

GOLF CARTS/NEVS

Golf carts and Neighborhood Electric Vehicles are a way of life in retirement communities. They must obey the same operating rules as all other motorized vehicles on public roads.

MUST be licensed by the MVD.

MUST be operated by a licensed driver, not children.

MUST obey all signs and pavement markings.

MUST use signals when turning.

MUST use seat belts if installed. (ALL PERSONS)

BICYCLES

Bicycles usually share the road with and are governed by the same rules as all other vehicles.

Riders...

MUST drive within legally marked travel lanes or on the shoulder.

MUST signal when turning.

MUST ride no more than two abreast when safe to do so.

MUST have a front light and rear reflector for night.

SHOULD plan a trip so as to avoid heavy traffic.

SHOULD wear a helmet.

PEDESTRIANS/JOGGERS

Pedestrians and joggers are most vulnerable during dawn and dusk hours. Always be aware of your surroundings.

MUST use the sidewalk when available, otherwise walk or jog against traffic and on the shoulder or unpaved section of a roadway.

SHOULD wear light colored clothing or reflective material. Reflective material on the back of the shoe is strongly recommended at night.

WALK or jog on well lit streets.

USE crosswalks if available.

USE the pedestrian push button at signal controlled intersections to gain right of way and to allow ample time to cross the street. If you arrive at an intersection in the middle of a walk cycle, watch the countdown change time to make sure there is sufficient time to cross the street.



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SAFETY

WHILE TRAVELING

IN OUR

RETIREMENT COMMUNITY



This brochure provides important information on golf cart, bicycle, jogger and walking pedestrian safety in our retirement community.

Even if you don't ride a bike, jog or drive a golf cart, you will encounter other people using these modes of travel on the same roadways where you drive your personal vehicles.

Your personal safety and the safety of others is at stake.

KNOW THE RULES! FOLLOW THE RULES!





Safety starts with knowing and following the rules of the road, being defensive, eliminating distractions such as cell phone use while driving, and always being courteous.

Most people in retirement communities came from different areas where driving customs may be different.

In operating any motor vehicle—an auto or a golf cart—it is important to drive within the posted speed limit, leave a safe distance between yourself and the vehicle in front of you, pass courteously and pay attention to the right of way rules.



SPECIAL ROAD GUIDELINES GOLF CARTS

The most important thing is to remember that not everyone driving cars and trucks in your community lives there. Not everyone is used to driving on roadways they share with golf carts.

Wear your safety belt restraints! If you don't have them, install them. Several studies prove falling from a golf cart was the most common cause of injury!

Be aware of all other autos, trucks, bicycles, and pedestrians in your area at all times.

Be sure to **signal your intentions** if you are preparing to turn.

Know the laws—stay on roadways posted 35MPH or slower, have proper lights and mirrors.

Slow vehicles should stay to the right. Regardless of roadway markings, no lanes are dedicated for golf carts. You are sharing the road with all other vehicles.

In retirement communities it is permissible to drive golf carts and NEVs on paved shoulders to the right of a solid stripe.



SPECIAL ROAD GUIDELINES BICYCLES

Remember, you have the **same traffic rules** as automobiles.

Wear a helmet.

Drive on the right side of the roadway.

Wear **bright colored clothing**.

Do not ride more than two abreast.

If you ride at night, have lights in front and rear.



SPECIAL ROAD GUIDELINES (Walking or Jogging) PEDESTRIANS

Use the sidewalks where they are provided.

If there is no sidewalk, **walk close to the shoulder in a direction facing oncoming traffic**.

Wear **bright colored clothing**.

Pedestrians in crosswalks have the right of way, but don't assume drivers know that, or see you.

If you are in the middle of a block, pedestrians must yield to vehicles.