

# Motorised Transport Policy and Request Form –

## Victorian Events Conducted by Golf Australia

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The provisions of the Transportation Policy apply to all amateur Championship and State events, except where the event Conditions specifically note otherwise.

During play in Victorian events conducted by Golf Australia (unless otherwise stated in the event conditions), it is prohibited for a player or their caddie to ride in or on a motorised vehicle unless specific written permission has been granted by the Match or Championship Committee in accordance with this policy.

### Exceptions:

- i. Rules Referees or a Championship Committee member may utilise mechanical locomotion to transport a player/caddie in the interests of pace of play where necessary without penalty.
- ii. Permission to use motorised transport is not required by any player, caddie or official upon reaching 75 years of age. Cart usage during any GA event would still require any individual to comply with any club requirement and/or cart availability.
- iii. Where a player is granted permission to utilise motorised transport during the Victorian Pennant season, the player's caddie is permitted to ride with the player for any stipulated Pennant round without separate permission being required.

A permanent **or** temporary exception to use motorised transport will be made in the case of a player/caddie affected by a disability.

Players/caddies requiring the use of motorised transport for a particular event are required to complete and return the Motorised Transport Request Procedure Form found: [www.golf.org.au/victorian-event-resources](http://www.golf.org.au/victorian-event-resources)

As part of this process, applicants are required to complete all details on the form and comply with the following:

- Attach a copy of your medical certificate which specifies the period of time that the exemption has been requested for. For example, 1 week, 1 month, 1 year, or indefinitely.

(Note: Only medical certificates from general practitioners will be accepted. Medical certificates from osteopaths, physiotherapists, podiatrists etc are NOT recognised and will consequently not be accepted.)

- The medical certificate must specify the period of time that the exemption has been requested for. (i.e. 1 week, 1 month, 1 year, or indefinitely);

Once the use of motorised transport is approved, an applicant will receive a confirmation letter/email informing of the outcome. Approved applicants can use Motorised Transport at any Victorian GA event.

Note: No specific medical conditions or contact details for the applicant will be on the list. It will be only the applicant name, home club and the expiry date (if not permanent).

Authorised players must book and pay for the golf carts with the Pro Shop at the hosting venues (unless it is requested carts are to be booked via Golf Australia). Cart usage is also subject to each golf club's motorised transport policies.

Golf Australia accepts no responsibility for the availability of automotive locomotion at Host Clubs, or as to whether or not permission is granted to use automotive locomotion. When an exemption is granted, the use of such locomotion must solely serve the purpose of transportation — the use of mechanical locomotion must not provide the player or caddie with a benefit greater than a walking player or caddie may achieve.

Subject to the approval of the Host Club, where the Match Committee authorises caddies to use transportation, during the stipulated round, the following requirements must be adhered to:

- a. The player does not accept a ride at any time.
- b. The player does not accept advice from any other person travelling with the caddie.

The Penalty for breach of this Policy/Competition Condition is:

*The player gets the general penalty for each hole during which there is a breach of this Local Rule. If the breach occurs between the play of two holes, it applies to the next hole.*

# Motorised Transport Request Procedure

This form is to be used by players wishing to gain approval from Golf Australia to use motorised transport where required. Players should refer to the specific motorised transport event conditions as authorisation is not required for all GA events.

**Procedure:**

1. Complete all details in the below form in full.
2. Attach a copy of your medical certificate which specifies the period of time that the exemption has been requested for. For example, 1 week, 1 month, 1 year, or indefinitely.  
(Note: Only medical certificates from general practitioners will be accepted. Medical certificates from osteopaths, physiotherapists, podiatrists etc. are NOT recognised and will consequently not be accepted.)
3. The medical certificate must specify the period of time that the exemption has been requested for. (i.e. 1 week, 1 month, 1 year, or indefinitely).
4. Send this form and your attached medical certificate to the postal/email address or fax number at the bottom of the page.
5. Once the use of motorised transport is approved, you will receive a confirmation letter/email informing you of your outcome. Your name and expiry date (if applicable) will appear on the list of approved Motorised transport users for Golf Australia events with the expiration date. This list can be found at [www.golf.org.au/victoria](http://www.golf.org.au/victoria) under Victorian Events – Event Resources. Approved players can use Motorised Transport at any GA event.
6. Authorised players must book and pay for the golf carts with the Pro Shop at the hosting venues. Cart usage is also subject to each golf club's motorised transport policies.
7. If in doubt about the procedure please call Golf Australia on 8545 6200.

<b>Name</b>	First Name	Surname
<b>Home Club</b>	GolfLink No.	
<b>Email Address</b>		
<b>Phone</b>		
<b>Date of Birth</b>		
<b>*Name of event transport will be used for</b>		
<b>*Date of Event</b>		

*\*Temporary requests only*

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