



Driving in Fairfield Glade

While driving in Fairfield Glade, it is important to follow the rules of the road in order to maneuver safely.

Roads

Most of the roads in Fairfield Glade are county roads. "Use of the roadways in Fairfield Glade are basically governed by two different entities: Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and Cumberland County Commission." They are maintained by the county and patrolled by the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department in conjunction with the Fairfield Glade Police Department. The one main road, Peavine Road is the only state road in Fairfield Glade and is also known as State Road 101. It runs North and South and is called Peavine Road from the roundabout in Crossville, over I-40 and over to the intersection of Catoosa Blvd and Westchester Drive. Peavine Road is patrolled by the TN Highway Police and the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department for most of the length. The Fairfield Glade Police Department assists them once in the Glade, from St. George Drive to Catoosa Blvd and Westchester Drive.

The roads in Fairfield Glade are primarily for vehicular use. Most of the roads do not have sidewalks or level shoulders. Although pedestrians, bicycles, e-bikes and horses are permitted on the road, there are restrictions they need to follow. They must stay to the right. It is important to note that pedestrians do **not** have the right of way unless they are in a marked crosswalk.

Speed Limits

The speed limit in Fairfield Glade is set by the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT). Most of the roads in Fairfield Glade have a posted speed limit of 30 MPH. There is one section on Anglewood Drive between Lakeview Drive and Lakeside Drive where the speed limit is 20 MPH. On Peavine Road, most of the length has a 45 MPH limit but changes to 30 MPH once you reach the LSTs. That information is posted right after Westminster Court as shown below.



The sign on the left is found after Westminster Court and is followed by the sign on the right.




Five-Lane Road

When the new Peavine Road construction was completed in August 2021, Peavine Road became a five-lane road for most of way. The following needs to be observed:



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- ❖ Peavine Road is mostly a five-lane road: two lanes of traffic on each side and one center lane.
 - ❖ Motorists shall travel at the posted speed limit in either the left or right lanes, but not in the center lane.
 - ❖ Motorists travelling at less than the posted speed limit of traffic shall drive in the right-hand lane.
 - ❖ Motorists shall let emergency vehicles (fire, police, ambulance with sirens and lights flashing) have right of way. Motorists will need to pull off to the right to let those emergency vehicles go by.
 - ❖ The middle lane shall be used for the purpose of making a left turn into a business, driveway or a cross street only. You will see signs like this along Peavine Road. You must use this lane for turning left when the center lane is provided. Enter the lane making sure you have signaled. Once safe, turn left. **Do NOT** travel in the center lane to access a left turn at an intersection. If another vehicle is already in the center lane coming from the other direction, you may **NOT** enter it if it will interfere with the other vehicle's intended turn.
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- ❖ The center turning lane is **not** to be used as a passing lane.
 - ❖ The center turning lane is **not** to be used as a merging lane from a cross street to go into traffic.
 - ❖ The paved areas along Peavine Road between the curb and the solid white lines are shoulders. Please:
 - **do not** use this area for on-street parking. According to the TDOT, on-street parking could hinder sight distance at intersections and driveways.
 - **do not** use this area to make a right turn. It is **not** a turn lane nor are there any arrows or broken lines indicating you may use it for that purpose. It is illegal and using this area for a right turn lane could result in a car accident. An example of this is at the entrance to Food City. If you wrongly use the shoulder area for a right turn, as you turn, you will quickly see that there is no place for you to continue driving without merging into the lane where a right turn is permitted and a car may already be there.



There is a shoulder (or emergency lane) to the Right. You may not use this lane as a turn lane. It is illegal to do so and may result in an accident when you attempt to turn and have no lane to move into, as shown on the right.





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School Buses

It is the responsibility of motorists to stop when approaching a stopped school bus with its lights blinking. They are to remain stopped until the bus's lights come off and the bus's stop sign is retracted to the side of the bus. That is true even on Peavine Road where there are five lanes of traffic. All the lanes must stop to allow children getting off the bus to move to the side they need to access their homes.

Low Speed Vehicles – “Low speed vehicles that meet certain statutory requirements may be titled and registered in Tennessee for use on roads with a speed limit of thirty0five miles per hour (35 mph) or less. Generally, golf carts are excluded, unless they are specifically designed and manufactured for on road use or have been modified to meet all the statutory requirements and safety standards outlined” here. ATVs are **not** permissible to be driven on any state or county roads by the general public.

Golf Crossings

Because there are five golf courses in Fairfield Glade, there are times when in order to access the next hole, you will need to ride across one of the county roads. It is the car on the county road that has right of way and **not** the golf cart wanting to cross the road. The golf cart must make a full stop and watch for clear traffic before crossing the county road.

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