

COURTOWN GOLF CLUB GOLF BUGGY SAFETY POLICY

The Club has a duty of care to all users of the golf course and its environs. The topography of certain areas of the course is such that caution and prudence must be shown by the user of a Golf Buggy. It is also necessary for the Club to provide adequately safe means of access for all golfers including those given permission to use golf buggies.

Moreover, the Club has to ensure the safety of golfers who do not wish to use golf buggies, but who might be at risk from a mechanically defective golf buggy or its careless use. This duty of care also applies to members of the public who may, from time to time, justifiably be on the course.

To assist the safe employment of golf buggies all potential users (members and visitors) shall comply with the following conditions:

1. Only recognised golf buggies- with three or four wheels - are permitted at Courtown Golf Club.
2. All Golf Buggies must be fully appropriately insured.
3. Privately owned buggies must be transported to Courtown Golf Club within the confines of the owner's vehicle.
4. Facilities to store privately owned buggies are available at Courtown Golf Club, but only with prior agreement by the Honorary Secretary or Manager (storage of golf buggies is at owner's risk).
5. Member's privately owned buggies on Courtown Golf Club property are only for the use of those members mentioned on the golf buggy insurance certificate, or with the permission of the named insured person, any person authorised to drive any insured vehicle.
6. Golf buggies must be operated with the utmost courtesy to care, and with consideration for the safety and convenience of pedestrians. Pedestrians must be afforded the right of way at all times.
7. The signs and instructions erected on the course to warn golf buggy users of potential danger areas, or areas forbidden to golf buggies because of concerns about danger, or the potential to cause unacceptable wear and tear to the course must be followed at all times.

8. Golf buggies must be operated and parked in such a manner that they do not impede or interfere with the normal pedestrian or vehicular flow on roadways, pathways, ramps, pavements and the buggy park, and must not be parked in car parking facilities.

9. Golf buggy operators will be responsible for the security of ignition keys for the period that the buggy is on the property owned by the Club.

10. Courtown Golf Club has no responsibility for ensuring the safe operation of golf buggies on, or beyond the confines of the course and the club car park other than those operated by their staff or agents. The Club will accept no responsibility for any loss or damage caused to any property other than that arising from the negligent use of a golf buggy by their staff or agents. It is imperative that owners of buggies (members) must have liability insurance included in their insurance policy.

11. No person under the age of eighteen(18) years is permitted to operate a buggy.

12. No golf buggy will be operated in excess of 16km/10 miles an hour.

Golf buggies shall only be used between dusk and dawn.

13. Golf buggies must be used in compliance with the common 'rules of the road' regardless of whether golf buggies are operated on pathways or roadways.

14. Operators must stop the golf buggy at blind intersections and proceed with caution.

15. Golf buggy operators must not be under the influence of alcoholic drinks nor drugs and the consumption of alcohol and/or the improper use of drugs when using a golf buggy is not permitted.

16. All buggy owners are responsible for maintaining their buggy in good working order.

17. The Management Committee has the authority to immediately suspend or prohibit any individual from using or being carried in a golf buggy. Application for reinstatement of permission to use a Club/private owned buggy can only be made to the Management Committee.