

**AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW ARTICLE III, CHAPTER 375 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN, ENTITLED "LOW SPEED VEHICLES" TO ALLOW FOR AND REGULATE THE OPERATION OF LOW SPEED VEHICLE ON THE STREETS OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN**

Section 1. Purpose and scope.

The Board of Aldermen desires to allow for the operation of Low Speed Vehicles, sometimes referred to as Ultra Terrain Vehicles or UTV's and Low speed Vehicles, on the streets of the City of Dearborn. Such vehicles are not currently allowed or regulated. It is also desired that such vehicles be subject to certain rules and regulations pertaining to operation and equipment.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN, PLATTE COUNTY, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

A new Article III of Chapter 375 of the Municipal Code of the City of Dearborn is hereby enacted as follows:

**Section 375.240 A. Definitions and Equipment**

1. All low-speed vehicles shall be manufactured in compliance with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration standards for low-speed vehicles in 49 CFR 571.500, as amended.

2. Low Speed Vehicles operated on public streets shall be manufactured and equipped in accordance with the requirements of Missouri Revised Statutes Chapter 304, Section 304.029, and, in any case, will minimally be equipped with the following:

- a. Headlamps;
- b. Front and rear turn signal lamps;
- c. Tail lamps;
- d. Stop lamps;
- e. Reflex reflectors: one red on each side as far to the rear as practicable, and one red on the rear; and
- f. An exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side of the vehicle and either an exterior mirror mounted on the passenger's side of the vehicle or an interior mirror.

**Section 345.245 Licensure**

Low speed vehicles operating on public streets under the jurisdiction of the City of Dearborn shall be registered with the City Clerk for the City of Dearborn.

A. Licensure

Unless otherwise required by the laws of the State of Missouri, and except as expressly provided in this ordinance, low speed vehicles are not subject to title or registration provisions, and are specifically not

subject to Chapter 385, Title III (Traffic Code) of the City of Dearborn Code of Ordinances, other than Section 385.020 (Driver's License Required), which shall remain applicable to low speed vehicles, but only as to operation of same on public streets.

B. Application For Registration; Proof Of Registration.

1. Each application for registration shall include:

a. Basic identifying information for the low speed vehicle (make, model, color and such other identifying information as the City Clerk deems advisable);

b. The name and address of the owner of the low speed vehicle;

c. A copy of proof of financial responsibility if the low speed vehicle being registered as a low-speed vehicle;

d. A certification by the owner that the low speed vehicle meets all requirements of this Chapter applicable to it.

e. The City of Dearborn may charge registration fees as follows: Thirty dollars (\$30) for each two-year low speed vehicle registration and/or renewal.

**Section 345.250 Operation**

1. A low speed vehicle may be operated upon the public City streets of Dearborn (but not State or Federal highways, other than for purposes of crossing same pursuant to the provisions of Section 362.040(B) below) if it meets the requirements of this Chapter. Every person operating a low speed vehicle shall be granted all the rights and shall be subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of any other motor vehicle except as to the special regulations in this Chapter and except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application.

2. The operator of a low speed vehicle shall observe all traffic laws and local ordinances regarding the rules of the road. A low speed vehicle may be operated on all public City streets with posted speeds of thirty-five (35) miles per hour or less. The provisions of this Subsection shall not prohibit a low speed vehicle from crossing a street or highway with a posted speed limit of up to forty-five (45) miles per hour at an intersection or roundabout.

3. Every operator of a low-speed vehicle shall maintain financial responsibility on such low-speed vehicle as required by RSMo. Chapter 303 if the low-speed vehicle is to be operated upon public streets.

4. Each person operating a low speed vehicle on public streets shall possess a valid driver's license issued pursuant to RSMo. Chapter 302.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval

READ TWO TIMES, APPROVED AND PASSED THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2020.

  
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Mayor, City of Dearborn, Missouri

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk