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The Brevard County Sheriff's Office is embarking on an educational campaign effort to inform its citizens about the lawful and proper use of golf carts on county roadways. The County has enacted an ordinance that allows restricted use of these vehicles on certain public roadways within the unincorporated areas of the county. The County Ordinance 2009-13 and Florida State Statute 316.211 contains the following stipulations:

- The golf cart <u>must not</u> be operated between the hours of sunset and sunrise unless it is equipped with the proper equipment to include headlights, brake lights, turn signals and a windshield.
- The driver must be of at least 14 years of age.
- Carrying more passengers then the cart was designed to carry is prohibited.
- The golf cart <u>cannot</u> be operated on bicycle paths or sidewalks but can be operated on specifically defined trails.
- Operation of a golf cart on any county road that the County has not designated for the use or operation of golf carts is prohibited.
- Golf carts may only cross roadways at designated pedestrian crossings.
- The operator must obey all traffic regulations.

There are only certain areas within the county that are designated for use by golf carts. Operators should familiarize themselves with these areas to insure adherence to the law/ordinance. The carts should not be used for shopping excursions or as a mode of transportation outside of designated neighborhoods. A violation of the Ordinance and or Statute may be punishable by means of the operator receiving a non-criminal traffic citation resulting in a fine.

Individuals with additional questions regarding golf cart use may contact the Brevard County Sheriff's Office, West Precinct at (321) 633-2123 between 8:00am and 5:00pm for additional information.

Sincerely, J. R. "Jack" Parker Sheriff of Brevard County

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