

Sec. 28-6. Exception for motorized wheelchairs.

Notwithstanding the restricted areas listed in section 28-5, person(s) who have been issued a state handicapped permit and/or a permanent handicapped registration plate and a permit issued by the town police department may operate an approved beach accessible vehicle on the beach in designated areas. Operation is permitted by the permit holder or his/her designated driver who shall at all times operate in a safe and prudent manner, who shall give way to pedestrians at all times and who shall give warning before starting, stopping, turning his vehicle and remain clear of the federally-protected turtle nesting areas. The number of passengers shall be limited to the design of the approved vehicle.

Operation is limited to:

- 1 The last beach access on West Beach Drive and west to a point as designated by signage reflecting no further vehicle traffic;
- 2 From 58th Street SE to 69th Street SE;
- 3 From dawn to dusk.

(Ord. of 10-10-2000(3), § 1(e); Amend. of 1-12-2005; Amend. of 2-8-2005)

Process for Obtaining a Permit to operate a Golf Cart as a Mobility Device in the Town of Oak Island

All Permits expire on December 31 of the year in which they are issued. A new application and permit is required each year.

Permits to operate a Golf Cart as a mobility Device can only be obtained when both the Oak Island Town Hall and the Oak Island Police Department are open.

Complete the "Application for Permit to Operate a Mobility Device" and return it to the Oak Island Police Department. Along with the application, the owner of the Golf Cart must provide: 1. proof of ownership, 2. a valid drivers license and 3. proof of insurance at the time of registration

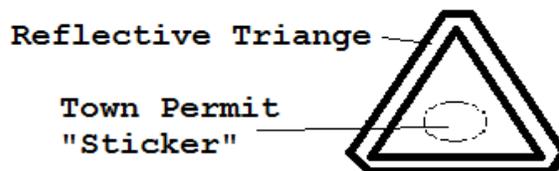
***You must either trailer the Golf Cart to the Police Department or it must be at a physical address on Oak Island so that an officer can view the cart as necessary.

The Applicant must Read and Sign the "Disclaimer of Liability" regarding the use and operation of Golf Carts as a Mobility Device.

Once the application is completed and approved, a copy of the application will be made. The applicant will take this copy to the Customer Service Department of Town Hall. The applicant will then be required to pay a registration fee of \$_____ and will be issued a permit "sticker."

*****Note - The Customer Service Department will not accept payment or issue a permit sticker unless the application has been signed by a member of the Police Department Administration.

The permit "sticker" is to be affixed to the center of the reflective triangle (that is mounted to the rear of the golf cart).



This sticker is **not** to be used for parking in designated town resident parking places. A separate application must be completed and a separate fee must be paid in order to obtain a resident parking permit.

This permit will also allow the operator to use their mobility device on the beach strand as provided by Town of Oak Island Ordinance 28-6. A copy of that ordinance will be available upon request.

A copy of the proof of ownership, liability insurance, and a completed Disclaimer of Liability must be in the cart at all times when the cart is in use on public property.

If there are any questions, please contact the Oak Island Police Department at (910) 278-5595 - www.oakislandnc.com

Oak Island Police Department



Application for Permit to Operate a Mobility Device

Applicant Name: _____

Date: _____ Phone Number: _____

Type of Golf Cart: **(Must be Electric Powered):** _____ *E Z Go, Star, Yamaha etc.*

Golf Cart Identification #: _____ *Usually under "glove compartment" area or on side of golf cart*

Drivers License Number: _____ State: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Address while staying at Oak Island: _____ *(If not permanent address)*

Certifying Doctor/Placard #: _____ *Can use Handicap Parking placard number in lieu of doctor info*

Name of individual(s) with disabilities that will be utilizing this mobility device (if not applicant)
_____ *List all people with disabilities that will be using the cart*

PERMIT EXPIRES THE LAST DAY OF THE CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR

By signing this permit, I attest to the following: _____ (Initial)

I have read and understand the ordinance and agree to abide by all rules and regulations regarding the use of this mobility device. _____

I have and will maintain liability insurance as required per the ordinance _____

The safety equipment listed on the back of this form is properly installed on my golf cart _____

All equipment on my cart will be maintained in good working order _____

Any misrepresentation of this permit will result in the immediate revocation of the permit and will result in the disqualification of future permits for a period of one (1) year.

Must initial all "attesting" areas and sign here.

Signature of Applicant

Only for issuing officer (Chief, Major, Lieutenant)

Signature of Issuing Officer (Approval can be given by the Chief, Major and Lieutenant only)

This section is to be completed by Police Department Staff:

Required Safety Equipment:

Employees of the Oak Island Police Department are to ensure the required equipment has been installed. This is not a safety inspection but an assurance that the Golf Cart contains the minimal safety equipment as required by ordinance.

_____ Windshield

_____ Brakes

_____ Rear View Mirror

_____ Parking Brake

_____ ******* Seat Belts for all seating positions *(Officers must note this so golf carts
<<<<< aren't overloaded)*

Number of Seating Positions: _____

_____ Metal "Low Speed Vehicle" caution triangle with reflective material

(minimum of twelve (12) inch side lengths and mounted on the rear of the Golf Cart)

_____ One (1) reflector mounted on each side *(Can be obtained at Lowes or Wal Mart)*

(reflectors must be at least 3 inches in width and height)

This Golf Cart _____ does _____ does not have Brake Lights.

This Golf Cart _____ does _____ does not have Mechanical Turn Signals.

*****Note:** If the golf cart does not have brake lights or mechanical turn signals, the operator must use standard hand signals to indicate stopping or turning. The officer is to ensure the operator knows the proper hand signals.

Name of Police Employee that
verified the above equipment: _____

Officer or Records Clerk

To be completed by Records Clerk, Officer or Volunteer accepting the application.

Golf Cart Owner: _____

Drivers License Number: _____ State: _____

Name of Insurance Company: _____

Agent/Phone Number: _____

Policy #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Processed By: _____ Date: _____

*****Note - if there are only 2 seatbelts, then there are only 2 seating positions!
However, if the seats are only designed to carry four people, there cant be more
than 4 seatbelts (and so forth).**

Golf Cart Sticker Instructions for Records / Volunteers

1 Hand out application and answer questions as necessary

Notify the applicants of the following:

They must 1. read the ordinance, 2. get and maintain liability insurance and
3. have the safety equipment on the reverse of the application
(an officer/employee of the department must ensure that the safety
equipment is installed)

2 Golf Carts are not "legal" by ordinance unless they have a town sticker. Therefore, an officer must go to the location of the golf cart or the golf cart must be trailered to the PD for safety equipment verification.

3 Individual must return completed application and disclaimer of liability. They must present a valid drivers license and proof of insurance with the completed application.

When the application is returned:

1 Verify that the front of the application is completed

2 Verify that an officer (or PD Employee) has completed the "Safety Equipment" section

3 Complete the "Owner," "License," and "Insurance information" at the bottom of the second page.

4 Chief, Major or Lieutenant will have to sign the bottom of the front page.

5 If everything is complete, instruct the applicant to take the application to collections and pay \$5.00 for the registration. After payment has been made, the application will be stamped with 1. the word "Paid" 2. the date it was paid and 3. it will have the initials of the customer service representative. (See Below) ***Be sure the applicant understands that they will need to bring the application back to us after they pay the fee

6 After the fee is paid, and the application is returned, we will assign a sticker

The records clerk will then note the sticker number on the upper left corner of the application.

7 The application will then be filed and the information will be placed in the computer.

(You may have to explain that this is a separate sticker from the parking decal).

Golf Cart Sticker Instructions for Collections:

- 1 Verify that the front of the application is signed by Chief Eddinger, Major Jordan, Lieutenant Franks or Lieutenant Burke (**If it is not signed by one of those 4 people, the application is not valid - do not issue sticker)
- 2 Verify that the bottom of the second page has been signed and dated
- 3 Collect the fee and give receipt as necessary
- 4 Assign the sticker
- 5 Call the front office of the PD (278-5595) and let them know what the sticker number is for the PD Records.

(We will try to explain that this is separate and apart from the parking decal but you may also have to explain as well).