

Barnesville Police Department

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Under-Speed Vehicles ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicles, Utility Vehicles, and Mini-Trucks

INFORMATION PACKET

To legally operate an under-speed vehicle (golf cart), low-speed vehicle, utility vehicle, or mini-truck on public roadways in the Village of Barnesville, you must meet several requirements. A copy of the Barnesville Police Department's Inspection Certificate is included in this packet for your reference.

Steps to Legal Operation:

1. **Schedule Inspection**

Contact the Barnesville Police Department to schedule an inspection in person or by calling **740-425-1976**.

2. **Complete Inspection**

A member of the Police Department will inspect your vehicle. At the time of inspection, you must present proof of **State Minimum Liability Insurance**.

3. **Pay the Inspection Fee**

Upon completion of the inspection a **\$50.00 inspection fee** (check, money order, or cash in exact amount) will need to be paid at the Barnesville Police Department at **132 North Arch Street, Barnesville, Ohio**. This fee applies to each inspection, including re-inspections if the vehicle does not pass initially. Once paid, you will receive a copy of your completed **inspection form**.

4. **Obtain a Certificate of Title**

Take your **Inspection Certificate, Proof of Insurance, and Proof of Ownership** to the Title Office. After verification, you'll be issued a **certificate of title**.

5. **Get Your License Plate**

Bring your **Inspection Certificate, Title, and Proof of Insurance** to the **Ohio BMV**. Once verified, you will be issued a license plate for your vehicle.

Note: Operation of these vehicles must comply with **all motor vehicle and traffic laws** under the **Ohio Revised Code** and the **Village of Barnesville Codified Ordinances**. A valid driver's license is required at all times.

BARNESVILLE CODIFIED ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 345

Under-Speed Vehicles (“Golf Cart”), Low-Speed Vehicles, Utility Vehicles, and Mini-Trucks

345.01 DEFINITION.

The following types of vehicles, which are subject to all provisions of this chapter when operated within the jurisdiction of the Village of Barnesville, are defined pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code as follows:

Under-Speed Vehicle — As defined in R.C. 4501.01(XX): “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 — As defined in R.C. 4501.01(WW): “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.

Utility Vehicle — As defined in R.C. 4501.01(VV): “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.

Mini-Truck — As defined in R.C. 4501.01(BBB): “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.

345.02 EQUIPMENT.

In addition to any rules or regulations promulgated by the Ohio Director of Public Safety, pursuant to Ohio R.C, Chapters 4511 and 4513, the equipment of an Under-Speed Vehicle (“Golf Cart”), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck shall include, but is not necessarily limited to, the following items, all of which must be in working order during operation.

(a) Two headlights having a minimum candlepower of sufficient intensity to reveal persons and objects at a distance at least 100 feet ahead under normal atmospheric conditions during hours of darkness.

(b) Two red tail lights having a minimum candlepower of sufficient intensity to be plainly visible from a distance at least 500 feet to the rear under normal atmospheric conditions during hours of darkness.

- (c) Must have directional signals.
- (d) Must have left side rear view mirror and a rear view mirror.
- (e) Must have a white light illuminating the rear license plate.
- (f) Must have a horn.
- (g) Must have a windshield made of plexi-glass or safety glass.
- (h) Must have one rear license plate, bracketed to the cart.
- (i) Must have one seat belt per occupant.
- (j) Must have a child safety seat for any occupant under the age of four (4) or under forty (40) pounds in weight.

345.03 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF OPERATOR.

- (a) No person who is less than sixteen years of age shall operate an Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck.
- (b) The person must hold a valid current motor vehicle driver's license.

345.04 INSPECTION.

- (a) No Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck may be operated on public streets within the Village of Barnesville unless it has been inspected by the Barnesville Police Department or its designee and issued a certificate of compliance.
- (b) The Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck must also be titled and registered with the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV).
- (c) The owner of the Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck shall provide proof of insurance at the time of inspection.

345.05 INSURANCE.

Operators must carry valid proof of financial responsibility (insurance), as required by Ohio law, at all times while operating an Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck.

345.06 OPERATION.

- (a) No person shall operate an Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck on any public roadway where the posted speed limit for such roadway is greater than 35 miles per hour.
- (b) This ordinance does not prohibit an Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck from proceeding across an intersection of a street or highway having a speed limit of greater than 35 miles per hour.
- (c) Occupants of an Under-Speed Vehicle ("Golf Cart"), Low-Speed Vehicle, Utility Vehicle, or Mini Truck shall be seated at all times on the seat of the vehicle, buckled by

the seat belt, when the vehicle is on and in motion. Standing on any portion of the vehicle while it is in motion is prohibited.

(d) Under-Speed Vehicles ("Golf Carts"), Low-Speed Vehicles, Utility Vehicles, or Mini Trucks shall not be operated on a public sidewalk or other leisure path.

345.07 LIMITATIONS.

The provisions of this chapter may be waived during limited periods of special events for which the operators of said Under-Speed Vehicles ("Golf Carts"), Low-Speed Vehicles, Utility Vehicles, or Mini Trucks from the Village Police Chief.

345.08 PENALTY.

(a) Anyone who violates this chapter shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

(b) If within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, the offender is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

(c) If within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, the offender is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

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INSPECTION OF UNDER-SPEED VEHICLE, UTILITY VEHICLE, OR MINI-TRUCK

An inspection is being performed on the following vehicle type (check one only):

☐ UNDER-SPEED VEHICLE

☐ UTILITY VEHICLE

☐ MINI-TRUCK

OWNER INFORMATION

NAME OF OWNER (PLEASE PRINT)		OWNER PHONE	
STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP

VEHICLE INFORMATION

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)			
YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	COLOR

The above vehicle includes the following equipment as required:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Seat Belts Required (All Occupants) # _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Horn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Windshield (Plexi-Glass or Safety Glass) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tail Light (2 lights) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Left Side Mirror & Rear-View Mirror | <input type="checkbox"/> Brake Lights (2 lights) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Headlights (2 Lights) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rear License Plate Lights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turn Signals | <input type="checkbox"/> Rear License Plate, bracketed to cart |

Additional Requirements:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Valid Driver's License for ANY operation on public or private property. | <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of Insurance listing state minimum requirement of liability insurance for under-speed vehicle, utility vehicle, or mini-truck. |
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All equipment must be in proper working order to pass inspection

OFFICER'S SIGNATURE	OFFICER BADGE #	DATE
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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE	DATE
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OFFICE USE ONLY

PAYMENT DATE	PAYMENT AMOUNT	CASH OR CHECK #	RECEIPT #
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