



# Riverside Golf Course Cart Policy 2023

**This Policy applies to all members.**

1. All Members motorised carts must be registered with the Office. Once registered the owner will be issued with a numbered label which must be displayed on the buggy.
2. All motorised golf cart drivers must possess a current driver's license or have attained the age of 18.
3. Do not operate golf carts under the influence of alcohol.
4. Unlicensed drivers are advised that the Riverside Golf Course car park is designated as a Road Related Area under Victorian Traffic Regulations requiring a driver to hold a current driver's license to operate thereon.
5. Unlicensed drivers are advised to carefully check the provisions of their insurance policy PRIOR to driving on any Road Related Area noting that the Club's Insurance excludes unlicensed drivers in the car park.
6. All owners of motorised carts must have their buggy insured against personal accident and property damage as well as public liability for 3rd party injury and property.
7. Proof of insurance for carts MUST be returned with this signed Policy to ensure currency and adequacy of insurance.
8. A member MUST advise Bluefit of any change to the insurance arrangements covering their motorised cart within 7 days of the change. Riverside Golf Course/Bluefit and all Directors, Management and Staff are indemnified of any liability arising from an incident involving a cart that is uninsured.
9. I agree to indemnify Riverside Golf Course/Bluefit and all Directors, Management and staff from any liability arising from the use of a Motorized Cart by any persons authorized by me (express or implied) that contravenes the provisions of this Policy. I further agree that the use of my motorized cart (or a cart hired individually or in a shared capacity) by any of my siblings who do not satisfy Clause 2 above will be deemed to have been authorized by me.
10. The vehicle must be operated from the driver's side only.
11. All golfers and motorised carts shall give way to course staff and machinery.
12. To prevent possible serious injury, driver and passenger must keep their entire bodies within the vehicle.
13. To prevent falls from the vehicle, remain seated when the vehicle is moving and hold onto handles or hand rails at all times.
14. Do not overload the vehicle and never have more passengers than seats available (eg 1 bench seat = 1 driver and 1 passenger).



15. To avoid possible injury to passengers, pedestrians, drivers or damage to other vehicles, avoid sudden starts, sudden stops and abrupt turns. Also reduce speed in crowded areas/roads and for turning.
16. To avoid the possibility of losing control of the vehicles, reduce speed for adverse driving conditions such as wet grass or rough terrain.
17. Do not drive under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medications that adversely affect your ability to drive or react.
18. Carts are to be driven on carts paths provided and park Indian file at tees and greens on the paths and follow directional signs where displayed unless a medical exemption is granted.
19. Drive carts on the closely mown portions of the fairways or outside the tree lines, stay out of roughs on edges of fairways and green and tee surrounds.
20. Keep carts at least 15 metres from tees, greens and bunkers except when on a formed path. Carts are NOT permitted inside the marked or roped areas.
21. Park carts to the rear of greens or to the side leading to the next tee, NEVER in front of greens. This will greatly assist the Pace of Play.
22. DO NOT drive over any mounds on the course or slopes around tees and greens.
23. If course conditions are wet, carts should only travel on the driest and firmest parts of the golf course and should stay away from critical golf areas as much as possible.
24. Further restrictions will apply in wet and frosty conditions.
25. Please consider your fellow golfer and do not drive in the vicinity of golfers who are putting or are about to strike the ball.
26. No “hitting the skids”, wheelies or other course damaging driving. In order to protect the course and provide the best playing conditions for all golfers, the management committee has implemented the following:
  - a. Members who breach the policy will receive a written warning.
  - b. When a further breach of the policy occurs; the Member will be subject to a ban from driving or riding in/on carts within the course and grounds of the Club for a period at the complete discretion of the Management.
  - c. Any subsequent breaches will require the member to meet with the Management Committee to explain their actions. The Management Committee may take further disciplinary action. These are severe penalties and it is hoped we will never have to use them. So enjoy your golf, enjoy your cart, but please be very mindful of the welfare of yourself, others and the course when using a cart.

**I agree to abide by the Motorised Cart Policy:**

Name: .....

Signed: .....

Date: .....

Member No. (if applicable): .....