

ORDINANCE NO. 1806

AN ORDINANCE OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS, AMENDING ARTICLE 1. STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE, OF CHAPTER XIV. TRAFFIC, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS, PROVIDING REGULATIONS GOVERNING OPERATION OF WORK-SITE UTILITY VEHICLES, MICRO UTILITY TRUCKS AND GOLF CARTS ON STREETS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS, AS ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 1529, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1543, 1544, 1547 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS:

Section 1. That Article 1. Standard Traffic Ordinance, of Chapter XIV. Traffic, of the Code of the City of Wamego, Kansas, be and the same is hereby amended by addition of new Paragraphs 14-105 through 14-110, to read as follows:

"14-105           SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES; DEFINITIONS. As used in this article, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this Paragraph, except when the context requires otherwise.

(a) "Golf cart" means a motor vehicle that has not less than three wheels in contact with the ground, an unladen weight of not more than 1,800 pounds, is designed to be operated at not more than 25 miles per hour and is designed to carry not more than four persons, including the driver.

(b) "Micro utility truck" means any motor vehicle which is not less than 48 inches in width, has an overall length, including the bumper, of not more than 160 inches, has an unladen weight, including fuel and fluids, of more than 1,500 pounds, can exceed 40 miles per hour as originally manufactured and is manufactured with a metal cab. "Micro utility truck" does not include a work-site utility vehicle.

(c) "Special purpose vehicle" means golf cart, micro utility truck and work-site utility vehicle, either individually or collectively.

(d) "Work-site utility vehicle" means any motor vehicle which is not less than 48 inches in width, has an overall length, including the bumper, of not more than 135 inches, has an unladen weight, including fuel and fluids, of more than 800 pounds and is equipped with four or more low pressure tires, a steering wheel and bench or bucket type seating allowing at least two people to sit side-by-side, and may be equipped with a bed or cargo box for hauling materials. "Work-site utility vehicle" does not include a micro utility truck. Commonly referred to as a UTV.

- 14-106 SAME; SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLE OPERATION ON CITY STREETS; SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS ON OPERATION. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a golf cart: (1) On any interstate highway, federal highway or state highway;(2) on any public highways, streets, roads and alleys within the corporate limits of the city unless authorized by such city; or (3) on any street or highway with a posted speed limit greater than 30 miles per hour. However, the provisions of this subparagraph shall not prohibit a golf cart from crossing a federal or state highway with a posted speed limit greater than 30 miles per hour. (4) Golf carts shall not be operated on any public highway, street, road or alley between sunset and sunrise.
- 14-107 SAME; VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE REQUIRED; PENALTY; DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. (a) No person shall operate a special purpose vehicle on any interstate highway, federal highway or state highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the city unless authorized by such city. (b) Any operator of such special purpose vehicle must have a valid driver's license. (c) Every person operating a work-site utility vehicle on the public highways, streets, roads and alleys of the city shall be subject to all the duties applicable to a driver of a vehicle imposed by law.
- 14-108 SAME; INSURANCE REQUIRED; PENALTY. (a) Every owner of a special purpose vehicle shall provide liability coverage in accordance with city and state requirements.
- 14-109 SAME; REGISTRATION AND LICENSE; FEE; APPLICATION; INSPECTION. Before operating any special purpose utility vehicle on any public highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the city, the vehicle shall be registered with the city office and display a valid registration decal affixed and displayed in such a manner as to be clearly visible from the rear of the vehicle. The application shall be made upon forms provided by the city and each application shall contain the name of the owner, the owner's residence address, or bona fide place of business, a brief description of the vehicle to be registered (including make, model and serial number, if applicable). Proof of insurance, as required under paragraph 14-110 shall be furnished at the time of application for registration. The annual registration fee for a special purpose vehicle shall be \$25.00. The full amount of the license fee shall be required regardless of the time of year that the application is made. The license issued hereunder is not transferable.
- 14-110 SAME; PENALTY. Unless specifically provided for herein, a violation of this article shall be deemed an ordinance traffic infraction.

Section 2. The ordinance shall amend Section 12-514 for the Wamego City Code to (a) Motor Vehicles, including any vehicle licensed to operate on public streets, roads and highways and motorbikes, special purpose vehicles, go-carts snowmobiles, off-road vehicles shall be always operated in a safe manner on park roadways. (b) Except as provided in division (c) below, it shall be unlawful for any person to drive any motor driven vehicle over or across any portion of the city parks or public grounds where decorative vegetation or grass exists except on designated drives and parking areas. (c) It shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle in any park area unless it is being driven by city staff for maintenance or emergency purposes or as part of the set up or maintenance of a city commission approved or sponsored event.

Section 3. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication in the City's official paper, The Wamego Times.

The above and foregoing Ordinance passed and adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024.

ATTEST:



Richard L Weixelman  
Richard Weixelman, Mayor

Shanda Jahnke  
Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk