

2025 NJSGA Cart Policy

At NJ Golf Championships, where motorized transportation is permitted and both the player and the player's caddie may use a golf cart, there is a "one-seat" policy in effect during the stipulated round.

- This "one-seat" policy allows the player's caddie the opportunity to assist the player during play. For example, the player's caddie may drive the golf cart if the player chooses to walk, move the cart for the player from green to tee, etc., so long as the player and the player's caddie are not riding in a golf cart at the same time. **See USGA infographic.**
- If the player's caddie is driving a golf cart, the player is responsible for any breach of the Rules by the caddie (such as moving the player's or an opponent's ball at rest).
- Golf carts may be requested by players only, and caddies may be required to wear NJ Golf caddie bibs during championship rounds.
- In stroke play, if two players in a group request a golf cart, only one cart will be distributed to that group. If three players request a golf cart, two carts will be distributed.
- The player should not allow other individuals, such as spectators or volunteers, to drive, ride in or ride on the player's golf cart during a stipulated round.
- No one should stand on the back or side of the golf cart while it is in motion.

NJ Golf reserves the right to limit or suspend the use of golf carts due to inclement weather, unsafe use of the golf cart or circumstances where use of the golf cart would present a hazard to others, the course officials, the golf course or other unforeseen circumstances. Automotive transportation should only be driven on such areas of the golf course indicated by the club or NJ Golf. At qualifiers where carts are permitted, play may continue with carts being disallowed due to weather conditions. Players may be required to walk in this case, and the host club has the authority to handle cart fee refunds.

If the player or the player's caddie shows significant disregard for this policy, the player may be disqualified from the competition under Rule 1.2a (serious misconduct). Please note the Standard of Player Conduct section of the NJ Golf Hard Card