

**TITLE VII: TRAFFIC CODE**

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## CHAPTER 70: TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

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### ***Statutory reference:***

*Local authority over streets and highways, see I.C. 9-21-1-3*

### **§ 70.01 SPEED LIMITS.**

The speed limit for any specific street within the town limits will be established by the Advisory Plan Commission as part of its duties under subdivision control and thoroughfare planning. Unless otherwise altered and posted by the Plan Commission, the speed limit for any and all streets within the town limits is hereby established at 30 miles per hour. It shall be prima facie unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle in excess of any reduced speed so declared upon any street when signs are in place giving notice of the declared speed limit established by the Advisory Plan Commission.

(Ord. P 1-1976, passed - - ; Am. Ord. 96-1, passed 2-12-96) Penalty, see § 70.99

### **§ 70.02 REGULATING U-TURNS.**

No vehicle shall be turned so as to proceed in the opposite direction upon any public thoroughfare, where such vehicle cannot be seen by the driver of any other vehicle approaching from either direction within 750 feet.

(Ord. 82-1, passed 4-12-82) Penalty, see § 70.99

### **§ 70.03 TRUCKS, TRUCK ROUTES AND WEIGHT LIMITS.**

(A) *Definitions.* For the purpose of this section, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

***SEMITRAILER.*** Every vehicle with or without motive power other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or property and being drawn by a motor vehicle, and so constructed that some part of its weight and that of its load rests upon or is carried by another vehicle.

**TRUCK.** Any vehicle used for the transportation of goods or property whose total gross weight with load exceeds 20,000 pounds, and if a tractor-trailer combination, the length of the trailer exceeds 35 feet.

**TRUCK-TRACTOR.** Every motor vehicle designed and used primarily for drawing other vehicles and not so constructed as to carry a load other than a part of the weight of the vehicle or load so drawn.

(B) *Street signs required.* The Town Manager, or his or her designee, is directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs on the county highways giving notice of the restrictions as to the use of these highways.

(C) *Freight loading zone.* No person shall stop, stand, or park any truck on any town street or road except at established freight-loading zones for the purpose of loading or unloading merchandise or materials at a commercial or industrial establishment. Loading or unloading operations shall take place at established warehouses, terminals, or freight-loading zones. Freight loading zones shall be established by the Town Council after it has been determined on the basis of an engineering and traffic study that the establishment of a freight-loading zone will not reduce the safety of or hinder the efficiency of the traffic system.

(D) *Violation-penalty.* Any violation of § 70.30(D) is punishable by a fine of up to \$2,500.

(E) *Truck routes.*

(1) No person shall drive or operate a truck, as defined in § 70.03, on any town street or road within the confines of the Town of Pittsboro, except on the through truck routes established below. This restriction does not apply to farm trucks or vehicles when loaded with farm products. A truck may leave a designated truck route in order to make a local delivery or if traveling to or from a local destination, provided the truck follows the most direct route to and from the designated truck route. The Town Manager, or his designee, shall erect and maintain appropriate signs on the Town Streets and roads giving notice of the restrictions on the use of the highways.

Street

Jeff Gordon Boulevard

Mitchell Avenue

(2) Any violation of this § 70.03 (E) shall be punishable by a fine of up to \$2,500.

(F) *Weight restrictions on certain bridges.*

(1) When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall operate any vehicle having a gross weight which exceeds that specified on any of the following bridges:

<i>Road Name</i>	<i>Stream Crossing</i>	<i>Gross Wt. Limit (tons)</i>	<i>Bridge Number</i>
[Reserved]			

(2) All gross weight limits on bridges previously listed in this schedule are hereby specifically amended or repealed.

(3) Any person violating the restrictions established in this § 70.03(F) is subject to a fine not to exceed \$2,500.

(G) *Weight restrictions on certain roads.*

(1) When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall operate any vehicle having a gross weight which exceeds that specified on any of the following roads.

<i>Road</i>	<i>Between</i>	<i>Weight Limit</i>
Waters Road	All	8 tons

(2) Any person violating the restrictions established in this division (G) is subject to a fine of up to \$2,500.

(H) *Truck-tractors and semi-trailers restricted from certain roads.*

(1) Truck-tractors and semi-trailers as defined in this section are prohibited from using the following street and roads. However, truck-tractors and semi-trailers may use these highways for local deliveries or these highways within the jurisdiction of the board of county commissioners which intersect these highways. The Town Manager, or his or her designee, shall erect and maintain signs along the portion or portions of these streets and roads, giving notice of the restriction of the use on these highways by truck-tractors and *sem-trailers*.

<i>Street</i>	<i>From</i>
[Reserved]	

(2) Any violation of this division shall be punishable by a fine of up to \$2,500.  
(Ord. 2017-06, passed 10-17-17)

**§ 70.99 TRAFFIC PENALTY.**

(A) Pursuant to I.C. 9-21-1-2, persons violating this traffic code, in lieu of being charged of such violations in the Hendricks County Courts, may within a 48-hour time period, excluding Saturdays and Sundays, pay directly to the Town Clerk-Treasurer for the use and benefit of the General Fund of the town the following fines for violations of the above mentioned code sections:

(1) For parking in an area where parking is prohibited the fine shall be \$2 if paid within 48 hours. However, if the violator does not pay the fine within 48 hours, the violator shall be fined in the Hendricks County Courts, upon conviction not less than \$5 but no more than \$25 and costs for each offense.

(2) Any vehicle illegally parked may be moved at the expense of the owner or operator thereof upon order of the Town Marshal or Deputy Marshal. To recover possession of such vehicle, the owner or operator shall pay the penalties assessed for such violation at the town hall and shall pay all towing and/or storage charges where the vehicle is stored. Violators will be notified at the town hall of the location where their vehicle is stored when paying the fine.

(3) Any vehicle in violation of the two-hour town parking limit may be ordered removed by the Town Marshal or Deputy Town Marshal. To recover possession of such vehicle, the owner or operator shall pay the penalties assessed for such violation at the town hall and shall pay all towing and/or storage charges where the vehicle is stored. Violators will be notified at the town hall of the location where their vehicle is stored when paying the fine.

(4) A violation of the two-hour parking section of this title shall be punishable as follows:

(a) \$5 penalty if paid at the town hall within 48 hours from the time of issuance of a violation ticket, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

(b) If the violator does not pay the fine within 48 hours, he shall be fined upon conviction not less than \$10 but no more than \$50 and costs for each offense.

(5) A violation of § 70.01 shall be punishable by a penalty not to exceed \$100.

(6) All violations of ordinances relating to moving vehicles shall be certified pursuant to I.C. 9-21-2-1 to the Indiana State Bureau of Motor Vehicles and shall be considered a violation.

(7) Any person who violates § 70.02 shall be assessed a fine not to exceed \$50. (Ord. 82-1, passed 4-12-82)

(B) If any fine or penalty assessed herein is not paid at the town hall within the 48-hour time period prescribed above, the officer issuing the citation is hereby required to reissue the citation on a uniform traffic ticket pursuant to I.C. 9-30-3-6 and notify the violator of his initial hearing date in the Hendricks County Courts.

(Ord. P 1-1976, passed - - )

## CHAPTER 71: PARKING REGULATIONS

### Section

71.01 Parking prohibited in certain locations

71.02 Two-hour parking; exceptions

#### ***Cross-reference:***

*For parking regulations in specific locations, see Chapter 72, Parking Schedules*

### **§ 71.01 PARKING PROHIBITED IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS.**

(A) Motorized vehicle parking is prohibited:

- (1) In front of a public or private driveway in violation of I.C. 9-21-16-5(2); or
- (2) Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant in violation of I.C. 9-21-16-5(4).

(B) No motor home, camper/camper trailer, boat/boat trailer, semi truck and/or tractor-trailer shall be parked on any town street for more than three hours in a seven day (one week) period; provided, recreational vehicle, for which the owner holds a lawfully issued temporary parking permit from the town, may be parked anywhere on the town street for maintenance, loading, unloading and similar purposes, no more often than once during any calendar week (beginning on Sunday and ending on Saturday) and in no event for more than 72 consecutive hours in any single calendar week.

(C) The town shall issue the temporary parking permit for a fee established, and amended from time to time, by the town council.

(Ord. 2016-12, passed 11-15-16)

### **§ 71.02 TWO-HOUR PARKING; EXCEPTIONS.**

Vehicles may be parked on public streets in the downtown business area and town parking lots in spaces designated for that purpose for not more than two hours at a time during the period beginning at 6:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time and ending at 6:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Such time limits are not in effect on Sundays and the following days: Christmas Day, Veterans Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Independence Day and New Year's Day.

(Ord. 2016-12, passed 11-15-16)





**CHAPTER 72: PARKING SCHEDULES**

Schedule

- I. Parking prohibited at all times
- II. Parking prohibited at certain times

**SCHEDULE I. PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES.**

Parking shall be prohibited at all times in the following locations:

<i>Street</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Ord. No.</i>	<i>Date Passed</i>
N. Maple	Forty feet in front of the Christian Church located at 216 N. Maple measured from 20 feet from the center of the church walk in either direction	80-2	10-13-80

(Ord. 80-2, passed 10-13-80) Penalty, see § 70.99



**SCHEDULE II. PARKING PROHIBITED AT CERTAIN TIMES.**

Parking is prohibited in the following areas on all days of the week except 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Sundays:

<i>Street</i>	<i>Side</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Ord. No.</i>	<i>Date Passed</i>
Church Street	North and south		P 1-1976	--
Fisher Street	East and west		P 1-1976	--
Hamilton Street	East and west		P 1-1976	--
Lodge Street	North and south		P 1-1976	--
North Maple Street	East	From Church to Wall Streets	P 1-1976	--
North Maple Street	West	From the railroad	P 1-1976	--
North Meridian Street	East	From Lodge to Wall Streets	P 1-1976	--
North Meridian Street	West	From Osborne to Wall Streets	P 1-1976	--
Osborne Street	South		P 1-1976	--
Poplar Drive	South		P 1-1976	--
Scamahorn Drive	Both	From 136 to Osborne Street	P 1-1976	--
Scott Street	Both		P 1-1976	--
South Maple Street	South	From Bank	P 1-1976	--
Sparks Street	East and West		P 1-1976	--

(Ord. P 1-1976, passed -- ) Penalty, see § 70.99



## CHAPTER 73: GOLF CARTS

### Section

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### § 73.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

***DRIVER'S LICENSE.*** A valid license to operate a motor vehicle issued by the State of Indiana or any other state.

***FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.*** Liability insurance coverage on a golf cart in an amount not less than required by Indiana law for motor vehicles operated on public highways and streets in the State of Indiana.

***GOLF CART.*** a four-wheeled vehicle originally and specifically designed and intended to transport one or more individuals and golf clubs for the purpose of playing the game of golf on a golf course.

***HIGHWAY.*** A U.S. highway under the jurisdiction and control of the State of Indiana and/or the United States Government.

***MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY.*** The existing corporate limits of the Town of Pittsboro and future annexations thereto.

**OPERATE.** To exercise any control over the function or movement of a golf cart.

**STREET.** A street, alley, park or parking area under the jurisdiction and control of the Town of Pittsboro.

**TOWN.** The Town of Pittsboro, Indiana.  
(Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10)

### **§ 73.02 OPERATION OF A GOLF CART.**

(A) The operation of a golf cart on streets within the municipal boundary of the town is hereby authorized only so long as the golf cart is registered, operated, insured and equipped in accordance with the provisions of this chapter; provided, however, nothing in this chapter prohibits operation of a golf cart to cross a street which divides a golf course when done for the purpose of playing golf so long as such crossing occurs at locations designated by the golf course operator.

(B) Failure to register, operate, insure and equip a golf cart as required herein shall constitute a violation of this chapter and any subsequent codification of this chapter in the Town of Pittsboro Code or Ordinances. Violations shall be punishable by fines, costs and penalties as hereinafter set forth.

(C) No golf cart may be operated on a highway, as defined herein, except for the purpose of crossing a highway, perpendicularly, at an intersection within a town street.

(D) Golf carts must obey posted speed limits, but in no case may golf carts be operated in excess of 30 mph.

(E) Golf carts shall be operated as close to the right edge of the street or alley as possible and may not impede the flow of other vehicle traffic.

(F) No golf cart may be operated or parked on town sidewalks.

(G) No golf cart shall be operated on a town street between 12:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.  
(Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10) Penalty, see § 73.99

### **§ 73.03 OPERATOR.**

Only a person with a valid driver's license shall be authorized to operate a golf cart on a town street, which license must be in possession of the driver while operating the golf cart. Authorization or permission by the golf cart owner to a person without a valid driver's license to operate a golf cart on a town street shall constitute a violation of this section. Operators of golf carts shall obey all federal,

state and local laws, regulations and ordinances governing passenger motor vehicles, including but not limited to laws, regulations and ordinances pertaining to licensing of operators and traffic regulation. (Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10) Penalty, see § 73.99

**§ 73.04 REGISTRATION.**

(A) Unless otherwise exempted herein, no golf cart may be operated on a town street until the golf cart is registered with the town. The Town Police Department shall register all golf carts to be operated on town streets as follows:

- (1) Each golf cart shall be registered in the name of the owner upon the owner applying for such registration, upon the owner applying for such registration;
- (2) The owner shall provide proof of financial responsibility covering the golf cart;
- (3) An inspection of the golf cart by the Town Police Department must be completed and which confirms that the golf cart is equipped as required by this chapter;
- (4) The owner shall pay the required registration fee; and
- (5) The owner shall acknowledge in writing that he or she received and read a copy of this chapter.

(B) The registration of a golf cart shall be effective as of the date of registration and shall expire on December 31 of the year of registration with no proration of the registration fee. Upon being registered, a registration sticker for the current calendar year shall be issued by the town, which sticker shall be affixed to the left side of the rear bumper of the golf cart as proof of registration. (Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10) Penalty, see § 73.99

**§ 73.05 REGISTRATION FEE.**

Unless otherwise exempted herein, the owner of a golf cart shall pay a registration fee of \$25 to the town at the time of registration of a cart. The registration fee may hereinafter be amended from time to time by ordinance adopted by the Town Council. All registration fees shall be deposited in the town's General Fund. (Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10)

**§ 73.06 FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.**

At all times during the operation of a golf cart on town streets, proof of financial responsibility covering the golf cart and its operation shall be kept in or on the golf cart. Failure to keep such proof

of financial responsibility in or upon the golf cart shall constitute a violation of this section by the owner of the golf cart. Failure to produce proof of financial responsibility, when requested by a law enforcement officer, shall constitute a violation of this section by the operator. All golf carts must be insured for a period of not less than 12 months.

(Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10) Penalty, see § 73.99

### **§ 73.07 EQUIPMENT.**

(A) Unless otherwise exempted herein, all golf carts shall be equipped with the following minimum safety equipment in order to be registered and operated on town streets:

- (1) Factory seating for all occupants;
- (2) Headlights;
- (3) Tail lights;
- (4) Brake lights;
- (5) Turn signals (front and back); and
- (6) Slow-moving vehicle sign attached to the rear of the golf cart.

(B) All safety equipment shall be maintained in good operating condition. Lights shall be used when time of day or weather conditions necessitate such use in order for the golf cart to be visible from a distance of at least 500 feet. Failure to equip, maintain and use such equipment as required herein shall constitute a violation of this chapter.

(Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10) Penalty, see § 73.99

### **§ 73.08 OCCUPANCY OF GOLF CARTS.**

(A) Maximum occupancy of a golf cart in use on a town street shall be limited to the number of factory manufactured seats installed on the golf cart.

(B) When in motion, all occupants must be seated, one per manufactured seat.

(C) No person under the age of five may ride in a golf cart.

(D) Occupants shall keep all parts of their body within the perimeter of the golf cart while the golf cart is being operated on a town street.



(E) Failure by the operator of a golf cart on a town street to ensure compliance with the provisions of this section shall constitute a violation of this chapter by the operator.  
(Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10) Penalty, see § 73.99

**§ 73.09 EXEMPT VEHICLES.**

The Town Council may exempt public safety and town personnel from using golf carts during special events from compliance with this chapter, provided that any operator of a golf cart so exempted must have a valid driver’s license and proof of financial responsibility is provided for an exempted golf cart.  
(Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10)

**§ 73.99 PENALTY.**

(A) Any violation of this chapter, after its adoption and publication as required by law, shall constitute a Class C infraction. Each time of an offense shall constitute a new and separate offense. Each violation shall carry a minimum fine of \$50 not to exceed a fine of \$100, the maximum penalty allowed by law. In addition to civil penalties imposed herein, a person cited for violation of this chapter shall be responsible for all court costs. Payment of fine and costs imposed shall be made to the Town Clerk.

(B) In the event an operator of a registered golf cart or the owner of a golf cart is cited a second time in a calendar year for a violation(s) of this chapter, unrelated to the first offense, in addition to the imposition of a fine and court costs, the registration of the golf cart operated at the time of the second offense shall be revoked by the Town Police Department if such golf cart was being operated at the time of the first citation.

(C) The golf cart may be impounded by the law enforcement officer for violations of this chapter. In the event of impoundment, the golf cart shall not be released until the basis of the violation has been corrected and all towing and impoundment fees incurred as a result of the impoundment of the golf cart have been paid by the owner or operator of the golf cart.

(D) In the event an operator of a golf cart failed to pay fines and fees imposed under this chapter, the Town Council may engage legal counsel to collect fines and fees, including a reasonable attorney fee for such collection.  
(Ord. 2010-1, passed 2-16-10)

