

## FORE YOUR SAFETY!

Promoting Tournament Safety for Employees, Volunteers, Players, and Guests

## Golf Cart Safety – "Not Go-Carts"

In tournament а golf environment, golf carts, are specifically used for the transportation of equipment, supplies and the transportation of people. Recognizing that golf carts are moving vehicles and are considered important pieces of equipment, the PGA TOUR has established safety rules and procedures to help ensure safe operation.

By studying and abiding by the following golf cart safety best practices you will be doing your part to make your tournament a safer place.

## **Safe Operation**

Each individual utilizing a golf cart at a PGA TOUR event is expected to operate them in a safe and courteous manner. Safe operation includes, but is not limited to:

**Safe Speed:** The maximum speed should be equivalent to a well-paced walk in congested areas and adjustments made in response to topography, weather and proximity to others.

**Backing Up:** Operators should be hyper vigilant and aware of their surroundings prior to backing up, this includes checking to see if the forward/reverse toggle is in the appropriate position. Golf cart buzzers should be active and audible to alert drivers to the proper direction.



**Turns & Operation:** Avoid excessive speeds, especially when making a turn. Always drive straight up and down a hill to prevent a rollover.



**Operator & Passenger Use:** Never overload the golf cart with passengers or equipment and never allow people to ride in the bed (if applicable). When operating in the dark, ensure that the lights are activated. Only operate a golf cart if you are an authorized driver and have gone through training.



Adhere to all applicable traffic laws and never operate a golf cart under the influence.

**Parking:** Set the parking brake and de-energize (remove the key) the golf cart prior to exiting. Never leave the key in the ignition when leaving the golf cart unattended.



OPERATOR REMOVING KEY

**Designated Paths:** Drivers are to stay in designated areas and should abide by signage and/or physical barriers.

Maintenance & Return: Report any and all defects and damage to tournament staff and/or golf cart committee. Never try to push or pull a golf cart as you could injure yourself or damage critical engine parts.

Remember, golf carts are a privilege, not a right or status symbol. So walk when you can so that you can enjoy the golf course and tournament as it was meant to be enjoyed!