



GOLF BUGGY & TROLLEY POLICY

Due to the terrain and structure of Northampton Golf Club, caution must be shown by the user of a Golf Buggy or Trolley. It is also necessary for Northampton Golf Club to provide adequately safe means of access for all Golfers including those given permission to use Golf Buggies.

Northampton Golf Club must also ensure the safety of Golfers who do not wish to use Golf Buggies but who might be at risk from careless use. This duty of care also applies to Members of the Public who use the footpath that runs through part of the Course.

To assist the safe use of Golf Buggies, all potential users shall comply with the following conditions:

- Have read and understood the rules of operating a Golf Buggy.
- No Young Persons under the age of 18 are permitted to operate a Golf Buggy.
- The consumption of alcohol and/or the improper use of drugs when using a Golf Buggy is not permitted.

Buggy & Trolley Restrictions:

At certain times, the general condition of Northampton Golf Club may not allow the use of Buggies or Trolleys, and a ban on their use will be put in place. When necessary, the Head Greenkeeper will make the decision based on the safety of Golfers and if the Golf Course will incur any long term agronomic damage.

However, when the general provision of Buggies has been suspended, Northampton Golf Club recognises that some Golfers are unable to play. When restrictions apply we would encourage all Golfers to carry, perhaps carrying fewer clubs than normal.

We do not wish to discriminate against any Golfers and whilst we would encourage any Golfer to carry, in these circumstances we appreciate this will not suit all Players.

Therefore we will work on a Green, Amber and Red System for all Golfers to follow accordingly. During the period of 1st November – 28th February, only those Golfers with Medical Exemptions will be allowed to use Buggies.

Players who choose to use a Buggy, during restricted periods, will be allowed to do so but will be required to use a specific route, and/or find that a shortened Course is in operation.

TRAFFIC LIGHT SYSTEM - BUGGY & TROLLEY STATUS THAT CAN BE USED WHEN CONDITIONS ALLOW

	GREEN	AMBER*	RED
BUGGIES	HOLES 1-18	HOLES 10-18	NOT PERMITTED
TROLLEYS	HOLES 1-18	HOLES 1-18	HOLES 1-18
CARRYING	HOLES 1-18	HOLES 1-18	HOLES 1-18

**During Amber Warnings, only those with Medical Dispensation will be allowed to use a Buggy.*

On occasions, Northampton Golf Club will indicate if the Course or a part of the Course is not in a suitable/safe condition for use on that day and may further restrict the use of Buggies and Trolleys in these areas.

In the event that Northampton Golf Club believes, for reasons of Health and Safety, that a Golf Buggy should not be used by Golfers on the Course, permission will not be granted to anybody even through Medical Dispensation.

Failure to agree to the above requirements may result in the Golfer being denied permission to use a Golf Buggy.

This decision will be communicated to the golfers through several methods:

- Website: www.northamptongolfclub.co.uk
- Course Information Board
- Course Information Line – 07860 923030
- Contacting the Professional Shop on 01604 845167

This decision will be reviewed on a Regular or Daily basis.