

**REGULATION CONCERNING THE USE OF GOLF CARTS**

**ADOPTED BY THE TOWN OF EAST LYME BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
ON APRIL 23, 2014 WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF MAY 12, 2014**

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 14-300g of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the East Lyme Board of Selectmen, acting herein as the duly constituted Traffic Authority of the Town of East Lyme, hereby permits the operation of Golf Carts within the Town in accordance with the terms of this regulation.

2. Gas or electric powered Golf Carts permitted on East Lyme town roads must be equipped with a minimum of four (4) wheels, capable of a maximum speed of no more than twenty five (25) miles per hour, capable of transporting no more than four (4) persons and comply with the following standards:

2.1. equipped with a locking brake, main power switch, head lamp(s), tail/brake lamps, operable horn as defined in section 14-80(e) of the Connecticut General Statutes, rear view mirror and seatbelts/passenger safety restraints for rear-facing passengers.

2.2. a flag with a minimum height of seventy two (72) inches from the ground and at least one foot above any installed roof shall be placed on the left rear of the Golf Cart to assist pedestrians and motor vehicle operators in observing the location and operation of a Golf Cart.

2.3. a valid registration sticker from the East Lyme Police Department placed in a visible location on the rear of the Golf Cart.

3. Prior to operation of a Golf Cart the owner shall register it with the East Lyme Public Works Department. The East Lyme Police Department shall prepare a registration form and registration sticker for the registration of Golf Carts. The registration shall expire on May 31st of each calendar year. The owner of a Golf Cart shall at all times meet the following standards to obtain and maintain a valid Golf Cart Registration:

3.1. The owner must submit proof of ownership, such as a certificate of title or bill of sale, and a certificate of insurance covering the Golf Cart that meets the State of Connecticut minimum liability insurance requirements for a motor vehicle or insurance requirements that are established by the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicle Regulations concerning Golf Carts upon adoption of same.

3.2. The Golf Cart must satisfy the standards of section 2 above.

3.3. The payment of a fee in the amount of \$35.00 is due for each registration period. From time to time the Board of Selectmen may amend the amount of such fee to an amount sufficient to cover all costs associated with the implementation and enforcement of the requirements of this regulation.

4. The following conditions shall apply to the operation of a Golf Cart:

4.1. Operators must possess a valid Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license, proof of insurance and a valid Golf Cart registration.

4.2. All applicable Connecticut and local laws and regulations governing the operation of a motor vehicle, including but not limited to parking rules and regulations, are applicable to the operation of a Golf Cart.

4.3. Operation of a Golf Cart shall be permitted only between one-half hour after sunrise and one-half hour prior to sunset.

4.4. Passengers shall be limited to one (1) passenger per seat, with no more than four (4) passengers in a Golf Cart.

5. Golf Carts may be operated only on roads located in the following areas of the Town:

5.1. The Crescent Beach community, more particularly described on a map or plan entitled "Plan Indicating Street Layout at Crescent Beach Niantic, Connecticut. Scale 1" = 100' Sept. 15 1961 Revisions December 15, 1961 Revisions Feb. 14, 1962" prepared by Dwight S. Vibbert.

5.2. The Oak Grove Beach community, more particularly described on a map or plan entitled "Map Showing Oak Grove Beach Niantic, Conn. Prepared for Oak Grove Beach Association, Inc. Dec. 1, 1994 Scale 1" = 100' Rev. 4/15/95 4/12/96" prepared by David M. Coonrod L.L.S.

5.3. The Black Point Beach Club Association, Inc. community, more particularly described on a maps or plans entitled "Plan No. 2 Black Point Beach Club Property as Niantic, Town of East Lyme, Conn. Owned By Jas. Jay Smith" and "Black Point Beach Club Property at Niantic, Town of East Lyme, Conn. Owned by Jas Jay Smith, sheets 1 of 2 and 2 of 2."

5.4. The Old Black Point community, more particularly described on the Town of East Lyme Assessor's Maps Nos. 02.1, 02.2 and 02.3, dated October 2008 and Town of East Lyme Assessor's Map No. 02.4, dated October 2009.

5.5. The Saunders Point community, more particularly described on a maps or plans entitled "Revised Plan of Building Lots owned by The Estate of George S. Smith, East Lyme, Conn. Original Survey and Layout by Chandler &

Palmer June 1922. Revised Layout by Daboll & Crandall April 1925 Scale 1IN = 40 FT.” and “Plan of Hoskins Point, East Lyme Ct. As Surveyed and Plotted by Robt. B. Gorton of Niantic Ct. Scale 1/300 or 1” to 25’ - September 10 AD 1901” and “Bishop’s Bay Park Owned and Developed by Merton W. Bassett of Hartford Conn. Scale 40 ft = 1 Inch. Survey and Plan By L.E. Daboll Civil Engineer New London Conn 1936.”

6. The East Lyme Public Works Department shall prepare a map or plan depicting the roads described in Section 5 hereof, shall file the original thereof with the East Lyme Town Clerk, and shall make copies thereof available to members of the public.

7. Any person who operates a Golf Cart in violation of any provision of subsection (a) of Conn. Gen. Stat. §14-300g, any insurance requirement established in accordance with subsection (b) of Conn. Gen. Stat. §14-300g or any conditions or limitations established by the East Lyme Board of Selectmen for the operation of Golf Carts shall have committed an infraction and will be subject to the same fine structure for motor vehicle violations as defined in Connecticut General Statutes.