

FHGC Cart Usage Guidelines

Golf cart traffic can cause significant damage to grass and paths, which impacts on all players through bare lies, indentations and rough surfaces. This damage is worse when wet conditions soften the soil, or in hot or dry conditions where grass is more vulnerable, and slow to recover.

To help maintain the best playing conditions, we ask all cart users to think carefully about how and where they drive and park their carts, and to follow these guidelines. Only electric carts are permitted – petrol carts can only be used with management approval for specific events.

Forbidden actions:

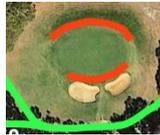
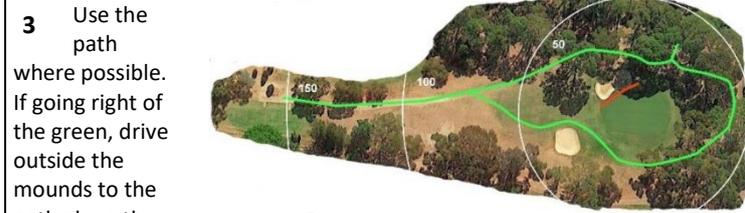
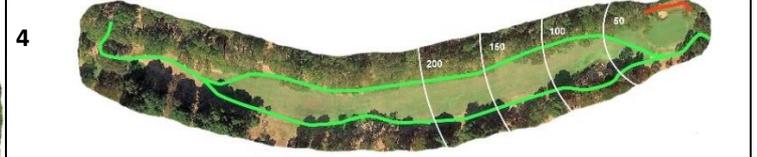
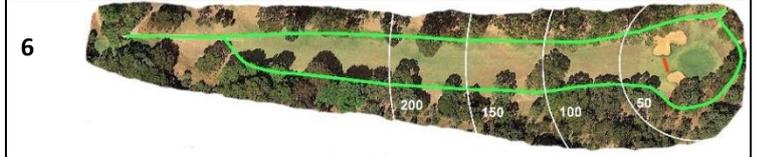
1. Do not drive on any tee box or green, or in any penalty area.
2. Do not drive closer than 3m from any green or bunker unless on a path.
3. Where solid blue lines surround the approach to a green, do not drive inside the blue line unless absolutely necessary.
4. Do not drive on an area that is roped off or separated by hoops.

Recommended actions

- Follow paths wherever possible, staying on the path and walking to your ball if practicable.
- Keep off fairways by driving in the rough as much as practicable, and walk to your ball.
- When crossing to the other side of a fairway, cross at right angles or diagonally.
- Avoid driving up or down steep slopes for safety reasons.
- Avoid driving over or parking on areas of grass that are damaged or worn, to allow the grass to recover.
- Avoid driving over areas that are visibly wet or soft.
- Drive at a moderate speed – there is no point in racing, only to wait for the group in front.
- Avoid sharp or fast turns, which can cause significant damage to grass.
- Accelerate and brake gently to avoid wheel-spin or skids, which severely damage grass.
- At the green, park towards the next tee to save time.
- As a passenger, hang on to your club after playing your shot and put it in your bag when the driver stops for their shot, to save time.

Graphical recommended usage and restrictions.

Legend: Recommended █ Forbidden █

<p>1</p>  <p>Keep carts in the rough either side - down the tree line avoids damaging the playing surface. Avoid the greens surrounds and stick to the path near the green, or well behind the green.</p> 	<p>2</p>  <p>Stay in the rough as much as possible. Avoid the fringes of the green, especially between the left bunker and the green.</p> 
<p>3</p> <p>Use the path where possible. If going right of the green, drive outside the mounds to the path along the rear fence to protect the playing surface behind the green.</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>Stay on paths and in the rough where possible. Avoid the area between the green and the dam.</p>  
<p>5</p> <p>Stay in the rough where possible. If going right of the green, continue outside the mounds to the path along the rear fence.</p>  	<p>6</p> <p>Stay in the rough where possible. If going right or behind the green, take a wide track around the trees and avoid worn areas behind the green if you want a reasonable playing surface.</p>  

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Keep carts off the tee blocks, and follow the path. Never drive between the bunkers and the green or between the bunkers and the dam. A cart in the dam will be expensive!

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Keep in the rough where possible. Do not drive between the bunker and the green or on the fringe of the green anywhere.

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Follow the path left or right to your drive, then stick to the rough. Keep away from the fringe of the green.

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Follow the path and the rough to the right, then right of the bunkers to behind the green. The area between the fairway bunkers is roped off. If your ball is to the left, drive through the trees to the left, then exit to the green via the path along the fence. Do not drive between the bunkers and the green.

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Stick to the rough left or right. On the left, stay in the tree line left of the fairway bunkers if possible. Take care if you must go left of the green and go well behind the green and bunker.

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Follow the path where possible. If your ball is to the right, return to the path after playing. Avoid the area behind the rear bunker, or take a wide path behind the trees and rear mounds. If you cannot walk up the slope to the green from behind, access the green from the front right.

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Follow the fence-line path as far as possible, only enter the fairway at the gaps in the rope. If on the right, use the tree line, and return to the path to exit - do not drive behind the green.

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Use the path but traverse the bark chips if necessary, then stick to the rough either side. Return to the path left of the green to exit, do not drive behind the green or between the green and the bunker.

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Follow the path as far as it goes, or cross over to the left after the bark chips. You can drive on the bark chips if necessary. Do not drive between the bunker and the green, and avoid the grassy hollow to the right.

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Follow the paths then stick to the rough where possible. Avoid the sandy wasteland on the right especially closer to the green. Never drive between the green and the dam or between the bunker and the green.

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Use the paths then stick to the rough where possible. Avoid the area between the green and the mound to the left. On the right hand approach you can follow the path towards the 10th tee then cross back behind the green.