

DIVISION 2. - LICENSE AND REGISTRATION

Sec. 34-138. - Valid driver's license required; penalty; duties and responsibilities. No person shall operate a special purpose vehicle on any public highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the city unless such person has a valid driver's license, subject to the restrictions imposed by statute upon that license, and have reached a minimum of 16 years of age. Violation of this section is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 34-139. - Registration and license; fee; application; inspection; penalty.

Before operating any special purpose vehicle on any public highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the city and each calendar year thereafter, the vehicle shall be registered with the city and a license shall be obtained and placed on the vehicle each year.

Application for registration of a special purpose vehicle shall be made by the owner, or owner's agent, in the office of the police chief.

Prior to the issuance of the registration and license, each applicant for a special purpose vehicle license shall first present such vehicle for an official inspection.

Every owner of a special purpose vehicle shall provide liability coverage in accordance with the most current adopted Standard Traffic Ordinance.

It is unlawful for any person to willfully or maliciously remove, destroy, mutilate or alter such license during the time in which the same is operative.

The license issued hereunder is not transferrable.

Violations and penalties.

It is unlawful for any person to:

Operate, or for the owner thereof knowingly to permit the operation, upon a public street, road, highway, or alley within the corporate limits of the city any special purpose vehicle which is not registered and which does not have attached thereto and displayed thereon the license assigned thereto by the city for the current registration year.

Display, cause or permit to be displayed, or to have in possession, any registration receipt, registration license or registration decal knowing the same to be fictitious or to have been canceled, revoked, suspended, or altered. A violation of this shall constitute an unclassified misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 and forfeiture of the item. A mandatory court appearance shall be required of any person violating this subsection.

Lend to or knowingly permit the use by one not entitled thereto any registration receipt, registration license plate or registration decal issued to the person so lending or permitting the use thereof.

Remove, conceal, alter, mark, or deface the license number plate, plates or decals, or any other mark of identification upon any special purpose vehicle. Licenses shall be kept clean and placed as required by law to be plainly visible and legible.

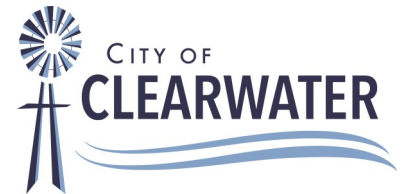
Carry or display a registered number plate or plates or registration decal upon any special purpose vehicle not lawfully issued for such vehicle.

Any person convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of it, shall for the first conviction thereof be punished by a fine.

*A full copy of the city code can be found at
www.clearwaterks.org*

Special Purpose Vehicle Regulations

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This brochure highlights some City Ordinances to keep you informed of rules when operating a golf cart or work site utility vehicle in the Clearwater City Limits. Please use this brochure to help you recognize potential safety hazards .

Sec. 34-108— Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

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 state stature allows.

Slow-moving vehicle emblem has the same meaning as contained in K.S.A. 8-1717, and amendments thereto.

Special purpose vehicle means golf cart, and work-site utility vehicle, either individually or collectively.

Work-site utility vehicle means any motor vehicle which is not less than 48 inches in width, has an unladen weight, including fuel and fluids, of more than 800 pounds and is equipped with four or more nonhighway 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

Sec. 34-109. - Penalty.

Unless specifically provided for herein, a violation of this article shall be deemed a traffic infraction. Upon an entry of a plea of guilty or no contest or upon being convicted of such violation, the penalty imposed shall be in accordance with Section 201, 2008 Standard Traffic Ordinance, and amendments thereto, or such other similar provision as the city may then have in effect.

Sec. 34-110. - Golf carts.

- a) Golf carts may be operated upon the public highways, streets, roads, and alleys within the corporate limits of the city.
- b) No golf cart may be operated upon any public highway, street, road, and alley with a posted speed limit in excess of 30 miles per hour.
- c) No golf cart shall be operated on any interstate highway, federal highway or state highway; provided, however, that the provisions of this subsection shall not prohibit a golf cart from crossing a federal or state highway with a posted speed limit greater than 30 miles per hour.
- d) Every person operating a golf cart on the public streets, roads, and alleys of the city shall be subject to all the duties applicable to a driver of a vehicle imposed by law.
- e) No golf cart may be operated on a sidewalk, walking path, or public greenspace.
- f) No golf cart shall be operated on any public highway, street, road or alley between sunset and sunrise unless equipped with lights as required by law for motorcycles, as outlined in Chapter 8, Article 18 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated.
- g) It shall be illegal to operate a golf cart on any public highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the city unless such vehicle displays a slow moving vehicle emblem on the rear of the vehicle.
- h) Golf carts without a top or lid over the carriage area must have a safety reflective flag attached to the rear of the vehicle that extends between 5' and 6' off the rear bumper area.



Sec. 34-111. - Work-site utility vehicles

- a) Work-site utility vehicles may be operated upon the public highways, streets, roads and alleys within the corporate limits of the city.
- b) No work-site utility vehicle shall be operated on any public highway, street, road or alley between sunset and sunrise unless such vehicle is equipped with lights as required by law for motorcycles, as outlined in Chapter 8, Article 18 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated.
- c) No work-site utility vehicle shall be operated on any interstate highway, federal highway or state highway; provided, however, that the provisions of this subsection shall not prohibit a work-site utility vehicle from crossing a federal or state highway.
- d) No work-site utility vehicle may be operated on a sidewalk, walking path, or public greenspace.
- e) Every person operating a work-site utility vehicle on the public highways, streets, roads and alleys of the city shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to a driver of a vehicle imposed by law.
- f) Work-site utility vehicles must have original equipment manufacturer (OEM) exhaust system.

