



# Buckinghamshire County Ladies Golf Association

## POLICY ON THE USE OF GOLF BUGGIES - TRANSPORTATION POLICY

This Policy is the Transportation Policy referred to in the Local Rules, Terms of the Competition and Regulations (Item 7 Transportation) for all BCLGA Competitions. It sets out the circumstances in which golf buggies may be used in events organised and managed by the BCLGA.

The BCLGA embraces the wishes of England Golf to encourage the participation of all players regardless of disabilities. The England Golf Transportation Policy is available on their website:

([www.Englandgolf.org](http://www.Englandgolf.org)).

- 1) It is a condition of any competition organised by the BCLGA that players and caddies must walk at all times during a stipulated round, unless permitted to use a golf buggy by the organiser of the said competition.
- 2) A golf buggy may be used by a player or caddie who can provide a valid current medical certificate of disability in accordance with the England Golf policy and has requested permission to use a golf buggy by the closing date for any competition they seek to enter or caddie in for chronic medical issues or 7 days before the date of the competition for acute medical issues.
- 3) The Organiser may not without good reasons refuse a request.
- 4) Where a player is under the age of 18 the Organiser shall reserve the right to specify that the golf buggy is driven by another person of the Organiser's choice.
- 5) In cases where the Organiser refuses to permit the use of a golf buggy, she shall inform the player of the decision, the reasons for it and the right to appeal this refusal to the Executive Committee in accordance with this policy.

The Organiser shall have regard to additional health and safety considerations before granting approval (for example relevant weather conditions, topography and ground conditions). Approval may be revoked in the event of new health and safety considerations coming to light since the granting of the initial permission.

Any player, caddie or other third party granted permission to use a buggy is required to complete and sign a Transportation Policy Consent Form prior to use.

Any person granted permission to use a golf buggy in accordance with this Policy must accept responsibility for any losses or injury sustained as a result of his or her fault whilst using a golf buggy. Any person who has been granted permission in accordance with this Policy must have adequate personal and third-party insurance.

### **Appeals Procedure.**

Appeals shall be made in writing to the BCLGA Executive in accordance with the guidance in the England Golf Policy.