

**The Knoxville Police Department welcomes all competitors, fans, vendors, and guests to the Knoxville Nationals. We hope that you enjoy your time here and ask that you follow our laws so that everyone will be safe and able to enjoy the event.**

**Below are the answers to several Frequently Asked Questions.**

**How do I contact the Police?**

The Police Department is located at 305 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. After hours there is an intercom in the lobby to speak with a dispatcher. Our phone numbers are 641-828-0554 for non-emergencies and 9-1-1 for emergency help. Current technology allows dispatchers to locate your 911 call within 100 feet even if you do not know your location. The Police Department business office may be reached by calling 641-828-0541 during business hours or you may send an email message to the chief of police at [policechief@cityofknoxville.us](mailto:policechief@cityofknoxville.us).

**What are the rules about using golf carts and utility vehicles in Knoxville?**

Golf carts may be used on city streets by persons possessing a valid driver's license. The golf carts shall be equipped with a slow moving vehicle sign, bicycle safety flag, and the driver must carry proof of liability insurance for the cart. Golf carts may operate on the streets only from sunrise to sunset and cannot be used on Highway 14, Lincoln Street. Utility vehicles (Mules, Gators, Raiders, etc.) may also be used if they have a City permit. Those permits are available at the Police Department for \$25. Golf carts and utility vehicles are limited to carrying only as many people as there are seats. No one may ride on a lap or in the cargo area of either vehicle.

ATVs are not allowed to be driven on any City street.

**What are the rules about using mopeds in Iowa?**

Mopeds (50cc's or less) may be operated by anyone possessing a valid operator's license. The moped must be registered and insured. Only the operator may be on the moped – no passengers are allowed. Bicycle safety flags required on motorized bicycles. When operated on a highway, a motorized bicycle shall have a bicycle safety flag, which extends not less than five feet above the ground attached to the rear of the motorized bicycle. The bicycle safety flag shall be triangular in shape with an area of not less than thirty square inches, and be Day-Glo in color. The operator must obey all Iowa traffic and safety laws when riding a moped. Use of a helmet by the operator is encouraged.

**May I drive my racecar to the car wash?**

Racecars may not be driven on any street. A car may be trailered or towed, but not pushed by another vehicle on a street.

**May I work on my car on a City street?**

No. Repairs are not allowed to be done on City streets.

**Where may I park my camper, trailer, or race support vehicle?**

It is illegal to park any vehicle with a length of over 20 feet on a City street. Several businesses and private parties make lots available for parking.

**Where may I drink alcoholic beverages?**

Consumption of alcoholic beverages is allowed on licensed properties only. It is illegal to consume alcoholic beverages on any City owned property including parks, streets, and sidewalks or on unlicensed private property.

**May I drink alcoholic beverages in my vehicle?**

It is illegal to consume alcoholic beverages in any motor vehicle. It is also illegal to have any open or unsealed container of alcoholic beverages in the passenger compartment of a vehicle. Both the driver and any passengers may be charged.

**Can I be arrested for walking while intoxicated?**

It is illegal to be intoxicated or to simulate being intoxicated in public.

**May people under 21 years of age be in a bar?**

It is illegal for anyone under the age of 21 to enter or remain in any business where the sale of alcoholic beverages accounts for more than half of total business sales.

**Is there a curfew for people under 18?**

No one under 18 may be in any public place or business between midnight and 5:00 a.m. unless in the company of a parent or guardian over the age of 21 years.

**May I use my paintball gun in the City?**

It is illegal to use or shoot any firearm, airgun, Airsoft, paintball gun, BB gun, slingshot, bow and arrow, or other toy or dangerous instrument in the City. It is also unlawful to throw items into any street or public place.

**How will the City notify people about severe weather?**

Local radio stations broadcast all weather alerts. Additionally, storm sirens are positioned around the City which are activated when severe weather is imminent.

