

<b>DATE: 18th/19th March 2023</b>	<b>RISK ASSESSMENT: Use of Golf Buggies by disabled golfers in Poor Weather Conditions</b>	
<b>Completed by: Chair of Gen Cttee</b>	<b>RA Number: 001</b>	<b>Location: Monmouth Golf Club</b>

<i>Describe Hazard:</i>	<i>Who is at Risk?</i>	<i>Likely Outcome or Injury:</i>	<i>Injury (A)</i>	<i>Risk (B)</i>	<i>Score (A x B)</i>
The use of Golf Club and privately owned golf buggies by disabled golfers / passengers in all weather and ground conditions. <b>There will be 4 Levels of Restriction - Dependant on Score</b>	Buggy Drivers		3	3	9
Level 1 - RED - Ground Deemed Unsafe - Buggies/Ride-on Equipment/Trolleys Not Permitted -	Passengers				
Level 2 - Amber - Buggies/Ride-on Equipment/Trolleys Permitted - Restricted Holes - Track & Trail	Golfers	Minor / Major / Injury / Death	3	3	9
Level 3 - Blue Buggies/Ride-on Equipment/Trolleys Permitted - Track & Trail	Public	Minor / Major / Injury / Death	3	2	6
Level 4 - Green - No Restrictions	Staff	Major injury / Possible	2	2	4
	Animals	Unlikely / Possible	1	2	3
	Anyone in the vicinity				
	Other vehicle users				

<b>Injury tariff (A):</b>	<b>Minor Injury = 1</b>	<b>Major Injury = 2</b>	<b>Death = 3</b>	<b>Multiple Death = 4</b>	<b>Multiply injury tariff by risk tariff to obtain a score</b>
<b>Risk Tariff (B):</b>	<b>Unlikely = 1</b>	<b>Possible = 2</b>	<b>Probable = 3</b>	<b>Almost certain = 4</b>	<b>The resultant score indicates what action is required</b>
<b>Score (A x B):</b>	<b>Monitor 0-3</b>	<b>Control OK 4-8</b>	<b>Improve control 9-11</b>	<b>Change practice or work process 11+</b>	

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Evidence of a valid insurance policy to cover third party liabilities for privately owned golf buggies must be submitted to the Club.	Buggy Drivers	Minor / Major Injury	2	2	4
The Golf Club reserves the right to require a confidential written medical confirmation of a golfers disability (disability as defined under the terms of the Equality Act 2010).	Passengers				
All golf buggies (Club or privately owned) must be operated (driven) in accordance with the Club Golf Buggy Safety Policy and Safe Operating Procedures.	Golfers				
All golf buggies (Club or privately owned) must be checked before use for fuel / electric charge (sufficient to last a whole golf round), brakes (working properly) and damage (which may affect the buggy safety).	Public				
Club golf buggies will receive a maintenance check by the Club mechanic on a regular basis – any faulty buggies will be removed from use until repaired / replaced.	Staff				
All users of golf buggies must read and sign the Golf Buggy Safety Policy Acknowledgement Form before using a golf buggy.	Animals				
All golf buggy drivers must be over 18 years of age and able to drive / stop / control a buggy at all times and must hold a valid driving license.	Anyone in the vicinity				
A suitable (risk assessed) golf buggy unloading / loading area must be identified for privately owned golf buggies brought to the Club and this location must be communicated as necessary to the golf buggy users.	Other vehicle users				

A suitable parking area and routes to the parking area and to the first available tee must be identified and communicated as necessary.					
Consideration should be given to using all terrain / wet weather golf buggy tyres where possible / deemed necessary.					
<p>The consumption of alcohol or improper use of medically required drugs is not permitted when using golf buggies.</p> <p>The Golf Club reserves the right to refuse permission to use a golf buggy if all the conditions stipulated are not complied with or they believe the disability necessitating the use of a golf buggy has ceased or the conditions for its continued usage are no longer fully complied with.</p> <p>Disabled buggy drivers are encouraged to take a working mobile telephone with them which can be used to call for help / assistance when on the golf course (consideration should be given to providing two-way radios where mobile telephone signals do not work / are weak or when the disabled driver does not possess a mobile device).</p> <p>The Golf Club reserves the right not to permit passengers in golf buggies driven by disabled golfers in certain conditions to help decrease the impact on the course (extra weight and travel distances).</p> <p>An individual risk assessment will have to be completed for a disabled golf buggy driver and their buggy for safety and suitability reasons.</p> <p>In the interest of Health &amp; Safety - the use of a golf buggy in hazardous conditions (wet weather, water logged, snow / icy weather, fog / mist , high winds etc) can be restricted / banned by the Golf Club on the whole course or parts of the course.</p> <p>Disabled buggy drivers must be instructed to always stop the buggy and apply the brake on a flat / safe surface away from slopes, banks, steps, water hazards and any other applicable hazards and to comply with the 90 degree rule where possible.</p> <p>At times of buggy prohibition, only disabled golf players authorised to use a golf buggy (sometimes with provision of a medical certificate) will be permitted to do so, providing the prohibition is not on the grounds of safety, when all buggy use will be prohibited regardless of medical status. On these occasions the buggy user must adhere to the designated route available from the Mangers / Reception Office or the Pro-Shop.</p>					
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<p>A general 'golf hole by golf hole' risk assessment was undertaken and due to the topography of Monmouth Golf Course only the 1st, 12th &amp; 18th are flat and as a result will be the only holes available for use when 'Amber' conditions are declared. The risk of accident/injury to users of buggy/ride on equipment and anyone in close proximity is deemed too high for any other holes on the course to be included..</p> <p>A copy of this assessment is available in written form from the Club Manger and on the Club Website – all golfers are advised to read this assessment.</p> <p>As with all golf buggy users – the correct footwear, course etiquette and buggy driving rules stipulated in the Golf Club rules must be complied with at all times.</p> <p><b>At times of buggy prohibition - a daily assessment (sometimes more frequently as required) will be made by the Golf Club and the golf holes / routes deemed unsafe to play using a buggy will be noted (considering weather conditions, ground conditions, the topography and the suitability of the golf buggies).</b></p> <p><b>As a result of the daily assessment – the Golf Club will provide a map / route guide for disabled golf buggy users which will show what access is available, which routes to take the buggies, highlight the hazards / dangers and will inform which holes are closed on that day. Disabled buggy drivers must be</b></p>					
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<b>Signature</b>					