



Iowa State Fair Police

Golf Cart Rules and Regulations Junior High School Rodeo

In order to ensure the safety and smooth operation of golf carts at the Iowa State Fairgrounds during the Junior High School Rodeo, the following rules and regulations are established and enforced by the Iowa State Fair Police Department:

1. **Registration and Permit Acquisition:**
 - Golf carts must be registered through Dever Inc, who will provide necessary registration information to the Iowa State Fair Police Department.
 - Exceptions include carts used by vendors, NHSRA (National High School Rodeo Association) staff, and Iowa State Fair employees.
 - Electric bicycles, electric scooters, hoverboards, Onewheels, unicycles, Crickets, and similar devices are not permitted at any time within the campgrounds or event grounds.
2. **Insurance Requirement:**
 - All privately owned carts must be insured to operate on the fairgrounds.
3. **Permit Display:**
 - Operating permits must be prominently displayed on the front of the vehicle for easy visibility by officers.
4. **Operator Requirements:**
 - Operators must be at least 21 years old and possess a valid driver's license to operate carts on the fairgrounds.
5. **Liability for Damages:**
 - Operators are responsible for any damages to state fair property resulting from cart operation on the grounds.
6. **Nighttime Operation:**
 - Carts operating between sunset and sunrise must have at least one functioning headlight and tail lights/brake lights.
7. **Occupancy and Safety:**
 - Carts must not be overloaded, and all passengers must be seated on a seat while the vehicle is in motion. No standing, riding on roofs or body panels.
8. **Speed and Traffic Laws:**
 - Operators must maintain a careful and prudent speed at all times, yielding to pedestrians, livestock, and other vehicles. Any cart found with the adjustments to the governor or speed will have their permit revoked and will not be allowed to utilize a cart for the remainder of the event. State of Iowa traffic laws apply while operating on the fairgrounds.
9. **Restricted Areas:**
 - Driving on sidewalks, including areas such as "FUN FOREST" and "PELLA PLAZA," is strictly prohibited for all carts.
10. **Alcohol Consumption:**
 - Consumption of alcohol while operating a cart is strictly prohibited. Operating under the influence laws apply.

Operating a golf cart on the state fairgrounds is a privilege granted to participants and staff, not an inherent right. Violations of these rules may result in permit revocation, impoundment of the vehicle, and potential eviction from the fairgrounds. Rental costs will not be refunded if a cart is impounded due to rule violations. Participants and staff are expected to adhere to these guidelines to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all attendees.

For additional questions or information contact the Iowa State Fair Police at 515-262-3931