



Policy for use of a Golf Buggy

1.0 Purpose

To ensure that all Members and Visitors have equal opportunity to use the course for playing golf. Some members, due to a disability, as defined within the Equality Legislation, or infirmity may not be able to play golf without the use of a buggy. This policy ensures those individuals are treated fairly and that their use of a buggy takes place in a controlled and safe manner.

2.0 Scope

The term golf buggy applies to vehicles that enable Members or Visitors to move freely around the course while playing the game of golf. A buggy may be either a two seat golf cart type of vehicle or a personal mobility enhancing vehicle. This policy applies equally to Members and Visitors.

3.0 Policy Statement

3.1 The Club will allow buggies on the course, provided it is safe to do so, and by all players, provided they abide by this policy and its implementing procedures. Members who need to request authorisation to use a personally owned golf buggy shall follow procedure PR2020-001, while visitors or members who rent a Club owned buggy shall follow procedure PR2020-002.

3.2 The ability to operate a buggy safely depends not only upon the need and condition of the operator, but also upon the condition of the course. Course conditions that may render it unsafe for buggy use may include excessive fog, rain, frost, snow, or ice. The Club will strive to identify safer, flatter or better drained portions of the course upon which buggies may be safely used. If it is not safe to allow buggies on the course, or course conditions dictate then the use of buggies will not be permitted. The decision regarding the safe use of buggies will be made by the Head Greenkeeper or the Assistant Greenkeepers on a daily basis. If the Greenkeeping staff are not available, then the Club Professional/Club Shop Supervisor on duty will determine whether and where buggies may be safely used on the course.

3.3 In order to protect the course during winter conditions the use of buggies should be kept to a minimum, and consequently there shall be no more than one two seater buggy allowed per two-ball, or two two-seater buggies allowed per three or four-ball. There will be no restriction on the number of single seater buggies used per tee time.

4.0 Related Policies

[PL2020-003 Equality Policy](#)

[PL2019-006 Course Closure Policy](#)

5.0 Implementing Procedure and Forms

[PR2020-001 Procedure for Requesting Authorisation to Use a Personally Owned Buggy](#)

[PR2020-002 Procedure for Renting a Golf Buggy](#)

[PR2019-031 Procedure for Closing the Golf Course](#)

[FR2020-002 Medical Certification of Need for a Golf Buggy](#)

[FR2020-003 Member Request to Use a Golf Buggy](#)

[FR2020-004 Golf Buggy Conformity and Maintenance](#)

[FR2020-005 Golf Buggy Safe Operating Requirements](#)

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6.0 Record of Approval

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