#### **ORDINANCE 15F**

### **ATV UTV SxS ROV AND GOLFCARTS**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOG CABIN, TEXAS VOIDING ALL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE OPERATION OF ATVS, UTVS, ROVS, AND GOLF CARTS WITHIN THE CITY; DEFINING AND ESTABLISHING THE USE OF ATVS, UTVS, ROVS, AND GOLF CARTS ON CITY ROADWAYS; PROVIDING FOR ALL OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS AND REQUIRED EQUIPMENT ON ATVS, UTVS, ROVS, AND GOLF CARTS OPERATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF LOG CABIN; PROVIDING EXCLUSIONS AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE.

# **SECTION I: DEFINITIONS**

To this Ordinance the following definitions are directly from TXDMV.

- A. ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE (ATV) An all-terrain vehicle is a motor vehicle that: (1) Has a seat or seats for the rider and one passenger. (2) Has three or more tires. (3) Is not more than 50 inches wide. (4) Is designed for off highway use and is not designed by the manufacturer for farm or lawn care.
- **B.** UTILITY VEHICLE (UTV) A utility vehicle is a motor vehicle that has: (1) side by side seating for operator and passenger. (2) Four or more tires. (3) Is designed for off highway use and is designed by the manufacturer for utility work and not recreational.
- C. RECREATIONAL OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE (ROV) A recreational off highway vehicle is a motor vehicle that: (1) Has a seat or seats for the rider and one passenger. (2) Has four or more tires. (3) Is not more than 50 inches wide. (4) Is designed for off highway use and is not designed by the manufacturer for farm or lawn care.
- **D. GOLF CARTS** A golf cart is a motor vehicle designed by the manufacturer primarily for use on a golf course. TXDMV does not title and register golf carts, but golf carts are eligible to receive a golf cart license plate from our county tax accessor office.
- **E. OWNER** A person who holds the legal title of a motor vehicle and has the legal right of possession or legal right of control.
- F. PUBLIC STREET Any street within the city that is 35mph or less.
- G. HIGHWAY Roadways that are over 35mph. i.e., 3054 and 198.

# SECTION II: OPERATION OF ATVS, UTVS, ROVS, AND GOLF CARTS

ATVS, UTVS, and ROVS with an off-highway vehicle license plate may be operated on roads in the following situations.

- A. In a master planned community with a uniform set of restrictive covenants and a county or municipality approved plat. (Country Club, Log Cove, etc.)
- **B.** On a road with a posted speed limit of 35mph or less during the daytime hours and not more than two miles from the location where it normally is parked for transportation to and from a golf course.
- C. To cross intersections of a road or street that has a posted speed limit of 35mph or higher.

Additionally, cities and certain counties may authorize operations of ATV, UTV, and ROV on roads within the city; but must require an off-highway license plate and only allowed on roads with a posted speed limit of 35mph or less. THE CITY OF LOG CABIN REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING RULES TO BE FOLLOWED IN ADDITION TO THE TXDMV:

- D. Must display a slow-moving vehicle emblem when driving on roads 35 mph or less.
- E. Only ATVs, UTVs, and ROVs that have a roll cage, roof, or enclosed riding area and/or seatbelts are allowed. If seatbelts are present, they must be worn.
- F. Must have side by side seating; straddle seating not allowed.
- G. Must have proof of insurance.
- H. ALL drivers must have a valid driver's license.
- I. Must be registered with the city. Permit fee of \$25.00 per vehicle will apply. Includes Park Pass.
- J. Must have: Headlights, taillights, parking brake, and mirrors.

### **SECTION III: OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS**

Golf Carts with a license plate may be operated on roads in the following situations:

- A. In a master planned community with a uniform set of restrictive covenants and a county or municipality approved plat. (Country Club, Log Cove, etc.)
- B. On a road with a posted speed limit of 35mph or less during the daytime and not more than two miles from the location where it normally is parked for transportation to and from a golf course.
- C. To cross intersections of a road or street that has a posted speed limit of 35mph or higher.
- D. Must display a slow-moving vehicle emblem when driving on roads 35 mph or less.
- E. Must have proof of insurance.
- F. Must be registered with the city. Permit fee of \$25.00 per golfcart will apply. Includes Park Pass.
- **G.** Must have: Headlights, taillights, reflectors, parking brake, and mirrors.
- H. Must have an off-highway license plate.

### SECTION IV: RULES FOR OPERATION ALL ATVS, UTVS, ROVS AND GOLF CARTS

- A. Only a driver 16 years of age and up AND has a valid driver's license.
- **B.** Bring Vehicle to a complete stop at all intersections.
- **C.** Yields right of way to oncoming traffic.
- D. A vehicle can cross an intersection including roadways that exceed 35mph.
- E. NO ONE IS PERMITTED TO DRIVE IN DITCHES, PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, BEACHES, UNIMPORVED LOTS, NEIGHBORS YARD OR PROPERTY THAT ISNT OWNED BY THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE.

## **SECTION V: PERMITS**

1) UTV, ATV, ROV must obtain a permit from the City of Log Cabin at City Hall. The cost is \$25.00 per vehicle per year and due every year on anniversary date after that. When obtaining permit, the owner must provide the following:

- A. Driver's License
- **B.** Proof of Insurance
- C. License Plate Number
- D. Phone number and address of where the vehicle is stored when not in use.
- E. Bring said vehicle on a trailer to City Hall for inspection before obtaining permit.
- 2) A Golf cart must obtain a permit from the City of Log Cabin at City Hall. The cost is \$25.00 per vehicle per year and due every year on the anniversary date. When obtaining permit, the owner must provide the following:
  - A. Driver's License
  - B. Proof of Insurance
  - C. License Plate Number
  - D. Phone number and address of where the vehicle is when not in use.

#### **SECTION VI: PENALTY**

This ordinance applies to the residents of Log Cabin City. Anyone who stays in the RV park, Camping area, or a rental property such as an Airbnb etc. is not allowed to operate any of the said vehicles in the city limits. Any person, firm, corporation, agent, employee, citizen, or family member of citizen there of who violates any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not to exceed \$500 for each offense. Each Violation committed constitutes a separate offense.

THIS ORDINANCE 15F IS DULY ENACTED BY THE CITY OF LOG CABIN, TEXAS PURSUANT TO THE GENERAL LAWS AND CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS. THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND PUBLICATION AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 20th DAY OF MAY 2021.

Mayor Jennifer Williams

City Secretary Leara Thorp