



Off-Highway Vehicles (OHVs) – Please take this [OHV Survey](#) today!

Many Towns and Counties in Colorado and across the country have considered or allowed Golf Carts and Off Highway Vehicles (OHVs) to be legalized for use on designated public roads. The Town of Silt is seeking public input on the question of allowing some type of use by Golf Carts and Off Highway Vehicles (OHVs) on designated Town roads.

The purpose of this Open House is to gather thoughts, opinions, and ideas concerning Golf Carts and OHV's for use within Town boundaries. Currently over 34 Towns and Counties in Colorado allow some type of use by Off Highway Vehicles or Golf carts on public roads. Garfield County allows the regulated use of OHV's on many miles of County roads just outside Town limits.

In many cases the reason behind the regulated use of these vehicles in various municipalities around Colorado is:

- Improved access between towns and wilderness riding areas
- Low cost and environmentally friendly access around town
- OHV friendly access to town by visitors of the area
- Family enjoyment and accessibility around town by OHV and Golf Cart users
- OHV access to Town by area farmers and ranchers.

The Town would appreciate your thoughts and opinions. Please read the list of basic rules that are in use by other communities and answer the following questions. Please feel free to add additional comments as needed. The information gathered will be used by Town Staff and the Silt Board of Trustees in evaluating the community's desire to pursue this possibility.

Basic Rules implemented in other communities for OHV's and Golf Carts include:

1. All drivers shall possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license.
2. Vehicles must be registered as required by the State of Colorado.
3. The number of persons allowed to travel in an OHV or Golf Cart must not exceed the manufacturer's designed limit.
4. The occupants of an OHV or Golf Cart shall wear safety belts if equipped by the manufacturer.
5. Child restraint systems shall be used in accordance with State law and manufacturers recommendations.
6. All occupants shall wear eye protection if the vehicle is not equipped with a windshield.
7. All occupants under the age of 18 shall wear a helmet at all times.
8. All vehicles shall be properly insured with at least the state required levels of liability insurance.
9. No vehicle shall be allowed to operate on Main Street or other State of Colorado owned and maintained roads.
10. All vehicles shall be subject to all motor vehicle rules and regulations.