

## **Golf Cart Policies & Procedures**

\*\*Individuals utilizing golf carts on NSU property are expected to operate them in a safe and courteous manner. Golf cart operators found in violation of these safety procedures and/or misusing golf cart equipment may be subject to disciplinary action, including being prohibited from operating a golf cart on NSU property. This policy will be enforced by NSU Public Safety and the local police.\*\*

## **Procedures for Safety Operations of Golf Carts**

The following are basic rules of operating and maintaining golf carts used for work transportation on the campus of Nova Southeastern University.

- Golf carts should be operated on campus roadways. Sidewalks should be used only where roadways and/or parking lots are not available, and then only to the nearest adjacent street or parking lot.
- On the campus of NSU, the pedestrian always has the right-of-way. Operators of golf carts will permit this right-of-way. If the golf cart is being operated on a sidewalk, the operator will pull off of the sidewalk to pass the pedestrians or stop the unit when approaching pedestrians until they pass.
- Most of the golf carts used on this campus are designed to carry a driver and one passenger. Some "tram" type carts carry multiple passengers. No golf cart is to be operated with more passengers than seating is provided.
- All occupants in the golf cart shall keep hands, arms, legs and feet within the confines of the golf cart at all times when the cart is in motion.
- Never back up without making sure there is no person or obstructions behind the cart.
- Never shift gears in reverse or forward while the vehicle is in motion.
- A golf cart should be operated on campus at a speed equivalent to a well-paced walk and *no faster than fifteen-mph*. This maximum speed may be subject to the terrain over which it is being driven, the weather conditions, and the total weight of the golf cart and passengers and any equipment being carried.
- Golf cart operators shall possess a valid driver's license and observe all Florida vehicle traffic laws such as lane travel, stop signs, legal passing of other vehicles, etc.
- Avoid operating a golf cart on landscaped lawns.
- Reduce speed to compensate for inclines, pedestrians, and weather conditions.
- Maintain adequate distance between vehicles and pedestrians.
- Approach sharp or blind corners with caution and reduce speed.
- Use extreme care at building entrances and upon entering/exiting enclosed areas.

- Do not park on any area that has pavers.
- Use parking areas posted for golf carts, areas on sidewalks that are not in the main stream or a Services parking space.
- Never leave the keys in the golf cart when unattended.
- When the golf cart is not in use the operator must place the golf cart control lever in the park or neutral position, remove and secure the key and set the parking pedal brake.
- If an individual/Organization is having an event in which they will need to transport people then they will need put in a work order and provide an account # in order to secure a golf cart and drivers to provide this service.
- The current fee for renting a golf cart is \$19 per hour with a four hour minimum.

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