



## 2024 Roadeo Golf Cart Safety Fundamentals

Thank you for volunteering to assist with the 2024 Connecticut Statewide Transit Roadeo. You have been assigned the very important job of driving a golf cart around the inner part of the course. You will either be following the buses that are competing and collecting the scoring sheets from our judges or delivering food and water to the judges on the course. There are three buses competing on the 35/40 Foot Big Bus course and 2 buses competing on the Body-On-Chassis course and golf carts that follow along, in addition there is a hospitality golf cart on the course filled with supplies for judges.

Please review these guidelines prior to the day of the event so we can ensure the safety of all our volunteers and participants.

1. **Drive courteously.** Never drive recklessly. Please remember that this is a competition and it's important not to interfere in any way with the buses participating. Drivers are under a time constraint to finish the course and should never have to stop to allow a golf cart through.
2. **Do not drive in front of a moving bus.** Make sure to stay on the inner part of the course so that you won't impact the drivers competing in any way.
3. **Avoid distractions.** Avoid texting, reading, reaching for objects, or eating while driving so that you can stay alert and stay safe. Remember that the drivers are not expecting the golf carts to be on the competition area of the course.
4. **Slow down and check blind spots when turning.** Always use hand signals to indicate your intent to turn.
5. **Keep all body parts in the vehicle while in motion.** Drivers and all passengers should keep arms, legs and feet inside cart while in motion, except when signaling a turn.
6. **Make sure the parking brake is set any time you exit the cart.**
7. **Always sit down.** Do not allow anyone to ride standing in the vehicle or on the back platform of the vehicle.
8. **Always yield to pedestrians.** Always make sure to drive at a safe speed and look behind your cart before backing up. The course is filled not only with buses that are competing, but also with judges and volunteers who are assisting with the scoring and organization of the event.