

ERIE TOWNSHIP  
MONROE COUNTY  
MICHIGAN  
RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE OPERATION  
OF GOLF CARTS ON THE STREETS OF ERIE TOWNSHIP,  
SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF MICHIGAN COMPILED LAW 257.657a

THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ERIE, COUNTY OF MONROE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, RESOLVES:

WHEREAS, MCL 257.657a(1) states in pertinent part that “A Township having a population fewer than 30,000 individuals based upon the 2010 decennial census may by resolution, unless disapproved by the County Board of Commissioners under subsection (3), allow the operation of golf carts on the streets of that township, subject to the requirements of this Section.”; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board of the Township of Erie desires to allow the operation of golf carts on the streets of Erie Township, subject to the requirements of MCL 257.657a; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of this Resolution a “golf cart” shall be defined as a vehicle designed for transportation while playing the game of golf. A golf cart is not required to meet the vehicle safety requirements of a low-speed vehicle for approval under MCL 257.657a.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in the Township Board by MCL 257.657a, the Township Board of the Township of Erie resolves as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Township Board of the Township of Erie hereby approves the operation of golf carts on the streets of Erie Township, Monroe County, Michigan, subject to the requirements of MCL 257.657a; and it was further

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RESOLVED, that the operation of golf carts on the streets of Erie Township, Monroe County, Michigan is subject to the following requirements:

1. All golf carts and the operators of those golf carts shall be recorded on a master list maintained by the Erie Township Clerk and/or her designee by authority of MCL 257.657a(2);

2. A person shall not operate a golf cart on any street within Erie Township, Monroe County, Michigan unless he or she is at least 16 years of age and is licensed to operate a motor vehicle by authority of MCL 257.657a(5);

3. The operator of a golf cart shall comply with the signal requirements of MCL 257.648 that apply to the operation of motor vehicles by authority of MCL 257.657a(6);

4. A person operating a golf cart upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction by authority of MCL 257.657a(7);

5. A person shall not operate a golf cart on a state trunk line highway; however, this requirement shall not prohibit a person operating a golf cart from crossing a state trunk line highway when operating a golf cart on a street of Erie Township, Monroe County, Michigan, using the most direct line of crossing by authority of MCL 257.657a(8);

6. Where a useable and designated path for golf carts is provided adjacent to a highway or street, a person operating a golf cart shall be required to use that path by authority of MCL 257.657a(9);

7. A person operating a golf cart shall not pass between lines of traffic, but may pass on the left of traffic moving in his or her direction in the case of a 2-way street or on the left or right of traffic in the case of a 1-way street, in an unoccupied lane by authority of MCL 257.657a(10);

8. A golf cart shall not be operated on a sidewalk constructed for the use of pedestrians by authority of MCL 257.657a(11);

9. A golf cart shall be operated at a speed not to exceed 15 miles per hour and shall not be operated on a highway or street with a speed limit of more than 30 miles per hour except to cross that highway or street by authority of MCL 257.657a(12);

10. A golf cart shall not be operated on the streets of Erie Township, Monroe County, Michigan during the time period from one half hour before sunset to one half hour after sunrise by authority of MCL 257.657a(13);

11. A golf cart operated on a street of Erie Township, Monroe County, Michigan under MCL 257.657a is not required to be registered for purposes of Section 3101 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101 by authority of MCL 257.657a(16); and

12. A person operating a golf cart or who is a passenger in a golf cart is not required to wear a crash helmet by authority of MCL 257.657a(14); and it was further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution and the requirements of this Resolution shall not apply to a Police Officer in the performance of his or her official duties.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED by the Erie Township Board of Trustees at a regular meeting held at the Eire Township Board Chambers, Erie Township Government Building, Erie, Michigan, by a vote of a majority of the membership of the Erie Township Board of Trustees, on the 14 day of August, 2018.

THE TOWNSHIP BOARD, ERIE  
TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF MONROE,  
STATE OF MICHIGAN

By: William D. Frey  
William D. Frey,  
Erie Township Supervisor

AUTHENTICATED:

By: Kimberly Cousino  
Kimberly Cousino,  
Erie Township Clerk

I, William D. Frey, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected and acting Supervisor of the Township of Erie, and I do hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Erie, Monroe County, Michigan, at a regular meeting of the Township Board held at the Erie Township Government Building, Eire Township, Michigan, on the 14 day of August, 2018.

The vote on said Resolution, 5 Members being present, and 0 Members absent, was as follows:

In favor of the Resolution: 5

Against the Resolution: —

Abstained: —

Absent: —

Dated: August 15, 2018

By: William D. Frey  
William D. Frey,  
Erie Township Supervisor

ATTEST:

By: Kimberly Cousino  
Kimberly Cousino,  
Erie Township Clerk

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