

**BYLAW 911-R-02-25  
TOWN OF COALDALE  
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

**BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF COALDALE  
TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION, REGULATION, AND CONTROL  
OF VEHICLES ON HIGHWAYS  
AND MUNICIPAL LANDS IN THE TOWN OF COALDALE.**

**WHEREAS** the *Municipal Government Act* provides that a council of a municipality may pass bylaws for the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property.

**AND WHEREAS** the *Traffic Safety Act* provides that a council of a municipality may by bylaw authorize or issue a permit authorizing a person to drive golf carts along any portion of a highway within the municipality subject to the conditions outlined in the Pilot Project (Golf Carts) Regulation;

**AND WHEREAS** the *Traffic Safety Act* further provides that a council of a municipality may by bylaw regulate and control the operation of golf carts on highways which are subject to the direction, control and management of the municipality and on property that is not a highway and is located within the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** the Town of Coaldale believes that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Town that a bylaw be passed to regulate and control the operation of golf carts for the sole purpose of travel to and from the golf course, pursuant to the powers granted to municipalities under the *Traffic Safety Act*.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Town of Coaldale in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

**1. TITLE**

This bylaw shall be known as the “Pilot Project (Golf Carts) Bylaw.”

**2. APPLICATION**

This bylaw applies to all golf carts operated on highways within Coaldale Alberta.

**3. DEFINITIONS**

Definitions in the Pilot Project (Golf Carts) Regulation, and definitions in the *Traffic Safety Act* and its regulations, as applicable, are adopted for the purposes of the interpretation and the application of this bylaw.

In this bylaw:

- a) “Act” means the *Traffic Safety Act*, RSA 2000, T-6;
- b) “Council” refers to the Council of the Town of Coaldale, and as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, M-26;
- c) “CAO” means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Coaldale, or designate;
- d) “Designated Highway” means a highway identified by the Town and approved by the Registrar as a highway that golf carts may operate on;
- e) “Owner” has the same meaning within the Act and further includes a person who is identified in a Permit issued under Section 7 of this bylaw;
- f) “Peace Officer” means:
  - i. a Police Officer,
  - ii. a person appointed as a Peace Officer pursuant to the *Peace Officer Act*, S.A.2006, c. P-3.5, or
  - iii. a person appointed as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, M-26.
- g) “Permit” means a permit issued in accordance with this Bylaw under Section 7.
- h) “Registrar” means the Registrar of Motor Vehicle Services and includes any person who, on the directions of the Registrar, is acting on behalf of the Registrar of Motor Vehicle Services;

#### **4. OPERATION RESTRICTIONS FOR GOLF CARTS**

No person shall:

- a) Operate a golf cart in a manner contrary to the Act, its regulations, or this bylaw.
- b) Operate a golf cart unless they are the holder of a valid operator’s license (Class 1 – 7), issued pursuant to the Act.
- c) Operate a golf cart on any highway unless it is on a designated highway.
- d) Operate a golf cart on a highway, unless they are in possession of a valid permit issued in respect of that golf cart.
- e) Operate a golf cart on a highway unless they are in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in a permit.

- f) Operate a golf cart on a designated highway rate of speed exceeding 30 Km/h.
- g) Operate a golf cart other than one (1) hour after sunrise or one (1) hour before sunset.
- h) Operate a golf cart:
  - (i) Without exercising due care and attention,
  - (ii) Without reasonable consideration for other persons in the area or who might reasonably be expected to be in the area,
  - (iii) With more passengers than the design of the golf cart can safely handle,
  - (iv) With any person being towed on, or
  - (v) With any type of equipment or trailer attached to the golf cart,
  - (vi) Which has not been maintained as prescribed by the manufacturer or has faulty or inoperable equipment,
  - (vii) Which has been home built or modified.

## **5. OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR GOLF CARTS**

Every operator of a golf cart shall:

- a) When approaching an oncoming vehicle, pass the vehicle on the right,
- b) Yield the right of way to vehicles approaching from their right,
- c) When overtaking another vehicle which is parked, pass that vehicle on the left,
- d) Yield the right of way to all pedestrians that are approaching so close as to present a hazard, and
- e) Except when overtaking another vehicle, maintain a safe following distance behind any other vehicle.

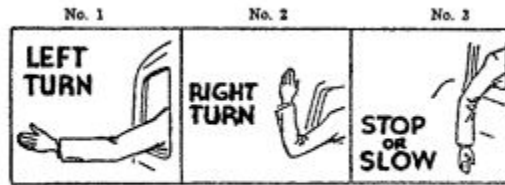
## **6. SIGNALLING INTENTIONS**

- a) A person driving a golf cart shall indicate that person's intention to carry out the following by doing the following:
  - (i) in the case of turning to the left, by extending that person's left hand and arm horizontally from and beyond the left side of the vehicle,
  - (ii) in the case of turning to the right, by extending that person's left hand and arm beyond the left side of the vehicle and upward
  - (iii) in the case of stopping or decreasing speed, by extending that person's left hand and arm beyond the left side of the

vehicle and downward

- (iv) in the case of starting from a parallel park position on the right side of the roadway, by extending that person's left hand and arm horizontally from and beyond the left side of the vehicle

- (v) as indicated in the following diagram:



- b) If a golf cart is equipped with stop lamps, signal lamps front and rear, hand signals are not required if the lamps are used to indicate movement.

## 7. DESIGNATED HIGHWAYS

Council hereby designates those highways included in Schedule 'A' as designated highways for the purposes of this bylaw.

- a) Any changes to designated highways shall be submitted to the Registrar for approval.
- b) The speed of a Designated Highway for vehicles other than Golf Carts shall not exceed 50 Km/h
- c) The CAO shall ensure signs are erected on designated highways.
  - (i) Signs shall be in the form and manner set out in Schedule 'B'.

## 8. PERMITS

Council hereby authorizes the CAO to issue permits, attach conditions, and to charge a fee to regulate and control golf carts within the Town.

- a) Permits at a minimum shall include:
  - (i) The owners name and operator's license information,
  - (ii) Proof of liability insurance in the amount of \$2,000,000,
  - (iii) Make, model, serial number of golf cart,
  - (iv) Conditions and responsibilities of golf cart operators and owners, and
  - (v) Any other information as required by the Registrar.

- b) Permits shall only be valid from January 1 - December 31 of any one calendar year.
- c) Permits shall be attached to the golf cart and clearly visible.
- d) Permit fees are identified in the Town's Fees and Rates Bylaw.

## **9. COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT**

### **Stopping for Peace Officer**

- a) For the purposes of administering and enforcing this bylaw, a Peace Officer may:
  - (i) Signal or direct a driver of a golf cart to stop the vehicle, and
  - (ii) Request information from the driver of the golf cart and any passengers on or in the vehicle.
- b) When signaled or directed to stop by a Peace Officer, a driver of a golf cart shall:
  - (i) bring the vehicle to a stop,
  - (ii) furnish to the Peace Officer:
    - (1) Their operator's license issued pursuant to the Act,
    - (2) Any permit issued pursuant to this bylaw, and
    - (3) Any other information respecting the driver or the vehicle that the Peace Officer requires, and
  - (iii) remain stopped until permitted by the Peace Officer to leave.

## **10. OFFENCES**

- a) The operator of a golf cart that is involved in a contravention of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable upon summary conviction to a fine specified in the Fees and Rates Bylaw.
- b) The owner of a golf cart involved in a contravention of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable upon summary conviction to a fine specified in the Fees and Rates Bylaw.

## **11. VIOLATION TAG**

- a) A Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a Violation Tag to any person who the Peace Officer has reasonable and probable

grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this bylaw.

**12. VIOLATION TICKET**

- a) A Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a violation ticket, pursuant to Part II of the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act* (Alberta), to any person who the Peace Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this bylaw.

**13. SEVERABILITY**

- a) Should any section or part of this bylaw be found to have been improperly enacted, such section shall be deemed to be severable from all other sections of this bylaw.

**14. GENERAL**

- a) This bylaw shall be in effect on:
  - (i) The date of the final passing thereof, and
  - (ii) Upon the approval of the Registrar.
- b) This bylaw shall expire on June 14, 2029.

READ a FIRST time this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2025, for Pilot Project (Golf Carts) Bylaw 911-R-02-25.

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Mayor – Jack Van Rijn  
Motion:

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CAO – Kalen Hastings

READ a SECOND time this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2025, for Pilot Project (Golf Carts) Bylaw 911-R-02-25.

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Mayor – Jack Van Rijn  
Motion:

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CAO – Kalen Hastings

UNANIMOUS CONSENT to hold all THREE readings in one meeting this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2025, for Pilot Project (Golf Carts) Bylaw 911-R-02-25.

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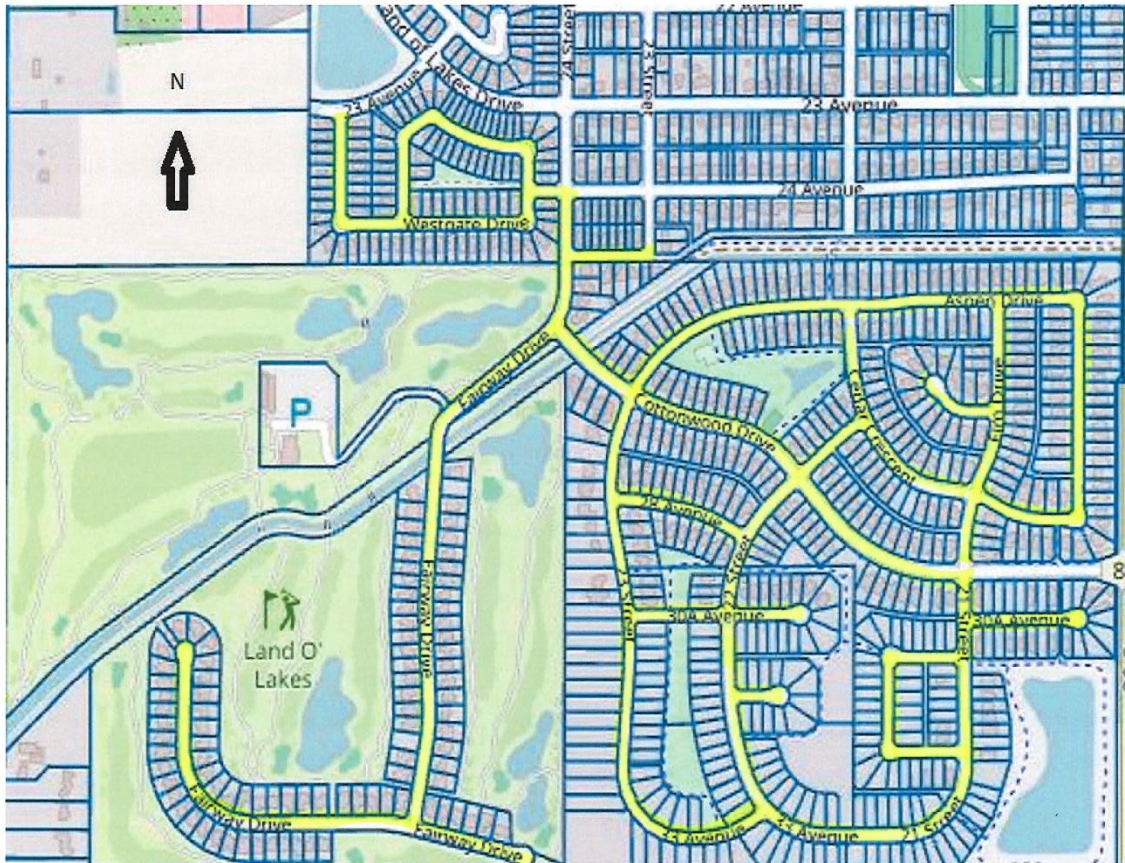
READ a THIRD and FINAL time this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2025, for Pilot Project (Golf Carts) Bylaw 911-R-02-25.

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Motion:

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## Schedule "A"

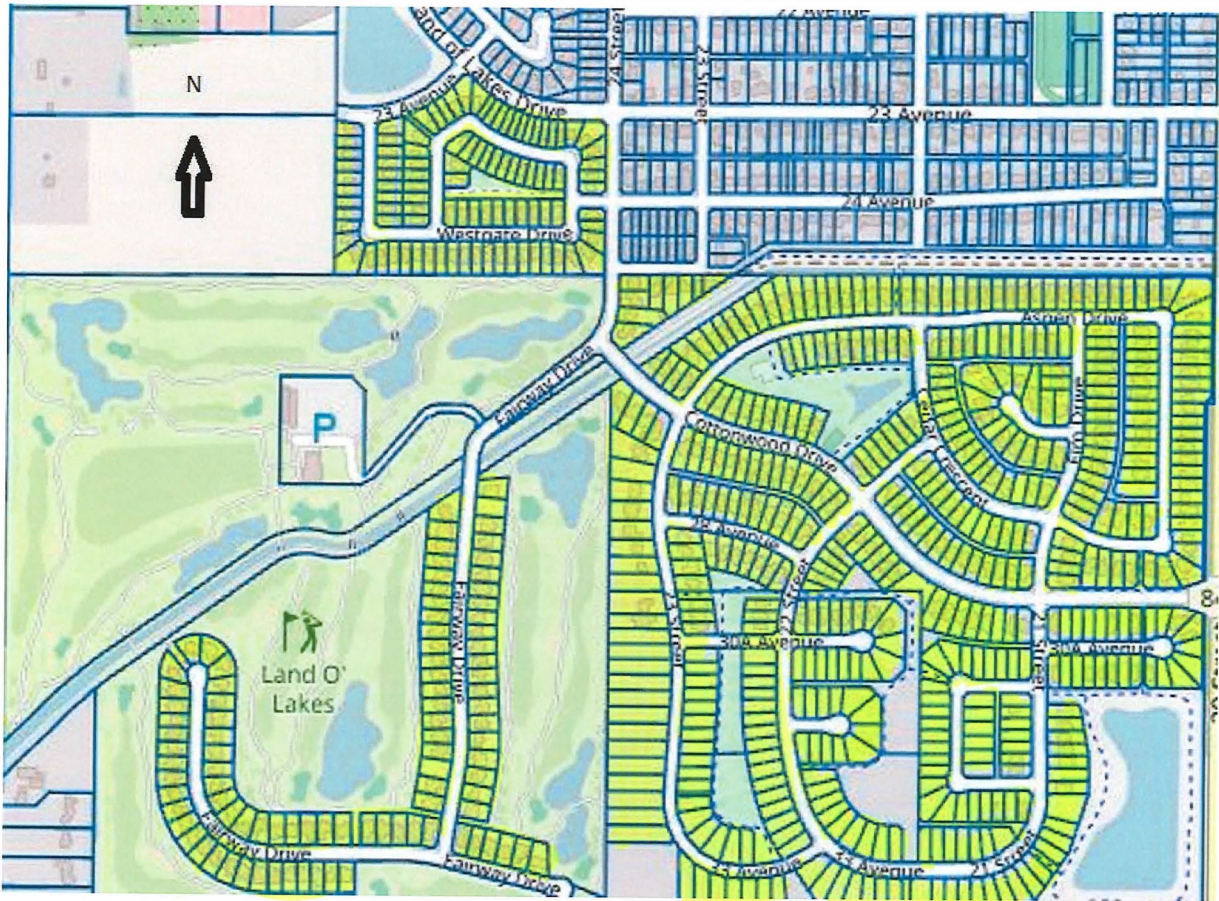
### Approved Roadways



Schedule "A" Designated Highways



Properties In-Scope



Properties - In-Scope

**Schedule “B”**

