NJSGA Cart Policy, effective January 1, 2020

Under the current NJSGA policy (Hard Card,) for competitions where motorized transportation is allowed, caddies are prohibited from riding in or on a cart at any time during the player's stipulated round. Moving forward, we will be operating with a “one-seat” policy as outlined below:

Updated Policy (to go into effect for 2020 NJSGA Championships):

At NJSGA 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 attached.

- 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 NJSGA 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.

The NJSGA 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 the NJSGA.

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 2020 NJSGA Hard Card.