

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

Guide to Owning LOW SPEED VEHICLES

A low speed vehicle (LSV) is a vehicle with a top speed greater than 20 MPH, but not greater than 25 MPH. **LSVs must be registered, titled and insured** with personal injury protection (PIP) and property damage liability (PDL) insurance. **Any person operating an LSV must have a valid driver license. LSVs may only be operated on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 MPH or less.**

LSVs must be equipped with the following safety equipment:



To title and register an LSV, bring the following documents to an FLHSMV or tax collector office, flhsmv.gov/locations:

- Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin;
- Form HSMV 82040 (Application for Title) flhsmv.gov/forms;
- Proof of Florida insurance, minimum \$10,000 PDL and \$10,000 PIP;
- Identification - driver license, ID card or passport; and
- Payment for applicable fees, flhsmv.gov/fees;
 - Title fee
 - Initial registration fee, if applicable
 - Plate fee
 - Registration fee (varies by weight of vehicle)

For more information, visit flhsmv.gov/lowspeedvehicles.

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Golf Carts

Golf carts are defined in section 320.01(22), Florida Statutes, as “a motor vehicle that is designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting or recreational purposes and that is not capable of exceeding speeds of 20 MPH.” **Golf carts may be operated on roadways that are designated for golf carts with a posted speed limit of 30 MPH or less.**

Golf carts are not titled or registered and are not required to be insured with PIP and PDL coverage. **A person must be 14 years or older to operate a golf cart.**

Converted Golf Carts

Prior to titling and registering a converted golf cart, the vehicle must be inspected and assigned a VIN at a Motorist Services Regional Office. **The converted golf cart must be street-legal before applying for title and registration.** flhsmv.gov/locations

Trail the converted golf cart to a Motorist Services Regional Office and present the following documents and fees for an inspection, VIN assignment, title and registration:

- Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin or a bill of sale for the golf cart form HSMV 84490 (Statement of Builder) completed by customer and compliance examiner/inspector;
- Form HSMV 86064 (Affidavit for Golf Cart Modified to a Low Speed Vehicle);
- Original bill(s) of sale or receipt(s) for all parts used to convert the golf cart;
- Certified weight slip for the converted golf cart.
- Form HSMSV 82040 (Application for Title);
- Proof of Florida insurance (minimum \$10,000 PDL and \$10,000 PIP);
- Sales tax or sales tax exemption information for all parts;
- Identification - driver license, ID card or passport; and
- Applicable fees, flhsmv.gov/fees
 - Inspection fee
 - Title fee
 - Plate fee
 - Initial registration fee, if applicable
 - Registration fee (varies by weight of vehicle)

All-Terrain Vehicles

Florida law, states that **all-terrain vehicles (ATV) may only be operated on unpaved roadways where the posted speed limit is less than 35 MPH and only during daylight hours.** Anyone under the age of 16 operating an ATV on public land must be under the supervision of an adult and must have proof of completion of a Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) approved safety course. ATV operators and riders under the age of 16 must wear a USDOT approved safety helmet and eye protection. **ATVs are titled, but not registered,** and are not required to be insured with PIP and PDL coverage. (Sections 261.20, 316.2074 and 316.2123, Florida Statutes)

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The 2022 Florida Statutes (including 2022 Special Session A and 2023 Special Session B)

[Title XXIII](#)

MOTOR VEHICLES

[Chapter 316](#)

STATE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL

[View Entire Chapter](#)**316.2122 Operation of a low-speed vehicle, mini truck, or low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle on certain roadways.—**

(1) The operation of a low-speed vehicle as defined in s. [320.01](#) or a mini truck as defined in s. [320.01](#) on any road is authorized with the following restrictions:

(a) A low-speed vehicle or mini truck may be operated only on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less. This does not prohibit a low-speed vehicle or mini truck from crossing a road or street at an intersection where the road or street has a posted speed limit of more than 35 miles per hour.

(b) A low-speed vehicle must be equipped with headlamps, stop lamps, turn signal lamps, taillamps, reflex reflectors, parking brakes, rearview mirrors, windshields, seat belts, and vehicle identification numbers.

(c) A low-speed vehicle or mini truck must be registered and insured in accordance with s. [320.02](#) and titled pursuant to chapter 319.

(d) Any person operating a low-speed vehicle or mini truck must have in his or her possession a valid driver license.

(2) The operation of a low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle on any road is authorized with the following restrictions:

(a) A low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle may operate only on streets or roads where the posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less. This paragraph does not prohibit a low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle from crossing a road or street at an intersection where the road or street has a posted speed limit of more than 35 miles per hour.

(b) A low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle may operate on a street or road with a posted speed limit of more than 35 miles per hour, but no more than 45 miles per hour, if:

1. The low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle travels no more than 1 continuous mile on such a street or road, except that the vehicle may travel in excess of 1 continuous mile if authorized by the entity with jurisdiction over the street or road;

2. The low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle operates exclusively in the right lane, other than for the purpose of completing a turn; and

3. On a two-lane street or road where overtaking and passing another vehicle is unsafe because of traffic moving in the opposite direction or because of other unsafe conditions, and five or more vehicles are formed in a line behind the autonomous delivery vehicle, the low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle exits the roadway wherever a sufficient area for a safe turn-out exists, to permit the vehicles following to proceed.

(c) A low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle must be equipped with headlamps, stop lamps, turn signal lamps, taillamps, reflex reflectors, and vehicle identification numbers.

(d) Federal regulations adopted by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration shall supersede this subsection when found to be in conflict with this subsection.

(e) A low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle must be covered by a policy of automobile insurance which provides the coverage required by s. [627.749\(2\)\(a\)1., 2., and 3.](#) The coverage requirements of this paragraph may

be satisfied by automobile insurance maintained by the owner of a low-speed autonomous delivery vehicle, the owner of the teleoperation system, the remote human operator, or a combination thereof.

(3) A county or municipality may prohibit the operation of low-speed vehicles or mini trucks on any road under its jurisdiction if the governing body of the county or municipality determines that such prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety.

(4) The Department of Transportation may prohibit the operation of low-speed vehicles or mini trucks on any road under its jurisdiction if it determines that such prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety.

History.—s. 1, ch. 99-163; s. 5, ch. 2009-183; s. 85, ch. 2012-174; s. 78, ch. 2013-160; s. 2, ch. 2021-233.

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT (PSA)

GOLF CARTS IN REUNION

In recent weeks there have been many questions asked about the use of golf carts on public roads within the Reunion Community. This PSA is intended to provide information about the ownership of the public roads within the community and the State laws regulating the use of golf carts. We all want a safe community and need all residents and visitors to understand the State law.

The majority of roads within Reunion are owned by the Reunion East and Reunion West Community Development Districts (the "Districts").¹ As governments, the Districts' roads are public roads and the regulation of traffic on public roads falls under Chapter 316 of the Florida Statutes. Under Florida law, the operation of a golf cart upon a public road or street is prohibited unless permitted by statute. The roads in the Districts are public roads and Osceola County has confirmed that they cannot designate the roads within the Districts as approved for golf cart use. Therefore, the use and operation of golf carts on the Districts' roads is not permitted under Florida law.

However, if a golf cart qualifies as a "low-speed vehicle" under Florida law, it may be driven on public roads where the posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less pursuant to Section 316.2122, Florida Statutes. A "low-speed vehicle" means any four-wheeled vehicle whose top speed is greater than 20 miles per hour but not greater than 25 miles per hour.² The low-speed vehicle, also called a "street-ready golf cart," must also be insured, titled, registered and driven by a person with a valid driver's license and must be equipped with headlamps, stop lamps, turn signal lamps, taillamps, reflex reflectors, parking brakes, rearview mirrors, windshields, seat belts, and vehicle identification numbers.³

The use of a golf cart upon a sidewalk or bicycle path within the Districts is also prohibited by Florida law, as doing so poses the risk of serious injuries to pedestrians and/or damage to property. This prohibition excludes cart paths designed specifically for golf carts. According to Florida Law, the improper use of a golf cart upon a road, sidewalk or bicycle path within the Districts could result in a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a moving violation by the Sheriff's Office. Moreover, the use of any vehicle, including golf carts, under the influence of alcohol or any chemical substance/controlled substance is punishable under Florida law. The use of golf carts in violation of Florida law could result in serious or fatal injuries to pedestrians and bicyclists, as well as damage to property, and are a serious concern to the Districts.

Your cooperation with the foregoing helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of the Districts' residents.

¹ There are a few private roads within the community that are owned by private homeowners' or condominium associations; those roads are not owned by the District, and are not a part of this discussion.

² Section 320.01(41), Florida Statutes.

³ Section 316.2122, Florida Statutes: Operation of a low-speed vehicle or mini truck on certain roadways. The operation of a low-speed vehicle as defined in Section 320.01, Florida Statutes, or a mini truck as defined in Section 320.01, Florida Statutes, on any road is authorized with the following restrictions: (1) A low-speed vehicle or mini truck may be operated only on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less. This does not prohibit a low-speed vehicle or mini truck from crossing a road or street at an intersection where the road or street has a posted speed limit of more than 35 miles per hour. (2) A low-speed vehicle must be equipped with headlamps, stop lamps, turn signal lamps, taillamps, reflex reflectors, parking brakes, rearview mirrors, windshields, seat belts, and vehicle identification numbers. (3) A low-speed vehicle or mini truck must be registered and insured in accordance with Section 320.02, Florida Statutes and titled pursuant to Chapter 319, Florida Statutes. (4) Any person operating a low-speed vehicle or mini truck must have in his or her possession a valid driver license. (5) A county or municipality may prohibit the operation of low-speed vehicles or mini trucks on any road under its jurisdiction if the governing body of the county or municipality determines that such prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety. (6) The Department of Transportation may prohibit the operation of low-speed vehicles or mini trucks on any road under its jurisdiction if it determines that such prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety.