



The Boone County Fiscal Court has enacted an ordinance to allow citizens to request the approval for the operation of golf carts on certain county roads as permitted by state statute (KRS 189.286). In order to allow operation of Golf Carts on County Roadways, the County must adhere to the restrictions and provisions articulated by state law. These requirements can be found in the state statute and the County Ordinance. In order to be approved for the operation of golf carts, citizens must apply for the designation allowing for golf carts. Only after adopted by the Fiscal Court may the operation of golf carts be permitted. A list of all roadways approved for Golf Cart Operation is available on the Boone County website at BooneCountyKY.org

PROCESS FOR DESIGNATING A ROADWAY

A. Any citizen may request the addition of the county roadway on which they reside as a “designated county roadway” by completing an Application for Designation of County Roadway for Golf Cart Operation and submitting the application to the Boone County Fiscal Court Clerk at the Boone County Judge /Executive’s Office. The roadway requested must meet all requirements of state and county law. Every application must include a petition as required by County Ordinance. The Fiscal Court shall consider the application and the recommendation of the Traffic Safety Committee and may grant approval or disapproval of the application.

B. Any citizen, group of citizens or neighborhood homeowners association may request the addition of multiple county roadways within a neighborhood as “designated county roadways” by completing an Application for Designation of County Roadway for Golf Cart Operation which shall provide the names of the roadways requested and submitting the application to the Boone County Fiscal Court Clerk at the Boone County Judge /Executive’s Office. Every application must include a petition as required by County ordinance from the streets/roadways to be impacted. The Fiscal Court shall consider the application and the recommendations of the Traffic Safety Committee and may grant approval or disapproval of the application in whole or in part.

For Additional Information, the Full County Ordinance, State Statute and Application for Designation of County Roadway for Golf Cart Operation, visit the Boone County Website at BooneCountyKy.org or by contacting the Boone County Fiscal Court Clerk at 859-334-3105

STEP-BY STEP PROCESS FOR DESIGNATING A ROADWAY

Step 1: Complete a Designation of County Roadway for Golf Cart Operation Application;

Step 2: Obtain the required number of signatures as noted above;

Step 3: Submit completed application to the Boone County Fiscal Court Clerk

Step 4: Traffic Safety Committee will review and make a recommendation;

Step 5: Consideration and Decision by the Boone County Fiscal Court.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GOLF CARTS TO OPERATE ON APPROVED COUNTY ROADWAYS

1. Be equipped with the following as required by state law: a. Headlamps; b. Tail lamps; c. Stop Lamps; d. Front and rear turn signals; e. One (1) red reflex reflector on each side as far to rear as practicable, and one (1) red reflex reflector on the rear; f. An exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side of the vehicle and either an exterior mirror mounted on the passenger's side of the vehicle or an interior mirror; g. A parking brake; h. For each designated seating position, a seatbelt assembly that conforms to the federal motor vehicle safety standard provided in 49 C.F.R. sec. 571.209; and i. A horn that meets the requirements of KRS 189.080;
2. Be inspected by a certified inspector designated by the Boone County Sheriff;
3. Be issued a permit by Boone County to be displayed on golf cart;
4. Display slow moving emblem on golf cart as required by state law;
5. Be insured with proof of insurance in cart in compliance with state law;
6. Only be operated by a person with a valid driver's license in the operator's possession.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATED TO GOLF CART OPERATION ON APPROVED ROADWAYS

1. Any person operating a golf cart on a public roadway shall be subject to all traffic regulations of KRS Chapter 189 and any other applicable provisions of the Boone County Code of Ordinances pertaining to the operation of vehicles upon county streets and roadways;
2. Golf Carts are not permitted to be parked on or across a county roadway, sidewalk or multi-use pathway. An officer is authorized to have a towing service remove any golf cart or other self-propelled means of transportation from a county roadway to a storage facility when not operating with a valid permit or parked improperly;
3. These provisions do not apply to a golf cart that is not used on a public roadway except to cross a roadway while following a golf cart path on a golf course or to a motorized disability access vehicle or a battery operated unit which serves the sole purpose as a child's toy and not for transportation;
4. Any person violating the provisions of the golf cart ordinance, upon conviction of a first offense, shall be guilty of a violation & be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) & not more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). Any person convicted of subsequent violations within two (2) years of a prior conviction under shall be fined not less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).