



# Port Aransas Police Department

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## GOLF CART LAWS STRICTLY ENFORCED

Welcome to Port Aransas we hope that you enjoy your stay with us. We are one of the few cities in Texas that allows the operation of golf carts on city streets. The ordinance that authorizes golf cart operation includes a number of provisions to ensure the safety of the golf cart operator and the motoring public that share the roadways. It is your duty to know and obey the law before you operate a golf cart on city streets. These laws are strictly enforced by the Port Aransas Police Department.

- Golf carts are considered motor vehicles, most traffic laws apply to their operation, including, seat belt, open container and DWI laws.
- The beach is a city street.
- Golf carts may only be operated by persons with a valid operator's permit and/or driver's license.
- Golf carts may not be operated on highway 361, south of the intersection of Avenue G.
- Golf carts must move to the right and yield the right of way to faster moving vehicles.
- Golf carts may not be operated upon any public sidewalk, pedestrian walkway, playground, public park, school ground, or other public recreational areas, not designated for motor vehicle traffic.
- The driver and every occupant of a golf cart must remain seated in a seat designed to hold passengers, while the golf cart is in motion.
- No person may ride in the lap of the driver or any other occupant.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions concerning the operation of golf carts you should speak to your rental agent. A complete set of laws governing the rules of the road are available from your golf cart rental agent.

Sincerely

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Chief of Police