

Golf Cart Operation Safety

Note: This document should be copied and given to all personnel prior to assigning them a golf cart or similar vehicle.

Each individual that utilizes a golf cart for the tournament has a responsibility to ensure the cart is operated and maintained in a safe manner. Responsible driving requires concentration, sound judgement, and common sense on your part. Don't compromise your health and safety or the health and safety of others by operating carts irresponsibly.

Please read and observe these rules so accidents and injuries can be prevented. In addition, please sign the Statement of Agreement below which indicates you have read and will abide by these rules.

1. The cart should only be driven by you. No one else should drive the cart unless your physical impairment prevents you from driving. If someone else must drive the cart, make sure they are aware of and abide by these rules.
2. Do not allow any other non-approved individual to borrow the cart. Familiarize yourself with controls, key starter, accelerator, brakes, reverse and steering.
3. The number of passengers in the cart should be limited to the number of seats; most carts are designed for a driver and **one passenger**. Remind passengers to 'Hold On' to grab handles.
4. Never operate the cart after drinking alcoholic beverages or taking drugs. If you are taking prescribed pain medication and it makes you drowsy or unable to concentrate, do not drive the cart.
5. Know what the weather conditions are. If the weather is bad, leave early and adjust your speed when necessary. Allow more time to get where you are going. Allow for extra stopping distances on wet surfaces.
6. Always drive defensively. Don't assume you always have the right-of-way. Slow down when you approach pedestrians. Make sure pedestrians are aware of your presence before you pass them. Be aware of and react properly to bicyclists and motor vehicles.
7. Do not drive the cart on public roads if at all possible. Only cross these roads when necessary and obey all traffic signals and rules when crossing.
8. When driving on public roads, (including driveways, walkways) operate the cart as a licensed motor vehicle. Obey all traffic signs and right-of-way rules. Signal all turns and check all directions before making a turn or entering an intersection.
9. When approaching public roads, slow down and stop before entering or crossing the road. Look both ways twice before crossing. Be aware that your cart does not accelerate as quickly as most vehicles. Allow extra time when crossing.
10. If you are on a sidewalk or road and the cart stops or will not operate, push the cart off the sidewalk or road, if possible, and inform the appropriate individual responsible for the cart's

maintenance.

11. Use caution when going downhill, reduce speed, cover brake, and avoid sharp turns.
12. Do not carry equipment or supplies unless properly stored/secured to prevent these objects from falling off carts.
13. Always remove keys and secure the cart when the cart is unattended. Avoid parking on inclines whenever possible.
14. The use of cell phones or texting should never be performed while driving the golf cart.

STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

The below-named individual signifies that he/she has read and is willing to abide by these rules for proper golf cart operation.

(Operator)

(Date)