

Rancho Murieta Golf Cart/Neighborhood Electric Vehicle Circulation Plan

Rules for Golf Carts/Neighborhood Electric Vehicles Crossing Highway 16 Effective January 1, 2007



Golf carts and Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (NEVs) intended for travel across Highway 16 are required to meet applicable federal and state requirements to operate on a state or public roadway.

Golf carts must be used as a golf cart, with a designated place for golf bags, driven by a licensed driver, and cannot have more than two seats, with one person per seat. Seatbelts are not required. Daylight hours require a stop lamp, one rear reflector, and a horn. After dusk requires a stop lamp, one rear reflector, horn, head lamp, and tail lamp.

A golf cart that has more than two seats is defined as a motor vehicle and must meet the same requirements as an NEV (driven by a licensed driver, have and use seat belts, one person per seat, headlights, taillights, turn signals, stop lamps, reflectors, mirror, parking brake, and windshield).

Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (NEV) or Low Speed Vehicles must be driven by a licensed driver, have and use seat belts, one person per seat, headlights, taillights, turn signals, stop lamps, reflectors, mirror, parking brake, and windshield.

In addition to the above equipment requirements, golf carts and NEVs may not be operated **in an unsafe condition, which is defined as not being equipped as required by the California Vehicle Code or that is not safely loaded.**

Note: The above standards do not apply to golf carts used exclusively for normal play on the golf course or within the residential area of Rancho Murieta North or Rancho Murieta South or golf carts that are not intended for travel across Highway 16.

Further information: See the Rancho Murieta Golf Cart/NEV Circulation Plan available on-line on the District's website: rmcsd.com. Copies may also be obtained at the Rancho Murieta Association office.