

## COVID-19 CART POLICY

## Background

Currently, the demand to participate in SCGA events far outweighs the number of golf carts typically available at most facilities to provide each player his/her own cart. Our goal is to safely provide playing opportunities for as many players as possible, while maximizing the use of available carts and ensuring players know what to expect at SCGA events. Per the COVID-19 policies governing the play of golf in the State of California, the following cart policies are in effect at SCGA events until further notice or unless otherwise stated in the site-specific information distributed to players.

# **Team Events**

Each team may be issued one (1) golf cart. Two (2) golf bags may be placed on each cart. One (1) partner will be the designated driver, and the other partner **must** walk for the entirety of the round. In addition, partners may touch and/or handle only their equipment (bag and clubs) from beginning to end of play; they may not touch or handle their partner's equipment.

• **Exception:** Partners may not share a cart as described above at events in Los Angeles or Ventura County.

## **Individual Events**

In general, the maximum field size will be set to match the number of available single-rider carts at a given facility. Players whose entry is originally accepted will be deemed to be part of the "original field." Waiting lists will subsequently be developed in the event of withdrawals or to supplement the original field with those willing to walk. At certain events (space permitting), those on the waiting list will receive an email around the close of entries, indicating that they are welcome to play but will not be guaranteed a cart. They will be instructed to reply to SCGA staff if they wish to enter the event as a walker.

- On the day of the event, if not all carts are used by those in the original field, those carts will be distributed on a first come, first served basis to those who entered the event from the waiting list.
- In certain circumstances, where the field size is considerably larger than the number of available single-rider carts at a given facility, only two (2) carts will be issued to each pairing group, and two (2) golf bags may be placed on each cart. One (1) person will be the designated driver, and the other player **must** walk for the entirety of the round.
  - *Exception:* Players may not share a cart as described above at events in Los Angeles or Ventura County.

#### Miscellaneous

- At events in counties <u>other than</u> Los Angeles or Ventura, players may ride in the same cart if, and only if, a divider has been installed in the golf cart.
- Members of the same household may ride in the same cart, so long as it is permitted by the host facility.
- Golf courses located in the city of Pasadena operate under the direction of a separate health department than the rest of LA County.
- In most instances, spectators will not be able to rent a cart, as all available carts will be reserved for players and officials.