

## **Rules for Safe Operation of Powered Carts**

The following operating rules apply to both electric and gasoline powered carts.

1. Only University employees shall be permitted to operate such vehicles.
2. Drivers must have a current Drivers license and have completed Defensive Driver training.
3. Cart users may not "lend" a cart to any non-authorized person. A cart user is responsible for ensuring the security of the cart to prevent this type of use.
4. Carts are not toys – "joy riding" is specifically prohibited.
5. In carts equipped with seatbelts, seatbelts must be worn by all vehicle occupants at all times. All passengers must be in a seat while the cart is moving - no exceptions.
6. Operators and passengers shall keep arms and legs inside the cart at all times and shall not jump on or off of moving vehicles.
7. Powered carts shall be driven on campus streets whenever possible. If a sidewalk must be used, the vehicle speed should not exceed that of the pedestrian traffic. Powered carts shall not be driven on lawns with the exception of facilities personnel.
8. Carts shall not be driven off campus unless they are appropriately equipped (i.e. "street legal") for registration with the California Department of Motor Vehicles.
9. Carts shall not exceed 15 mph on all campus roadways.
10. Operators shall be familiar with, and observe all established traffic laws. Citations will be issued for violations of traffic laws.
11. Materials and equipment shall be properly secured so that they will not shift or fall off of moving carts.
12. Carts shall not be operated at night without properly working head and taillights.
13. Carts are particularly subject to tipping - be extremely cautious while making turns and while driving on uneven surfaces.
14. Parking is prohibited near building entrances and exits.