)’ here after.

SECTION II: Operation Authorization and Limitations

1. Golf carts, ATVs, and UTVs may only be operated on Village streets under the jurisdiction of the Village of Hartsburg.

2. Operation is permitted only between sunrise and sunset, unless the vehicle is equipped with headlights and taillights.
3. These vehicles may not be operated during hazardous weather conditions or when visibility is impaired.
4. Vehicle(s) shall not operate directly on Historic Old RTE 121. Vehicles are permitted to make a direct crossing of Historic Old RTE 121 at the intersection of North Second St and Historic Old RTE 121 as shown in diagram below.



SECTION III: Equipment Requirements

Each vehicle operated on Village streets must be equipped with the following:

- Brakes
- Brake Lights
- Four or more tires
- Rearview or sideview mirror(s)
- Slow-moving vehicle emblem in the rear of the “Vehicle” (as required by 625 ILCS 5/12-709)
- Headlights and taillights (if operated after dark)
- Working horn
- Seatbelts (if factory-installed)
- Windshield or eye protection for the driver and passengers (if no windshield is present)



SECTION IV: Permit and Registration

No person shall operate a vehicle within the Village without first obtaining a permit. Permit stickers must be visible. Permits expire on April 30 each year. The fee is \$40.00 annually.

Applications Must Include:

- Name and address of owner and operators
- Insurance carrier and policy number for the permitted vehicle
- Copy of driver's license for each operator
- Vehicle description and VIN

Conditions for Issuance:

- Vehicle inspection and approval
- Proof of insurance for the permitted vehicle
- Valid driver's licenses for all operators

Annual Renewal Requirements:

- Safety reinspection
- Updated insurance and licenses (if expired)
- Prorated fee discounts for late purchase (\$3.33 per month)

SECTION V: Operator Requirements

1. Operators must be at least 16 years old with a valid driver's license.
 2. Compliance with all traffic laws is required.
 3. No operation under the influence of alcohol or drug
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SECTION IV: Enforcement and Penalties

Violations may result in revocation or non-renewal of permits. Fines are \$30.00 for first offense, \$50.00 for subsequent offenses. Failure to renew results in a fine of 2x the annual permit fee.

SECTION V: Severability

If any section is invalid, the remainder shall remain in force.

SECTION VI: Effective Date

Effective immediately upon passage, approval, and publication.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Village Board of the Village of Hartsburg this 12th of May, 2025.

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

APPROVED:

Mayor, Village of Hartsburg

ATTEST:

Village Clerk



Small Town, Big Heart



Golf Cart/ATV/UTV Safety Checklist

Check each box or N/A

- ☐ Brakes
- ☐ Brake Lights
- ☐ Four or more tires
- ☐ Rearview or sideview mirror(s)
- ☐ Slow-moving vehicle emblem in the rear of the "Vehicle(s)"
- ☐ Headlights and taillights (if operated after dark)
- ☐ Working horn
- ☐ Seatbelts (if factory-installed)
- ☐ Windshield/if not equipped, operator and passengers must wear eye protection
- ☐ Copy of application for permit given to applicant
- ☐ Copy of ordinance given to applicant
- ☐ Copy of Driver's License
- ☐ Copy of Liability Insurance for the permit "Vehicle"
- ☐ Copy of Driver's License of each additional operator

**Application for Village of Hartsburg Golf Cart, UTV, & ATV
USE PERMIT
Term: 1 year Fee: \$40 (Cash or Check Payable to Village of Hartsburg)**

Permit Number (Official Use Only)

Applicant Information

Name _____ DOB _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email Address _____
Driver's License# _____ State _____
DL Expiration Date _____

Insurance Information

Comapny _____
Policy Number and Description of permit "Vehicle"

Expiration Date _____

Golf Cart, UTV, ATV Information

Make _____ Model _____
S/N or VIN _____ Color _____

Additional Operator Information

Name _____ DOB _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Driver's License# _____ State _____
DL Expiration Date _____

Disclosure

"I acknowledge that I have applied to the Village of Hartsburg, Illinois (the "Village") for a permit to operate a Golf Cart, UTV, & ATV (the "Vehicle") within the Village. I hereby agree to assume the full risk of any damage or injury to person or property which may be sustained as a result of the operation of the Vehicle and to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Village for any and all costs, losses, expenses or damages incurred by the Village (including attorney fees and costs) as a result of the operation of the Vehicle. I hereby waive and relinquish all claims which I now have or may subsequently have as a result of the operation of the Vehicle, and fully release and discharge the Village and its officers, employees, agents, members and servants, from any claims that may arise from the operation of the Vehicle.

I have received, read and understand the "VILLAGE OF Hartsburg Golf Cart, UTV, & ATV ORDINANCE". I have paid the permit fee for the above Vehicle. I also understand that the Village of Hartsburg interpretation of all the rules and regulations are final. I will ensure that any assigned proof of compliance will remain attached to the Vehicle at all times. I furthermore ensure that I will obey all the rules and regulations set forth by the Village of Hartsburg concerning the operation of a Vehicle with the Village limits."

Applicant Signature

X _____ Date _____

Inspected By

Name (Printed) _____
Signature _____ Date _____