



BUGGY POLICY

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Horsehay Village Golf Club will make reasonable adjustments to include anyone with physical disabilities the use of a buggy in order to play.

1. The use of golf buggies (i.e. ride-on motorised vehicles) during a competition is permitted in the conditions of the competition. Horsehay Village Golf Club supports the policy of England Golf to encourage golfers with physical difficulties to play the game if at all possible and recognise that the use of a buggy can greatly assist many in doing so.

2. In considering all of the issues surrounding the use of a buggy, the Club Committee has decided that golf buggies, including privately-owned golf buggies, may be used in club competitions at Horsehay Village Golf Club, subject to the following competition conditions:

- It shall be a condition that any competition at Horsehay Village Golf Club players must walk at all times during a stipulated round, unless permitted to use a golf buggy by the Club Committee.
- A golf buggy shall be for the sole use of the player and his/her equipment, unless the club committee decide that a third party is required to drive the golf buggy.
- The use of golf buggies, including privately owned golf buggies, will only be permitted for competitors who have a certificate from Horsehay Village Golf Club stating that they can use a golf buggy. Certificates can be applied for from the Club Committee.
- A copy of any medical certificate will be held on file for as long as it is in effect. A competitor may obtain a Medical Certificate for either a permanent or timelimiting clinical condition or due to their physical limitations associated with the ageing process. The Club Committee also accepts that there are competitors who can self certify themselves due to medical reasons for which the committee will review the application and a committee decision will be made on the eligibility of the applicant for buggy use.

The only occasions whereby a golfer requiring a buggy will be refused permission to use a buggy in a club competition is when, after assessment of ground conditions, Telford & Wrekin Council determine that the state of the course or the weather is such that safety of the condition of the course may be unacceptably compromised if a ride-on buggy is used by anyone. This might apply to the whole or just part of the course. Potentially unsuitable conditions include waterlogging, frost, etc.

Buggy request forms can be obtained from the Club Secretary