



## CLWB GOLFF PORTHMADOG GOLF CLUB

### **Guidance for Safe and Responsible use of a Golf Buggy/Ride on Vehicle**

**Introduction** This guidance is to support the policies of the Club and relates to the use of ride on vehicles.

The **signs and instructions** employed on the course to warn buggy riders of potential danger areas or, areas forbidden to ride-on buggies because of concerns about danger or, the potential to cause unacceptable wear and tear to the course, **must be followed at all times**. Often defined by ropes to ensure riders are clear which areas to avoid.

- The vehicle must be used to progress the game. It must be driven at an appropriate speed for the conditions and must not be driven up and down excessively, e.g. when looking for golf balls.
- The vehicle must not be driven on or near tees, greens or slopes leading up to them.
- Buggies must not be used within 5 yards of any apron to any green, tees, bunkers, ditches or ponds, except when using the designated pathways or bridges.
- Never drive buggies between bunkers and greens.
- Wet areas and ground under repair must be avoided.
- Pedestrians must be afforded the right-of-way at all times.
- Users must observe the maximum number of persons and sets of clubs, as prescribed by the manufacturer, which shall be carried on a buggy.
- Drivers should be fully conversant with the controls of the buggy and brakes should be applied gently to avoid skidding. No standing on a buggy while it is in motion. Hands and feet must be kept inside the buggy at all times.
- Caution must be exercised when reversing. Caution must be exercised on all slopes and inclines.
- Always apply the parking brake when leaving the buggy. Drive only as fast as the terrain allows.
- The consumption of alcohol and / or the improper use of drugs when using a ride-on buggy is prohibited

#### Take care crossing the roads

NB. Further guidance or temporary restrictions may be introduced if required. These will be posted on the ClubV1 system, website or communicated to members via email.

This guidance is generally only what would be considered sensible and good etiquette: - **e.g. use paths or the edge of fairways and light rough to proceed on each hole avoiding any worn or muddy areas.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION.**

NB: If you own your own buggy third party insurance is a requirement, and a valid certificate must be provided.