

Subject: Golf Cart Registration

Purpose: To Establish Guidelines for Golf Cart Registration

**1. Background:** The California Vehicle Code allows for the use of golf carts on the roads within Rossmoor. In order to track ownership of golf carts, the Golden Rain Foundation (GRF) requires all golf carts that are operated on GRF property to be registered with the GRF.

**2. Golf Carts:** For purposes of this Policy, a "Golf Cart" is defined as any of the following classes of vehicle:

- a. a motor vehicle as generally defined in Section 345 of the California Vehicle Code, applicable to Golf Carts, which may be lawfully operated on roadways in California having a speed limit of no more than 25 mph without being registered with the Ca. Department of Motor Vehicles, and which was designed:
  - i. with at least three wheels, and
  - ii. to operate at speeds up to 15 mph, and
  - iii. to weigh no more than 1,300 lbs. when empty.
- b. a motor vehicle as generally defined in Sections 21250 and/or 385.5 of the California Vehicle Code, applicable to Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (NEV) and/or Low-Speed Vehicles (LSV), which may be lawfully operated on roadways in California having a speed limit of no more than 35 mph without being registered with the Ca. Department of Motor Vehicles, and, for purposes of this Policy, which has not in fact been so registered even though it may be capable of such registration, and which was designed:
  - i. with at least four wheels, and
  - ii. to operate at speeds up to 25 mph, and
  - iii. with a gross vehicle weight rating (GWVR) of no more than 3,000 lbs.
- c. any other class of vehicle having at least three wheels which may be lawfully operated on public roadways without being registered with the Ca. Department of Motor Vehicles, and which has in fact not been so registered.

**3. Registration Requirements:**

- a. Golf carts operated on Foundation property must be operated consistent with the California Vehicle Code and GRF policies.
- b. All golf carts operating on GRF property, including the golf courses, must be registered with GRF.

- c. Registration may be performed at the Public Safety office.
- d. A fee to be determined by the GRF Board may be required for registration and change of ownership.

**4. Registration Stickers:**

- a. Upon registration, a registration sticker will be affixed to the golf cart by a GRF employee.
- b. A current registration sticker must be affixed and visible on all golf carts operating on GRF property at all times.
- c. Registration stickers cannot be transferred to another golf cart and removal will invalidate the registration.
- d. If a Registration Sticker is removed or damaged, a replacement must be purchased.
- e. When a golf cart for which a registration sticker was issued is sold, donated, replaced, or otherwise transferred, such that it will no longer be used on GRF property, the registered Member should remove the sticker and notify Public Safety. Stolen golf carts should also be reported to Public Safety.

Authority: Policy

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