



Golf Carts, Low & Under-speed Vehicles FAQ

Q. Who can have their vehicle/golf carts inspected?

A. Any Miami Township resident who has a vehicle that qualifies.

Q. What do I need to do to get my vehicle/golf cart inspected?

A. Call Miami Township Police Department at 513-248-2731 Monday-Friday 8 AM-4 PM and ask to speak to an officer about scheduling an inspection appointment.

Q. Where can I get my vehicle/golf cart inspected?

A. The appointment can be made to bring the vehicle/golf cart to the police department, or we can make the appointment to come to your house.

Q. How much does the inspection cost?

A. We do not charge a fee to inspect your vehicle/golf cart.

Q. What equipment is required for the vehicle/golf cart to pass inspection?

A. Brakes, two brake lights, two headlights, two taillights, turn signals, steering mechanism, windshield, rearview mirror, tires in safe condition. Ohio DPS Form 1373

Q. What do I do once the vehicle/golf cart is inspected?

A. You will take the inspection form to the title office to get a title for the vehicle, and then to the BMV for license plates.

Q. Once my vehicle/golf cart is titled and licensed who can drive it?

A. Any licensed driver obeying all Ohio traffic laws.

Q. Can my 14-year-old drive my golf cart?

A. No, only licensed drivers can operate the golf cart on the roadway.

Q. What streets can I drive my vehicle/golf cart on?

A. Any Miami Township Street with a speed limit of 25 mph or lower.

Q. Can I only drive during daylight hours?

A. The law does not have time restrictions attached.

Q. Do I need insurance?

A. Once licensed, you must have insurance. Most companies will add it to your vehicle or homeowner's policy.

Q. What types of vehicles qualify as under-speed, low-speed, mini truck, or utility vehicle allowed by the resolution?

A. "**Under-speed vehicle**" means a three- or four-wheeled vehicle, including a vehicle commonly known as a golf cart, with an attainable speed on a paved level surface of not more than twenty miles per hour and with a gross vehicle weight rating less than three thousand pounds.

"Low-speed vehicle" means a three- or four-wheeled motor vehicle with an attainable speed in one mile on a paved level surface of more than twenty miles per hour but not more than twenty-five miles per hour and with a gross vehicle weight rating less than three thousand pounds.

"Mini-truck" means a vehicle that has four wheels, is propelled by an electric motor with a rated power of seven-thousand five-hundred watts or less or an internal combustion engine with a piston displacement capacity of six-hundred sixty cubic centimeters or less, has a total dry weight of nine hundred to two-thousand two hundred pounds, contains an enclosed cabin and a seat for the vehicle operator, resembles a pickup truck or van with a cargo area or bed located at the rear of the vehicle, and was not originally manufactured to meet federal motor vehicle safety standards.

"Utility vehicle" means a self-propelled vehicle designed with a bed, principally for the purpose of transporting material or cargo in connection with construction, agricultural, forestry, grounds maintenance, lawn and garden, materials handling, or similar activities.

Q. Can I get my side-by-side licensed?

A. Not under this Resolution. The Clermont County Title Office does not recognize a side-by-side under this law for roadway usage if marked AT – off road use only.

Q. I've had the speed regulator removed or adjusted and my golf cart goes more than 20 MPH, can I get it licensed?

A. No, if your golf cart goes faster than 20 MPH, it is no longer street legal.