**GOLF CAR SAFETY TIPS**

1. Never drive recklessly or joy ride. Drive courteously. Obey all vehicle traffic laws and rules of the road.
2. Never drive intoxicated or under the influence of any drug or narcotic.
3. Avoid distractions while operating the golf cart just as you would in an automobile. Be safe and attentive -- avoid talking, texting, or reading while driving, reaching for objects, applying makeup or eating.
4. **Only carry the number of passengers for which there are seats.**
5. **Drivers and all passengers should keep all body parts (arms, legs, feet) inside cart while vehicle is in motion, except when signaling a turn**.
6. **Do not allow anyone to ride standing in the vehicle or on the back platform of the vehicle. Do not put vehicle in motion until all passengers are safely seated inside vehicle.**
7. Operate the vehicle from the driver’s side only.
8. Check blind spots before turning. When making a left hand turn, yield to the thru traffic lane and merge into that lane before turning left. Never make a left hand turn from the golf cart lane.
9. Carefully turn and look behind golf cart before backing up.
10. **Avoid sharp turns at maximum speed, and drive straight up and down slopes to reduce the risk of passenger ejections and/or rollover. Avoid excessive speed, sudden starts, stops and fast turns. (We had an injury a few years ago because of this).**
11. Reduce speed due to driving conditions, especially hills or other inclines or declines, blind corners, intersections, pedestrians and inclement weather.
12. Do not leave keys in golf cart while unattended and make sure the parking brake is set.
13. Always yield to pedestrians and be cognizant of motor vehicles.
14. Use extreme caution in inclement weather. Although a golf cart may shield you from the rain, it may not protect you from a lightning strike.