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Golf Car Safety

Golf car safety:

- Do not exceed safe speeds.
- Drive slowly through turns and drive straight and slow up and down slopes.
- Set the brake when parking or leaving the car.
- Avoid abrupt stops and sharp turns that cause skidding.
- Look behind before backing up.
- Never shift gears while the golf car is in motion.
- Stop cars at all blind intersections and sound the horns before proceeding.
- Park cars in a manner that does not impede normal pedestrian or vehicular traffic flow on roadways, ramps, or sidewalks.
- Golf cars do not provide protection from lightning; seek appropriate shelter if lightning is present.
- Never operate golf cars when under the influence of alcohol or drugs.



Pre-operation safety checks:

- Check for proper tire condition and inflation. Tire pressures should be checked once a month for proper inflation.
- Brakes should be checked for proper operation. Check for any indication of battery fluid leaks such as wet spots under the unit.
- Use only an approved battery charger to recharge the batteries.
- Do not recharge near an open flame or source of ignition. Disconnect all battery charger cords before using the golf car.
- Pour baking soda on all spilled battery acid before cleaning up the spill. Wash skin thoroughly with cold water if in contact with battery acid.
- Check batteries and clean terminals once a month.
- Check bushings on front suspension every few months for needed grease.
- Make sure rear differential is properly oiled and lubricated.

Golf cars should always be operated in accordance with the golf car manufacturer's safety recommendations.

Take Away: Basic safety checks will ensure that golf cars are always safe for use by members, guests, and employees.