Subject: GOLF CART USE ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

Policy:

The following procedure is used by the County of Riverside to determine the use of golf carts without vehicle registration on a public highway:

1. Study of area to determine safe operation should include:
   a. Determination that road is adjacent to and within one-half mile of the golf course.
   b. Speed survey of road in question.
   c. Review of alignment and minimum horizontal and vertical stopping sight distance.
   d. Width of traveled way and shoulder area.
   e. Circulation pattern of golf course traffic.

2. Operation should not be recommended if:
   a. Speed zone is greater than 25 M.P.H.
   b. Roadway paved area plus shoulder is less than 24 feet in width.
   c. Safe stopping sight distance is below minimum for 25 M.P.H.
   d. Practical alternative is available.

3. It should be mandatory that golf carts should use the extreme right side of roadway, which includes an unpaved shoulder.

4. The signage should conform to the recommendations of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

5. All provisions relative to the use of golf carts shall comply with all applicable sections of the California Vehicle Code or any other State law.

Reference:
Minute Order dated 01/28/75
Minute Order 3.4 of 12/18/07