

## Golf Cart Courtesy on Campus

### Speed

15 MPH on sidewalks; If driving near pedestrians, speed must, at most, match those walking.

### Path

When approaching large crowds, pull over to the side. Do not “push” crowds off the sidewalk. Pedestrians are afforded the right of way.

### Phones

Use not permitted. This includes music or other electronics. Ear buds also not permitted while driving.

### STOP

Golf carts are NOT permitted on the pond bridges or under the IST pergolas.

### Parking

Golf carts shall not block access to any doors or entrances. Please refer to Florida Poly policy, 6C13-1.003 Parking on University Property, for additional info.

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## Golf Cart Training

Required for faculty, staff, and student employees prior to operating a golf cart.

- Faculty and staff must complete the training every 3 years.
- Student employees must complete the training annually.
- Departments may require additional training.

The training is updated each calendar year. Need the new link? Search for the course in Canvas or contact us directly via the information provided below.

The Office of Risk Management manages the Approved Operators list.



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## Golf Cart Safety

*Florida Poly values its campus community and strives to protect all employees, students and visitors. The golf cart procedures and expectations outlined in this pamphlet ensure our campus can continue to operate safely and utilize golf carts in accordance with community standards and state regulations. By operating a golf cart, individuals are acknowledging these guidelines and expectations.*

## Driver Safety

- Golf carts shall not be parked to obstruct or interfere with the flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic in heavily traveled areas.
- All employees, volunteers, contractors, vendors, or agents are not permitted to operate a golf cart while performing tasks that may cause distractions.
- Golf carts shall be operated with the utmost courtesy, care and consideration for the safety and convenience of pedestrians. Pedestrians shall be afforded the right-of-way at all times.
- Golf carts are not permitted under the pergolas surrounding the IST.
- Gold carts are not permitted on the pond bridges.
- If operating in a congested area, the speed shall be no faster than pedestrians walking in the same area.
- All accidents involving golf carts shall be reported to the operator's supervisor. Supervisors are then required to complete the Facilities & Safety Services Accident/Incident/Injury Report.

## Florida Statutes

Golf cart operation is governed under Florida Statutes and operators are subject to the "rules of the road" regardless of whether carts are being operated on sidewalks or roadways, including stopping, turning, and safe operation.

A golf cart may not be operated on public roads or streets by a person:

- Who is under 18 years of age unless he or she possesses a valid driver's license.
- Who is 18 years of age or older unless he or she possesses a valid form of government-issued photographic identification.

At Florida Poly, golf carts are not permitted to be operated on public roads or streets, unless exercising necessary precaution to cross a street or road at an established crosswalk.

## Department Responsibilities

Departments assigned as custodians of university owned golf carts are responsible for the following:

- Maintenance and repair costs.
- Developing internal procedures for the operation, maintenance, and annual review of golf cart(s).
- Adhering to Procurement processes for the purchasing of new golf carts.
- Notifying Facilities & Safety Services & Risk Management of any new purchases.
  - Installation of charging stations must be coordinated through Facilities & Safety Services.
- Ensuring all drivers have completed required training prior to operating a golf cart.
- Removing from service any golf cart/utility vehicle that is unsafe to operate until it has been repaired.

## Nighttime Operation

If a golf cart is to be driven in designated areas during darkness, then it must be equipped with the following:

- Headlights
- Windshield
- Brake Lights
- Turn Signals

## Low Speed Vehicles

These golf carts are licensed and exceed the safe use of side walks. They are only permitted to be operated on public roads or streets by a person who possesses a valid driver's license.

They cannot exceed 35 MPH and must possess safety equipment including but not limited to seatbelts for all passengers, head lights & tail lights, parking brake, mirrors, windshield, and reflectors.



## Non-University Affiliated Parties

Univeristy registered vendors or other outside entities wishing to operate golf carts, utility vehicles, or low speed vehicles on campus must adhere to the following:

- Provide proof of General Liability (GL) coverage of no less than \$1 million single occurence and \$2 million aggregate. Additional coverage or higher limites may be required based on the golf cart, utility vehicle, or low speed vehicle specs and services provided.
- Remove carts from university property overnight. Charging and overnight parking is not permitted on campus unless otherwise noted or arranged.
- Maintain carts are in safe working order. All maintenance or repair costs are handled by the vendor or non-university affiliated party.
- Share the infromation provided in this pamphlet with all individuals operating carts on university property.