

# Information Bulletin

## R41 – Golf Buggy Exemption for Golf Course Use

You don't need to register your golf buggy in the Northern Territory (NT) if you're only driving it within a golf course area.

This includes driving it in any of the following places:

- in a car park attached to a golf course
- crossing a public street or a road within the same golf course
- a footpath, shared path or public thoroughfare within the same golf course.

To drive a golf buggy you must hold a driver's licence and any restrictions on your licence apply when you drive your golf buggy.

Your golf buggy and trailer must be:

- in sound mechanical condition
- and used in accordance with the vehicle manufacturer's instructions.

Golf buggy owners should ensure they have adequate insurance cover.

Any breach of the exemption conditions will deem the golf buggy and/or the trailer to be unregistered and uninsured which is an offence under the *NT Traffic Act*.

## Requirements

### Driver Licensing

Drivers of golf buggies must continue to hold an applicable drivers licence. Any restrictions on the licence will continue to apply – including blood alcohol restrictions.

### Golf Buggy limitations

- When used on golf course, the golf buggy and trailer must be in a safe operational condition and must be used in accordance with the vehicle manufacturer's instructions.
- Travel along any road is not permitted unless in accordance with the exemption.
- Other limitations may be imposed by the golf course or land owner.

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NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

*Motor Vehicles Act and Traffic Act*

**EXEMPTION FROM THE *MOTOR VEHICLES ACT, MOTOR VEHICLES (STANDARDS) REGULATIONS* AND SECTION 33 OF THE *TRAFFIC ACT***

I, PAUL NATHAN RAJAN, the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, pursuant to section 135 of the *Motor Vehicles Act* and section 43B of the *Traffic Act*, hereby exempt golf buggies from registration, motor accident compensation contributions and vehicle standards requirements of the *Motor Vehicles Act, Traffic Act* and the *Motor Vehicles (Standards) Regulations*, on and from 1 July 2014, subject to the following conditions:

1. A golf buggy may only be driven in a public place, on footpath, shared path or other part of a road related area, or across a public street which is:
  - (a) a golf course;
  - (b) a carpark attached to a golf course;
  - (c) a public street or a road related area (as defined in the Australian Road Rules) within or which bisects parts of the same golf course; or
  - (d) a footpath, shared path or public thoroughfare within or running between parts of the same golf course.
2. Except as provided in Condition 1, a golf buggy must not be driven on or across a public street or road related area.
3. A golf buggy must be maintained in a sound mechanical condition and only used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

For the purposes of this exemption, ***golf buggy*** means a motor vehicle designed for transporting persons on a golf course and includes any mechanically sound trailer that is towed by the golf buggy.

Dated 18 June 2014

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Registrar of Motor Vehicles