



Golf Cart Policy Clarification

PLEASE NOTE:

It is still illegal to drive golf carts on Destin streets and sidewalks.

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The **Destin Golf Cart Policy** was adopted by City Council contains nine policies. A complete copy can be made available upon request. The following information is provided as a public service.

I. Policies 1 – 2 are directly from Florida Statutes. The City will not set policy that conflicts with State Law.

- **Policy 1** Golf carts shall not be operated on any pedestrian facility.
Reference F.S. 316.1995 “Driving upon sidewalk or Bicycle path”
- **Policy 2** Golf carts shall not be operated on any public road.
Reference F.S. 316.212 “Operation of golf carts on certain roadways”

II. Policies 3 – 5 are statements only. They provide points of clarification and require no specific action. The two-year phase in period will have no impact on these policies.

- **Policy 3** A standard golf cart **IS NOT** a Low Speed Vehicle (LSV)
- **Policy 4** City Council shall designate certain roadways as Low Speed Vehicle Accessible (all roads in the city limits except U.S. Hwy 98/S.R. 30, Airport Road, Main Street – south of Airport Road, Mountain Drive, Palmetto Drive,

Marler Drive, Melvin Drive, Azalea Drive, Beach Drive – south of Mountain Drive, Benning Drive – south of Azalea Drive, Stahlman Avenue – south of Azalea Drive, Gulf Shore Drive – north of Shoreline Towers entry, Two Trees Road – south of Commons Drive)

- **Policy 5** A properly modified golf cart that complies with the conditions set forth in F.S. 316.2122 “Operation of a Low Speed Vehicle on certain roadways” becomes an LSV. These may be driven on streets designated as Low Speed Vehicle Accessible.

III. Policies 6 – 9 are policies which will require funding and time to coordinate with the State, adjacent counties, and provide training to implement. The 2 year phase in period will be necessary for the proper implementation of these policies and will not conflict with any existing State laws.

- **Policy 6** Provide for public education & information campaign to promote public awareness for the City’s current policy. Erect signage around the City stating that motorized vehicles on pedestrian ways are prohibited under F.S. 316.1995. Erect signage around the City showing the designated LSV friendly roads.
- **Policy 7** Provide for regulatory enforcement by the City’s Code Enforcement Department as well as all federal, state & local law enforcement officials.
- **Policy 8** Provide for an inter-local agreement with Okaloosa & Walton Counties to evaluate and designate LSV friendly roadways contiguous with the city boundaries.
- **Policy 9** Recommend that City Council direct City staff to coordinate with the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to provide a location in the city for the purposes of registration, inspection and licensing the LSV's.

IV. Registration:

Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV)

<u>LSV Conversions only</u>	Pensacola DMV 185c West Airport Blvd Pensacola FL 32503	(850) 475-5415
	Panama City DMV 6030 County Road 2321 Panama City FL 32404	(850) 872-4158
<u>Manufactured LSV's</u>	Registration shall be at your local County Tax Collector Office	