

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP LUCAS COUNTY OHIO UNDERSPEED VEHICLES INSPECTIONS

There are several requirements that must be met in order to legally operate an under speed vehicle on the roadways in Washington Township, Lucas County, Ohio. Please view the Washington Township Police Department's Inspection Certificate below so you can make sure your under speed vehicle meets the requirements before scheduling your inspection.

Here are the steps you will need to complete in order to certify your under speed vehicle for operation on public roadways:

1. In order to have your vehicle properly inspected, you will need to contact the Washington Township Police Department Phone at (419) 726-0478 or email: [police@washington-twp.com](mailto:police@washington-twp.com) to arrange for an officer to come to your location for the inspection.
2. An inspector with the Washington Township Police Department will contact you to schedule a time to have your under speed vehicle inspected. This is first step in legalizing your vehicle for operation on a roadway. (Written documentation showing State Minimum Liability Insurance coverage on the under speed vehicle must be shown at the time of the inspection). Once all inspection requirements have been met, you will be given an Inspection Certificate to take to the Title Office in Lucas County. **Under speed vehicle inspections are a one-time fee of \$25.00. The Police Department accepts cash or check only (payable to Washington Township).**
3. Next, you will take your Inspection Certificate, Proof of Insurance and Proof of Ownership to the Title Office. Once they have verified that everything is in order, they will issue you a Certificate of Title.
4. Finally, you will need to take the above items to a Deputy Registrar at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles where they will verify you have completed the above steps and then you will be issued the license plate for your under speed vehicle.

Operation of your under speed vehicle must be in accordance ALL motor vehicle laws located within the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) including having a valid operator's license.

Below are some excerpts from the Ohio Revised Code –

Definitions -

(VV) "Utility vehicle" means a self-propelled vehicle designed with a bed, principally for the purpose of transporting material or cargo in connection with construction, agricultural, forestry, grounds maintenance, lawn and garden, materials handling, or similar activities.

(WW) "Low-speed vehicle" means a three-or four-wheeled motor vehicle with an attainable speed in one mile on a paved level surface of more than twenty miles per hour but not more than twenty-five miles per hour and with a gross vehicle weight rating less than three thousand pounds.

(XX) "Under-speed vehicle" means a three-or four-wheeled vehicle, including a vehicle commonly known as a golf cart, with an attainable speed on a paved level surface of not more than twenty miles per hour and with a gross vehicle weight rating less than three thousand pounds.

(BBB) "Mini-truck" means a vehicle that has four wheels, is propelled by an electric motor with a rated power of seven thousand five hundred watts or less or an internal combustion engine with a piston displacement capacity of six hundred sixty cubic centimeters or less, has a total dry weight of nine hundred to two thousand two hundred pounds, contains an enclosed cabin and a seat for the vehicle operator, resembles a pickup truck or van with a cargo area or bed located at the rear of the vehicle, and was not originally manufactured to meet federal motor vehicle safety standards.

**4511.214 Operation of low-speed, under-speed, or utility vehicle, or a mini-truck.**

(A)

(1) No person shall operate a low-speed vehicle upon any street or highway having an established speed limit greater than thirty-five miles per hour.

(2) No person shall operate an under-speed or utility vehicle or a mini-truck upon any street or highway except as follows:

(a) Upon a street or highway having an established speed limit not greater than thirty-five miles per hour and only upon such streets or highways where a local authority has granted permission for such operation in accordance with section 4511.215 of the Revised Code;

(b) A state park or political subdivision employee or volunteer operating a utility vehicle exclusively within the boundaries of state parks or political subdivision parks for the operation or maintenance of state or political subdivision park facilities.

(3) No person shall operate a motor-driven cycle or motor scooter upon any street or highway having an established speed limit greater than forty-five miles per hour.

(B) This section does not prohibit either of the following:

(1) A person operating a low-speed vehicle, under-speed, or utility vehicle or a mini-truck from proceeding across an intersection of a street or highway having a speed limit greater than thirty-five miles per hour;

(2) A person operating a motor-driven cycle or motor scooter from proceeding across an intersection of a street or highway having a speed limit greater than forty-five miles per hour.

(C) Nothing in this section shall prevent a local authority from adopting more stringent local ordinances, resolutions, or regulations governing the operation of a low-speed vehicle or a mini-truck, or a motor-driven cycle or motor scooter.

(D) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever violates division (A) of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

RESOLUTION approved by the board of trustees on 2/23/2021

RESOLUTION # 04:21

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Sections 4511.214(A)(2)(a) and 4511.215 authorize Township Trustees to permit and regulate the use of under-speed vehicles, utility vehicles, or mini-trucks upon public streets or highways under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code 4511.214 provides, that pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4511.215(B), Township Trustees have the authority to establish additional requirements for the operation of under speed vehicles, utility vehicles, or mini trucks on the public streets or highways within its jurisdiction;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington Township Board of Trustees, LUCAS COUNTY, State of Ohio that:

1. Definitions.

A. Utility vehicle has the same meaning as in Section 4501.01(VV) of the Ohio Revised Code;

B. Under-speed vehicle has the same as in Section 4501.01(XX) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

C. Mini-truck has the same meaning as Section 4501.01(BBB) of the Ohio Revised Code

2. The Trustees hereby authorize the operation of under-speed vehicles, utility vehicles and mini-trucks on the public streets or highways under the jurisdiction of the Township under the following conditions:

A. The operation of these vehicles is limited to Township streets and highways having an established speed limit not greater than thirty-five miles per hour;

B. The vehicle must be inspected by a local law enforcement agency that complies with inspection requirements established by the Ohio Department of Public Safety under Section 4513.02 of the Ohio Revised Code;

C. The vehicles must successfully pass the inspection required by Section 2(B) of this resolution, be registered in accordance with Chapter 4503 of the Ohio Revised Code, and titled in accordance with Chapter 4505 of the Ohio Revised Code;

3. In addition to the requirements of Section 2, in accordance with Section 4511.214(C), under-speed vehicles, utility vehicles and mini-trucks operating on the public streets and highways under the Township's jurisdiction shall comply with the following conditions:

A. The vehicle must be equipped with windshield wipers, brackets for rear license plate, license plate light, horn and seatbelts for all occupants;

B. Insured in accordance with Ohio law; and

C. Comply with all applicable Ohio laws.

4. The Fiscal Officer is directed to notify the Ohio Director of Public Safety of the authorization for the operation of under-speed vehicles, utility vehicles, and mini-trucks on public streets and highways under the jurisdiction of the Township.

5. The resolution shall have an effective date of April 1, 2021.



Department of Public Safety

### INSPECTION OF UNDER-SPEED VEHICLE, UTILITY VEHICLE, OR MINI-TRUCK

An inspection is being performed on the following vehicle type. (Check only one)

UNDER-SPEED VEHICLE

UTILITY VEHICLE

MINI-TRUCK

#### OWNER INFORMATION

NAME OF OWNER (PLEASE PRINT)			
STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP

#### VEHICLE INFORMATION

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)		GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT (UNDER-SPEED VEHICLE)
MAKE	MODEL	UNLADEN WEIGHT (MINI-TRUCK)

The above vehicle includes the following equipment as required:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Brakes  | <input type="checkbox"/> Steering mechanism                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brake lights (2 lights)                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Windshield                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Head lights (2 lights)                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Rearview mirror                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tail lights (2 lights)                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Tires (In safe operating conditions) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warning devices / reflectors (e.g., turn signals) |   |

**All equipment must be in proper working order to pass inspection.**

COMMENTS

NAME OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY			
STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
NAME OF ACTIVE OFFICER PERFORMING INSPECTION (PRINT NAME)		OFFICER BADGE #	

*I certify that the above vehicle has been physically inspected and complies with all requirements of Chapter 4501-30 of the Ohio Administrative Code and section 4511.215 of the Ohio Revised Code.*

OFFICER SIGNATURE	DATE
X	

**Note:** This inspection is verifying that the vehicle is properly equipped if it were to be used on roadways of 35 mph or less. It is the owner's / operator's responsibility to find out where the vehicle is allowed to be driven in each jurisdiction.

CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION – Golf Cart and Low Speed Vehicle Inspection Sheet					
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT 5714 Blessing Drive. Toledo, Ohio 43612					
Ohio Revised Code 4511.214: Every vehicle must adhere to Ohio state laws on the operation of vehicles. Vehicles must be driven in accordance with standard traffic laws per Ohio Revised Code, Chapter 4511. Operators must have a valid driver's license, Certificate of Inspection form, and proof of insurance on his/her person while operating. Washington Township Resolution 04:21 effective April 1, 2021					
For Ohio's Under speed Vehicle Law visit: <a href="http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/4511.214">http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/4511.214</a>					
NAME:		PHONE:		DATE:	
Owner must acknowledge and initial all boxes, to the left, below					
	Requires a valid driver's license for ANY operation of a MOTOR VEHICLE on a public or private property.			ORC 4510.12	
	One (1) seatbelt PER OCCUPANT of the cart.			ORC 4510.263	
	A child safety seat installed to manufacturer specifications for any occupant under the age of four or under 40-lbs. in weight.			ORC 4510.81	
	A child booster seat installed to manufacturer specifications for any occupant between the ages of four and eight or under 4'-9" in height			ORC 4510.81	
	Must show proof of insurance on listed golf cart.			ORC 4509.101	
	Must be equipped with rear tail light (only one (1) is required).			ORC 4513.05	
	Must have at least one (1) working brake light.			ORC 4513.071	
	Must have two (2) headlights (clear or white in color).			ORC 4513.04	
	Must have operating horn.			ORC 4513.21	
	Must have a rearview mirror (1)			ORC 4513.23	
	Must have a windshield (safety glass).			ORC 4513.24	
	Must have a windshield wiper			ORC 4513.24	
	Must have operating directional signals.			ORC 4513.261	
	Must have brakes sufficient to stop within 40 feet.			ORC 4513.20	
	Must have a working exhaust system if the cart has an internal combustion engine.			ORC 4513.22	
	Must have brackets for mounting two license plates (back).			ORC 4513.21	
INSPECTION DATE:	INSPECTED BY (OFFICER'S NAME):			UNIT/ID	INSPECTION PASSED: Y / N
INSPECTION FEE: \$25.00	FEE PAID (DATE)	PAYMENT		CASH	RECEIPT NUMBER
				CHECK	

Owner's Signature \_\_\_\_\_