

2025 GOLF CART RULES AND GUIDELINES

The following Golf Cart Rules are in effect for PGA TOUR Champions tournament week. All PGA TOUR Champions players are encouraged to walk whenever possible. However, should a player exercise his option to utilize a golf cart, the following policy will be in effect:

Practice Round / Pro-Am Days

1. Both players and caddies will be permitted to ride or drive during Practice and Pro-Am rounds.
2. A Player's cart must be picked up and returned to the designated cart area by the player or caddie.

Official Rounds

1. The Player or Caddie may pick up the cart from the designated cart area. They are allowed to ride together with the bag on the cart to the various practice areas prior to each round. The Player is ultimately responsible for the action of his Caddie or himself regarding the golf cart.
2. During the Official Rounds (i.e., after player tees off his first hole) the player is permitted to drive the cart at any time. The player must drive the cart to his tee shot on par 4's and par 5's, and then either player or caddy may drive the cart thereafter. On par 3's, either player or caddy may drive the cart after the player's tee shot. The player or caddie (not both) can drive the cart to the next tee; however, they are permitted to ride together under the following circumstances:
(a) anywhere a hole-to-hole shuttle for walking players and caddies is in operation; (b) as determined and announced by the Rules Official Tournament Director.
3. Cart weather covers ("buggy-covers"), and heaters will not be permitted. Additionally, if all the carts have "club covers", they may be used. If not, the "club cover" will be zipped tied and may not be used.
4. All carts should be driven in the fairway, except where local conditions indicate otherwise, as determined, and announced by the Rules Official Tournament Director. When a Caddie is driving the cart, the bag must be strapped in, in the back of the cart (cannot hold the bag inside the cart).
5. Carts cannot be driven past your own ball and should not be parked near any ball in play. Players can not drive forward to scout, or to help assess their next shot. A player may walk past his ball to look at the green or next shot, but under no circumstance should a Player drive up to a green to view the pin or the green.

General

1. PGA TOUR Champions Rules Official Tournament Director may alter these guidelines should weather and/or golf course conditions dictate.
2. A player may give a ride to another player, if necessary.
3. Carts must be driven with caution, always assuring spectator safety.
4. The Golf Cart Rules shall be part of the local rules and the sanction for any violation of said Rules by a player or his caddie shall be treated as Conduct Unbecoming a Professional.

NOTE: PGA TOUR Champions Tournament Regulations state that players are responsible for the conduct of their caddie.