

## **Article 4: Miscellaneous Driving Rules**

### **Division 16: Rancho Bernardo Golf Cart Zone**

*(“Rancho Bernardo Golf Cart Zone”  
added 11-25-1969 by O-10187 N.S.)*

#### **§84.1601 Citation of Ordinance**

This ordinance may be cited as the Rancho Bernardo Golf Cart Ordinance.  
*(“Citation of Ordinance” added 11-25-1969 by O-10187 N.S.)*

#### **§84.1602 Purpose and Intent**

The purpose and intent of this division is to establish a zone within which unregistered golf carts may be operated upon certain City streets and to prescribe rules and regulations for the operation of said vehicles within said zone.

*(“Purpose and Intent” added 11-25-1969 by O-10187 N.S.)*

#### **§84.1603 Definitions**

Whenever used in this division, the following words or phrases shall mean:

- (a) “City” shall mean The City of San Diego, a municipal corporation in the State of California.
- (b) “City Manager” shall mean the City Manager as that office is defined in Section 27 of the City Charter and any officer or employee of City appointed by the City Manager to act for him.
- (c) “Golf cart” shall mean a motor vehicle having not less than three wheels in contact with the ground, having an unladen weight less than one thousand three hundred (1300) pounds, which is designed to be and is operated at not more than fifteen miles per hour (15 m.p.h.) and designed to carry golf equipment and not more than two persons including the driver.
- (d) “Golf Cart Zone” shall mean that area within one (1) mile of the boundaries of the Rancho Bernardo Golf Courses as determined by the City Manager.

*(Amended 2-22-1978 by O-12300 N.S.)*

**§84.1604 Establishment of Golf Cart Zone**

- (a) The City Manager shall establish a zone within one (1) mile of the boundaries of the Rancho Bernardo Golf Courses within which unregistered golf carts may be operated except that:
- (b) The City Manager shall determine which streets shall not be included within this division because operation of unregistered golf carts would not be consistent with public safety.
- (c) The City Manager's designation of the limits of the Golf Cart Zone and excepted streets shall be conclusive.

*(Amended 2-22-1978 by O-12300 N.S.)*

**§84.1605 Posting of Golf Cart Zone Signs**

- (a) The City Manager shall cause to be erected signs designating streets within the Golf Cart Zone, and
- (b) Unregistered golf carts may not be lawfully operated on streets not posted as within the Golf Cart Zone.

*("Posting of Golf Cart Zone Signs" added 11-25-1969 by O-10187 N.S.)*

**§84.1606 Golf Cart Equipment**

Unregistered golf carts operated within the Golf Cart Zone shall be equipped in accordance with Section 24001.5 of the California Vehicle Code and any amendments thereto.

*("Golf Cart Equipment" added 11-25-1969 by O-10187 N.S.)*

**§84.1607 Golf Cart Regulations**

- (a) This division shall not be construed to abrogate any section of Division 6 of the California Vehicle Code pertaining to the issuance, expiration and renewal of drivers' licenses.
- (b) Golf carts operating within the Golf Cart Zone pursuant to this division shall not be required to comply with Division 3 of the California Vehicle Code pertaining to registration of vehicles and certificates of title.

- (c) Unregistered golf carts shall only be operated within the Golf Cart Zone between sunrise and sunset.
- (d) Golf carts operated pursuant to this division shall only be driven between the Rancho Bernardo Golf Course and the place within the Golf Cart Zone where such golf carts are parked or stored.
- (e) Golf carts shall not be used to carry more than two persons including the driver or any load other than the golfing equipment of the occupants.  
*(“Golf Cart Regulations” added 11-25-1969 by O-10187 N.S.)*

**§84.1608 Effective Date**

This division shall not become effective until the City Manager has caused to be erected the signs required in Section 84.1605 of this division.

*(“Effective Date” added 11-25-1969 by O-10187 N.S.)*

**§84.1609 Violations of This Division**

A violation of this division shall be punishable as prescribed in Section 12.0201 of this Code.

*(Amended 8-10-1993 by O-17956 N.S.)*