**NCVLGA TRANSPORTATION POLICY**

**(& THE USE OF MOTORISED BUGGIES)**

**‘Stand Alone’ Policy**

1. Players and caddies shall walk at all times (as stated in the Rules of Golf) unless permitted to ride by the Executive Committee.
2. Players and caddies with a permanent disability or temporary/short term injury and who need to use a motorised buggy (hired or personal) may do so subject to a current and valid Medical Certificate being registered with the NCVLGA Secretary.
3. Medical Certificates must be submitted for approval to the NCVLGA Secretary as follows;
4. prior to the closing date for entries to the NCVLGA Championship.
5. 2 weeks prior to the start of each Richardson Trophy match.
6. A Medical Certificate covering any permanent disability should be clearly worded and will only need to be submitted once.
7. A Medical Certificate covering a temporary or short term injury should clearly state an estimated ‘end date’ and be re-submitted if required.
8. The NCVLGA Secretary shall provide a list of all players and caddies authorised to use transportation/buggies at least 3 days before the start of the NCVLGA Championship to the Organising Committee, and to each County Captain before the start of each Richardson Trophy match.
9. The buggy shall be for the sole use of the authorised player or authorised caddy and the equipment.
10. Any type of golf buggy without covered sides may be used.
11. It is the responsibility of the authorised player or authorised caddy to inform and make arrangements with the ‘host’ Club if they wish to use a personal or hired buggy (if available). They must comply with the host Club’s Health & Safety Policy and provide a copy of adequate personal and third party insurance cover in advance.
12. The host Club shall determine whether the use of buggies is allowed at all, or is permissible on each day of the Championship or Richardson Trophy match, taking into account relevant weather conditions, topography and ground conditions. This applies to private and hired buggies. Please note, that where a Club has a limited number of buggies for hire these shall be booked on a first come first served basis.
13. NCVLGA does not accept any liability from the use of motorised buggies.
14. Penalty for breach of this policy and conditions is covered by the R&A Rules of Golf, Appendix 1, Part B, 8.Transportation [January 2016].

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