

Hole-by-Hole Risk Assessment:

The following Risk Assessment applies to all persons using ride-on buggies on the course namely, members, visitors to the club and also to any staff members or agents.

All risks have been categorised as 'high' given the unique topography of the course.

There is a reasonable assumption that all persons using buggies on the course are potentially at risk in respect of each of the risks identified within this Policy.

Area of course or grounds

Hazard / Risk Precaution / Action

- Unloading buggies and single seater buggies from cars in the Golf Club Car Park must be careful of other vehicles and pedestrians
- All buggies must give way to pedestrians and vehicles in the car parking area.
- No buggies are to be parked in the car park
- The green keeper or professional will identify parts of the course that may be identified as a Hazard and will take the necessary action to suit the conditions and protect all golfers.

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- 1st Hole

Buggy users must drive up the hard surface side of the 1st close to the hedge, stay clear of the apron and the green and exit on the right towards the 2nd hole. They must not enter the driving range to recover golf balls.

- 2nd Hole

Keep to the tarmac path and keep to the top side of the left hand bunker. Beware of golfers playing the 13th.

Leaving the path and driving up the bank to the left of the 2nd Green can be hazardous to climb and therefore make this hole unplayable in very wet conditions

- 3rd Hole

Keep the buggy up to the left hand side and beware of players playing the 5th. Keep well away from the green and leave on the lower left hand side of the green

- 4th Hole

Park the buggy by the tee area and drive very slowly down to the green on the left hand side. Park the buggy just passed the trees on the left had side and do not go down to the green.

The ground down to the 4th can become very slippery for buggies and this could become unplayable for buggies in very wet conditions

- 5th Hole

Drive the buggy up on the right hand side and keep close to the tree plantation exit from the lower side of the green and beware of players driving off the 6th Tee

Beware climbing the hill as in very wet conditions this whole is unplayable

- 6th Hole

Drive back to the tee and park the buggy beside the right hand side facing the tee. When moving up beware of players driving off the 18th Tee. Keep to the left hand side going down to the green and come off just passed the temporary green. Do not drive down to the green and be very careful when driving down the hill in wet conditions.

- 7th Hole

Keep towards the top left hand side of the gorse and on the ridge below the left hand trees then cross just in front of the first left hand bunker to the right of the green. This hole becomes very wet and extreme care should be taken when walking down to your ball and driving on the soft ground.

- 8th Hole

Park the buggy on the hard surface and leave down the right hand side. The slope on this hole can become very dangerous in slippery conditions so extreme caution should be take. Keep to the right hand side of the fairway and continue all the way up to the 9th Tee keeping away from the green.

- 9th Hole

Keep the buggy to the top side of the fairway and leave to the left before you reach the bunkers in front of the green.

- 10th Hole

Keep to the path and park the buggy by the seat on the right. Keep to the right hand side of the green and leave to the rear. Beware of driving from the 11th when approaching the green and also drives from the 18th.

- 10a Hole

This is a temporary hole that is generally played when needed. Keep to the designated roped off path up to the left hand side avoiding drives off the 18th and do not go within 20 yards of the green.

- 11th Hole

Keep to the right hand side of the fairway and beware of driving off the 10th exit on the lower side of the bunkers and park between the 12th yellow and white tees. Beware of sliding as you drive up towards the green.

- 12th Hole

Drive down the path and keep to the left hand side of the fairway beware of players driving off the 8th. This fairway becomes very wet and could become dangerous to climb in very wet weather. Leave

the green to the left hand side and proceed via the back of the green to the 13th Tee. Beware as you cross the 18th Hole that players are not driving off.

- 13th Hole

Give way to players leaving the 2nd Green and keep to the right hand side of the fairway. Leave on the right hand side of the green and do not drive down the walkway path but leave at the back. When weather permits drive past the green and down to the right back along the path to the Tee. The bank down to the front of the 14th becomes very slippery so utmost caution must be taken.

- 14th Hole

Depending on the weather leave to the left hand side before the mineshaft and up towards the ladies 14th and keep to the top side of the fairway. Beware of players driving off the 15th Tee.. The bank is very dangerous and buggies should not try to go up or down as this is very dangerous. Leave the green by the left and drive to the buggy turning point on the 15th.

- 15th Hole

Keep to the left hand side and beware of players driving off the 14th Tee. Leave the 15th before you reach the green up the path way to the 16th Hole.

- 16th Hole

No buggies are to be driven down the slope but buggies can drive down the 17th path keeping well away from the 16th Green that becomes very soft.

- 17th Hole

Proceed down the left hand side of the fairway and beware of players driving of the 13th Tee. Leave by the left hand side of the tee and park on the left of the 18th Tee

- 18th Hole

Give way to players crossing from the 12th to the 13th and proceed down the left hand side close to the trees. Be careful when driving down the hill and leave the course to the right of the 18th Green and into the car park by the concrete path next to the professional shop. When joining the car park beware of pedestrians and other cars.

Risk Assessment for Buggies

In the Interest of Health & Safety

The use of a golf buggy or single seater buggy in hazardous conditions (wet weather, water logged, snow/icy weather, fog/mist, high winds etc.) can be restricted/ banned by the Golf Club on the whole course or parts of the course

At times of buggy prohibition, only disabled golf players authorised to use a golf buggy (sometime with provision of a medical certificate) will be permitted to do so, providing the prohibition is not on the grounds of safety, when all buggy use will be prohibited regardless of medical status. On these occasions the buggy user must adhere to the designated winter buggy route available from the Professional shop.