

VILLAGE OF NORWOOD

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WAIVER OF LIABILITY & HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Land(s) and Property in the Village of Norwood, NY 13668

1. In consideration for receiving permission to operate a golf cart on the designated streets stated in Local Law No. 1 of 2024 in the Village of Norwood, I hereby release, waive, and discharge and covenant not to sue, the Village of Norwood, its Mayor, Trustees, servants, agents and employees (hereinafter referred to as "releasees") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or relating to any loss, damage or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, my employees, passengers or anyone else caused by incidental to my electing to operate my golf cart, or to any property belonging to me, whether caused by negligence of the releasees, or otherwise, while on or upon the premises, while in transit to or from the premises, or in any place or places connected with the streets in the Village of Norwood. I understand the risks involved in operating my golf cart, and I recognize and agree to accept that any activity/activities involve risk of injury while operating my golf cart on the Village of Norwood premises, and I assume all risks associated with it, including but not limited to property damage or loss, minor bodily injury, severe bodily injury, and death. I am voluntarily entering onto these designated streets with the knowledge of the risks involved and hereby agree to accept any and all inherent risks of property damage, bodily injury, or death.
2. I am fully aware of the risks and hazards connected with operating my golf cart, and I am fully aware that there may be risks and hazards unknown to me connected with operating my golf cart, and I hereby elect to voluntarily be on and upon, to enter upon the designated streets and operate my golf cart knowing that the conditions may be hazardous, or may become hazardous or dangerous to me and my vehicle. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risk of loss, property damage or personal injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, or any loss or damage to property owned by me, as a result of my being on the designated streets, whether caused by the negligence of releasees or otherwise.
3. I further hereby agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless the releasees and each of them, from any loss, liability, damage or costs they may incur due to operation of my golf cart on the designated streets, whether caused by the negligence of any or all of the releasees, or otherwise.
4. It is my express intent that this Release shall bind me, my company or the employer who employes me to furnish services for which I have agreed to operate my golf cart on the designated streets, the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representative, if I am deceased, and shall be deemed as a Release, Waiver, Discharge and Covenant Not to Sue the above named releasees, their family members, officers, servants, agents and employees.

In signing this Release, I acknowledge and represent that:

- A. I have read the foregoing release, understand it, and sign it voluntarily of my own free act and deed;
- B. No oral representations, statements or inducements, apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made.
- C. I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and fully competent; if I am under eighteen (18) years of age, my parent or guardian may sign this document adding my name to the document.
- D. I execute this Release for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day ____ of _____, in the Year 20__.

Participant Signature: _____

Name Printed: _____

Witness Signature: _____

Name Printed: _____

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Village of Norwood Golf Cart Registration Form

1. Driver Information:

- Name: _____
- Address: _____
- City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
- Phone Number: _____
- Email Address: _____

2. Driver's License Information:

- Driver's License Number: _____
- Valid Beginning Date: _____
- Expiration Date: _____

3. Golf Cart Information:

- Make: _____
- Model: _____
- Year: _____
- Color: _____
- VIN (Vehicle Identification Number): _____

4. Proof of Ownership:

- Attach a copy of the title or bill of sale.

5. Proof of Liability Insurance:

- Insurance Company Name: _____
- Policy Number: _____
- Policy Effective Dates: _____

6. Waiver of Liability:

- Attach a completed Waiver of Liability form.

7. Signature: I hereby affirm that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I have attached all required documentation. I understand that the Village of Norwood reserves the right to reject any incomplete or inaccurate applications.

- **Signature:** _____

- **Date:** _____

8. Office Use Only:

- **Registration Number:** _____

- **Received By:** _____

- **Date Received:** _____

- **Approved By:** _____

- **Date Approved:** _____

Section 1: Rules and Regulations

This ordinance is to establish guidance in the interest of public safety. Golf carts hereinafter:

1. Golf carts shall not be operated on or alongside a public road or street with a posted speed limit greater than 30 miles per hour. Golf carts shall not be operated on or alongside of New York State Route 56 (Main, North Main, and South Main), Spring Street, or Ridge Street.
2. Golf carts may cross a road with a posted speed limit greater than 30 mph. However, once this segment of road has been transversed, the golf cart is still required to travel only on or along a roadway with a speed limit of 30 mph or less. Golf carts must cross in a manner that is the most direct route in order to decrease crossing distance, i.e. no riding along a road or crossing at an angle.
3. Any person who operates a golf cart must be responsible for all liability associated with operation of the golf cart and must have liability insurance coverage which will cover the use of a golf cart in an amount not less than required by New York law for motor vehicles operated on public highways in the State of New York.
4. Any person who operates a golf cart must be at least sixteen (16) years of age or older. No person may operate a golf cart unless that person is licensed to drive upon the public streets, roads and highways of New York and then, only in accordance with such valid driver's license. Golf cart operators must carry their driver's license on their person at all times while operating a golf cart on public roads.
5. Any person who operates a golf cart on public streets and roads must adhere to all applicable State and local laws, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to those banning the possession and use of alcoholic beverages, and all other illegal drugs. In addition, no golf cart containing any open container of alcohol shall be operated on public roads.
6. The operator of the golf cart shall comply with all traffic rules and regulations adopted by the State of New York and the Village of Norwood which governs the operation of motor vehicles.
7. An operator may not allow the number of people in the golf cart at any one time to exceed the maximum capacity specified by the manufacturer. The operator shall not allow passengers to ride on any part of a golf cart not designed to carry passengers, such as the part of the golf cart designed to carry golf bags.
 - a. In no instance shall a golf cart be operated at a speed greater than 20 miles per hour. No golf cart may be operated at a speed greater than reasonable and prudent for the existing conditions.
8. Golf carts must be operated at the right edge of the roadway and must yield to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic.
9. Golf carts must park in designated spaces in such a manner that multiple golf carts can utilize the space. All parking rules and limits apply. No parking on sidewalks is allowed.

10. Golf carts must have basic equipment supplied by the manufacturer, including a vehicle identification or serial number. Such equipment must include all safety devices as installed by said manufacturer, and must also include a rear-view mirror and a rear triangle reflector.

11. Golf carts without lights may be operated only during daylight hours. Golf carts meeting the requirements set forth below may operate at any time:

a. Golf carts having two (2) operating headlights, one on each side of the front of the golf cart and two (2) operating tail lights, one on each side of the rear of the cart, all four (4) lights must be visible from a distance of 500 feet; and

b. If a mechanical turn signal indicator is not installed, then hand signals are required for turns.

Section 2: Registration, Inspection and Fee Prior to Usage

1. All golf carts must complete a golf cart registration application and submit to the Norwood Village Clerk for approval. Before driving on public roads, the operator of a golf cart must have a valid issued registration.

2. Each owner must have proof of ownership, and liability insurance, and a completed Waiver of Liability, releasing the Village of Norwood from liability that may arise as a result of operation of a golf cart inside Village of Norwood. These documents must be in the golf cart at all times while in operation on public roads.

3. All golf carts must meet the requirements or minimum standards of safety equipment as set forth above in this Ordinance.

4. All golf cart operators must present a valid driver's license issued by any state, while operating a golf cart on a public road.

5. The registration sticker shall be valid for no more than two years and must be visible on a golf cart operated on a public road.

6. Lost or Stolen Permit/Stickers are the responsibility of the owner and must be replaced before the golf cart is operated on a public road.

Section 3: Enforcement

Violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a civil penalty of \$50 per occurrence.

Section 4: Effective Date

This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon approval by New York State.