

FACT SHEET: Golf/Utility Carts

Safe Use and Operation



Golf/utility carts (e.g., Taylor-Dunns, Cushmans, or Golf Carts) are utilized throughout Tulane's campus and are used to transport people and materials. A golf/utility cart is defined as 3 or 4-wheeled cart-type vehicle and has a maximum speed of 25 mph (RS 32:299.4). Operating these carts may seem simple, but using or operating one in an unsafe manner can result in a serious injury or even death. Therefore, special care must be taken to ensure the safety of all passengers, pedestrians, vehicles and property, as well as cargo.

✓ NEED TO KNOW:

Golf/Utility Cart Definition (RS 32:299.4):

- Are prohibited on public roads or streets.
- May only be operated on streets within the Tulane University Uptown Campus.
- Must be registered with Facilities Services. Contact (504)-865-5445.
- Shall not be operated without a valid driver's license and required training.
- Review the [Uptown Golf Cart Policy](#) for more information.
- Review the [Tulane Uptown Campus Golf Cart Map](#).

📱 MORE INFO:



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OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS:

- Have a valid driver's license.
- Have supervisor or department authorization.
- Complete Defensive Driver Training.
- Complete Tulane Cart Safety Training.
- Familiarity with utility cart owner's manual.

NOTE: RS 32:299.4 requires all golf/utility cart operators be trained and certified. Cart operator certification can be obtained by completing the Tulane Cart Safety Training. Contact oehs@tulane.edu for more information.



!! HOW TO SAFETY OPERATE A GOLF/UTILITY CART:

Before operating a golf/utility cart:

- Complete a pre-operational safety check.
- Ensure all persons wear seatbelts, if available.
- Limit and secure all cargo.

While operating a golf/utility cart:

- Observe all traffic rules.
- Yield to pedestrians. They have the right-of-way.
- Drive at a speed respectful of conditions.
- Keep all body parts inside the vehicle at all times.
- **NEVER** overload the vehicle.
- **NEVER** allow passengers to sit or stand in the cargo area.
- **NEVER** use a mobile phone, headset, or headphones.
- **NEVER** block fire lanes or ADA access.
- **NEVER** leave the key unattended.
- **NEVER** modify any safety feature.

**THINK
SAFETY
FIRST**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & RESOURCES:

- [Tulane Uptown Golf Cart Policy](#)
- [Tulane Uptown Campus Golf Cart Map](#)
- [Louisiana State Legislature Golf/Utility Cart Laws](#)