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ATV and Golf Cart Rules:

With the nicer weather upon us and the increased usage of ATVs/UTVs and Golf Carts in the area, the Milford Police Department would like to remind our community of the rules and regulations the city and state have in place for operation of these machines. Although similar, there are differences to them and the same rules do not apply to both.

In the City of Milford, you are allowed to operate a Golf Cart on its city streets but you are not allowed to operate them on Highway 71, Highway 86, A34/13th Street or 28th Street. You can only cross these roads and are not allowed to travel on them. You must also apply for and be granted a permit with the city and that permit must be attached to the front left of the golf cart at all times. Operation hours are from sunrise to sunset and the machines require a slow-moving vehicle sign and bicycle safety flag. They are not to exceed 20mph, operator must be 16 years old or older and possess a valid drivers license and they must be insured.

ATVs/UTVs have both City and State laws that govern them and by state code, you are allowed to operate ATVs/UTVs on paved undivided 2 lane highways, so it is NOT permitted to operate ATVs/UTVs on Highway 71 in Milford except to cross it. The driver must be licensed and 18 years old, the machine must have valid insurance, a slow moving vehicle sign and working headlights and taillight. You are not allowed to operate them on the trail system and they can only carry the number of passengers the machine was designed for. Per city ordinance all ATVs/UTVs are required to have a slow moving vehicle sign mounted to the rear of the unit. You are also not allowed to operate them off-road in our city parks or on sidewalks.

For further information regarding the cities ordinances please go to the City of Milford, IA website at https://milford.ia.us/ and scroll over the government tab and select “City code and ordinances”