



WMGA Spectator with Disability Policy 2023

For those individuals with mobility impairments that require some form of motorized transport, they will generally be permitted to move through the course on whatever form of transport they regularly use if they have brought their motorized transportation device (“Device”) with them unless it has been determined that a particular Device would present a hazard to other spectators, players, caddies, or course officials or would damage the golf course.

Examples of Devices regularly used as a mobility aid by an individual with mobility impairment include a single-rider cart (or scooter), which is a four-wheeled, stabilized, battery-powered personal transportation device operated in a fully-seated position, or a single rider device that is operated in a standing or semi-standing position. A full-size golf cart is not considered a form of transport regularly used off the golf course in the day to day life of individuals with mobility impairments. Spectators violating any of these policies may be asked to leave the golf facility.

This policy does not apply to the use of motorcycles, mopeds, tricycles, bicycles (whether or not motor-driven), skateboards, or other similar devices not otherwise permitted to be operated on or within a golf course.

1. An individual with mobility impairment, upon registering with the Official in Charge, is permitted to use his or her own Device within the Tournament site, unless otherwise advised in advance that topography or course conditions in certain areas are not conducive to the use of the Device.
2. It is the responsibility of users of Devices to determine that the areas in which they choose to operate are safe for such operation. The Official in Charge and the golf course property owner shall not be responsible or liable for the actions of any individuals, including spectators, or for any individual’s failure to properly use a Device or to maintain his or her use on safe topography. In choosing to bring a Device to an event or using one if available at the Tournament site, the user assumes all risks.
3. Individuals must exercise caution when turning corners, approaching an incline, and approaching other course conditions.
4. In the event the Official in Charge or others charged with administering the event observes the unsafe operation of a Device, interference, interruption, or undue delay of play as a result of using the Device, these individuals shall remind the user of their responsibility for the safe operation of the Device. Should an individual using a Device continue to operate the Device in an unsafe manner or otherwise interfere with, interrupt or unduly delay play, the Device user shall be asked to remove the Device from the event, but maybe allowed to return to the event without the assistance of the Device.

Individuals with disabilities may be accompanied by a service animal defined under the ADA. The service animal must be under the control of its handler at all times. Dogs whose sole function is to provide comfort or emotional support do not qualify as service animals under the ADA.