

# VICTORIA GARDENS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## GOLF CART POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 316 and Chapter 320, and the governing documents of the Victoria Gardens Homeowners Association Inc., the Association shall hereby implement and enforce all rules and regulations regarding the operation of Golf Carts, Low Speed Vehicles and Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (as defined herein) within the Community, as follows:

### 1. Definitions:

**Golf Cart**- a type of four-wheeled vehicle capable of speeds up to 20 mph in an unmodified state, as defined by Law. This shall include any unlicensed motor vehicle operated in the Community.

**LSV**- "Low Speed Vehicle," a type of four-wheeled vehicle designed for cart-friendly communities which is defined by Florida Law as capable of speeds over 20 mph but less than 25 mph in stock, unmodified condition.

**NEV**- "Neighborhood Electric Vehicle," a type of four-wheeled, electric vehicle which is categorized as an LSV by Florida Law.

**Law(s)**- All relevant Federal, state, local and municipal laws including but not limited to the Florida Statutes including F.S. 316 and F.S. 320 governing Golf Carts, LSVs, and other vehicles and the use of such vehicles.

**Community**- the Community of Victoria Gardens, including all common areas of the Victoria Gardens Homeowners Association Inc.

**Resident**- any Victoria Gardens home owner or tenant as defined by the Community governing documents.

**Association**- the Victoria Gardens Homeowners Association Inc.

**Vehicle**- a "vehicle" shall include a Golf Cart, LSV and NEV.

### 2. Use of Golf Carts and LSVs within the Community:

a. It is the responsibility of the vehicle owner to conform with all pertinent Laws regarding the use and operation of a vehicle, including but not limited to insurance, registration and vehicle requirements. It is the responsibility of the vehicle owner to understand all local, state and federal laws pertaining to vehicle use and operation.

b. All Owners, members and guests are required to obey all posted traffic signs within the Community, including speed limit signs

c. Golf Carts and LSVs shall be operated only by a driver 16 years of age or older who is licensed to drive within any state or territory of the United States of America.

d. Golf carts and LSVs shall park in vehicle parking spaces. Golf carts and LSVs shall not be operated on sidewalks, walking trails, conservation areas, grassy areas or any area other than roadways and parking lots.

e. Operation of any vehicle while under the influence of intoxicants, as defined by Florida Law, is prohibited.

f. The Association reserves the right to enforce and act upon all rules governing the use of any vehicle within the Community, including but not limited to towing at the vehicle owners expense.

g. The Association may, at its discretion, review, change or implement any rules as it sees fit in

order to protect the Association's assets and property.

h. It shall be the responsibility of the vehicle owner to conform to all insurance requirements. The Association shall not be responsible for verifying insurance for any vehicle. We recommend you contact your insurance professional to discuss insurance coverage requirements.

i. All Golf Carts and LSV's must adhere to the following:

1. Equipped with headlamps, brake lamps, reflectors, parking brake, rear view mirror and horn.
2. Must yield to the right-of-way to vehicular traffic.
3. Must not leave the confines of the private roadways of Victoria Gardens.
4. Must be electric.
5. Must have a high-profile roof line for visibility.
6. Maximum seating capacity of 4. No limo style golf carts will be permitted.

**3. Registration:**

a. All Golf Carts and LSV's must be registered with the Association and the resident must acknowledge receipt of this policy.

b. In order to register, the resident must bring the Golf Cart or LSV to Victoria Gardens clubhouse. The Golf Cart or LSV will be photographed and a registration number will be assigned. The registration number is non-transferable. If you replace a previously registered Golf Cart or LSV, the new vehicle will need to be registered.

c. A decal showing the registration number will be placed on the vehicle in a high visibility location.

d. Golf Carts and LSV's must be registered with the association within 30 days of purchase.

**Failure to comply with any of the above regulations may result in revocation of Golf Cart or LSV's privileges as well as possible fines, use suspensions and legal fees as allowed by Florida Statute 720.**

**The Association shall not be liable for any accident involving the use of Golf Carts or NEV's due to the permission granted to operate by this policy.**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Decal #: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Approved: June 21, 2017