



LOCAL RULE – TRANSPORTATION – THE USE OF GOLF BUGGIES [Single and Two-Seater]

POLICY CONTEXT

R&A Rule 2-14 states: The use of golf buggies (i.e. ride-on motorised vehicles) during a competition is permitted unless their use is specifically prohibited in the conditions of the competition.

Burgham Park Golf Club supports the policy of The R&A to encourage golfers with physical difficulties to play the game if at all possible, and recognise that the use of a Buggy can greatly assist many in doing so.

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In considering all of the issues surrounding the use of a Buggy the Committee, in conjunction with the Club Owner has decided that Golf Buggies, including Privately-Owned Golf Buggies, may be used in club competitions at Burgham Park Golf Club; subject to the following competition conditions:

- 1. 36 Hole Competitions (Played on the same day)**
 - 1.1. The use of Golf Buggies, including Privately-Owned Golf Buggies will only be permitted for competitors in these competitions with a Medical Exemption Certificate [MEC] provided by a suitably qualified clinician at the personal cost to the competitor.
 - 1.2. A copy of the MEC should be held on file for as long as it is in effect.
Note: A competitor may obtain an MEC for either a permanent or time-limiting clinical condition or due to their physical limitations associated with the aging process.

- 2. 9 and 18 hole Competitions**

The use of Golf Buggies, including Privately-Owned Golf Buggies may be used by any member in these competitions.

Exceptions

The only occasions whereby a golfer will be refused permission to use a Buggy in such a club competition is when, after assessment of ground conditions, the Club staff may determine that the state of the course or the weather is such that safety or the condition of the course may be unacceptably compromised if a ride-on buggy is used by anyone. This might apply to the whole or just part of the course. Potentially unsuitable conditions include waterlogging, frost, etc. Where such conditions arise, the Club will review the situation on at least a daily basis.