

Information to be supplied by anyone seeking to use a Golf Cart in a GCGA Championship or Qualifying event based on permanent disability

- 1) Please explain the nature of your disability and why it requires that you use a cart.

- 2) a) Is your disability permanent or temporary? b) How long have you suffered from this disability? c) How does this disability limit your ability to walk during tournament golf? d) Is it stable? e) Has it become worse over time?

- 3) Provide a current medical report from your physician that has evaluated your condition, describing the nature of your disability and explaining why it would be beyond your ability to walk during this event. Such report must explain, in detail, your diagnosis and symptoms, and specifically describe how your condition impairs your ability to walk in general and during a tournament. **Such report should be attached to and submitted together with this completed cart request form.**

- 4) Please provide the name, address and telephone number(s) of your treating physician(s) for the condition which you believe requires use of a cart.

- 5) What is the current treatment plan for your condition? Identify medication(s), and therapy utilized to treat your condition, and any side effects experienced.

- 6) If your condition relates to a cardiac (heart) problem, please answer the following:
 - (a) Have you ever had a coronary artery bypass surgery or an angioplasty?
 - (b) Do you take cardiac medications, and if so, what are the medications and current dosages?
 - (c) Do you experience shortness of breath, chest or arm tightness, leg cramping while walking? If so, how many yards can you walk before stopping?

- 7) Have you ever been given an impairment rating for this condition, relating to workers' compensation, a personal injury claim, or for Social Security Disability purposes? If so, please provide details as to the rating, which body parts and basis for the rating (AMA Guides to Permanent Impairment, 5th edition, or to a local or state rating guide).

- 8) Can you walk up a flight of stairs without assistance, without walking aids, and without holding onto a handrail?
How many yards can you walk on level ground without having to stop, or without assistance?
- 9) Do you use walking aids (cane, crutches, walker, wheelchair, back brace, leg brace) and if so, describe the length of time you use them each day.
- 10) Provide a list of golf tournaments you have played in during the past five years and state whether you walked or used a cart during these tournaments.
- 11) On average, how many times a week do you play non-tournament golf?
- 12) In non-tournament play, what percentage of the time do you walk when you play, what percentage of the time do you use a cart?

I certify that the information supplied above and any attachments are true and correct.

Signature

Print name

Date

Please note that this cart request form (including all information requested above), medical report from physician and attached authorization for release of medical information must be submitted to the Greater Cincinnati Golf Association (GCGA) WITHIN 14 DAYS of the submission of the relevant GCGA entry application online, all of which must be submitted by the player (not a caddie) in writing and received by the GCGA, 9200 Montgomery Road, Suite 24B, Cincinnati, OH 45242-7794 or by facsimile (513.521.4242) no later than 14 days after submitting the entry application. Phone submissions will not be accepted.

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF MEDICAL INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR USE OF A CART

I AUTHORIZE THE Greater Cincinnati Golf Association (GCGA) and its designated agents and medical professionals participating in the decision to provide a golf cart to contact my health care provider (s) regarding my condition, which I believe constitutes a disability under the Americans with disabilities Act (“ADA”) entitling me to use a cart during golf tournament competition.

I authorize my health care provider (s) to communicate with the GCGA, their designated agents and medical professionals participating in the decision to provide a golf cart to provide such clarification or further information as may be necessary for the

GCGA to make a determination regarding my request for use of a cart. I authorize the release of any documentation, medical records, or other information relating to my condition in connection with my request for use of a cart.

Signature

Print Name

Date

The Greater Cincinnati Golf Association (GCGA) will evaluate, on a case-by-case basis, any request to use a golf cart in GCGA championships or qualifying rounds due to a claimed permanent disability. In order for the GCGA to evaluate such requests, it is necessary to submit medical documentation setting forth the exact nature of the permanent disability, and how that disability prevents such person from walking during a stipulated round. In addition, players will have to submit information sufficient to enable the GCGA to determine that providing a cart would not provide a player with an advantage over other players.

Please see the GCGA entry applications, under the heading "Transportation" for information regarding requests for a cart due to a disability under the ADA. Note the procedure in the event of a change in medical condition.

Requests due to "temporary injuries or impairments that do not qualify as a permanent "disability" under the ADA will not be granted. For your information, a permanent disability that would be protected by the ADA is a "physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual" 42 U.S. C.S. (P)12102 (2001), and for these purposes, would be a substantial limitation on the ability to walk the golf course.

The GCGA will notify the relevant on site Official-in-Charge (OIC) about any person who has been granted permission to use a golf cart during a GCA Qualifying or Championship Round. The GCGA will then ask the OIC to oversee the person's use of a golf cart so that all of the guidelines in the Stipulation are properly followed.

PROCEDURES FOR REQUESTING A GOLF CART IN GCGA QUALIFYING AND CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS

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Requests for golf carts will not be accepted directly from caddies under any circumstances. Only a player may submit a request for a golf cart. The player must submit the golf cart request for each caddie and for each and every GCGA Qualifying and Championship where the player intends to compete (whether submitting for the player or on behalf of the caddie). The only exception to the above is that a parent/guardian must submit the golf cart request on behalf of a minor player or caddie for a minor player. In each instance the information form must be completed and submitted together with the required medical documentation as specified in the form and must be received by the GCGA within five days of submitting the online entry application. Phone submissions will not be accepted under any circumstances. Requests without the fully completed information form and required medical documentation will be considered insufficient for review and consideration. In the event of a change in your medical condition or your caddie's which occur subsequent to submission of the entry application, written submission of all documentation must be received by the GCGA no later than seven before the qualifier or championship proper as applicable. Requests by a player due to a change in the player's caddie must be addressed no later than seven (7) days in advance of the Championship and/or Qualifier, and must be in accordance with the above referenced requirements relating to the submission of information for evaluation. On-site requests at the beginning of or during a Qualifying or Championship round will not be accommodated. Requests submitted to anyone other than the GCGA's designated authority will not be evaluated. All information submitted in connection with the golf cart request should be sent to the Greater Cincinnati Golf Association, 9200 Montgomery Road, Suite 24B, Cincinnati, OH 45242-7794 or via facsimile line at 513.521.4242 in order to be received by the GCGA within the required time frame for evaluation.

Important Note: If you are a player who has received a waiver and signed a Stipulation during a prior GCGA Championship season, you must still submit your request (as outlined above) for a cart to for the current Championship season. You must also submit your request (without the information form) in accordance with the above process for each Qualifying or championship event you intend to play in during any given Championship season to ensure that a cart will be available for your use. If you are a player who has received a waiver and signed a Stipulation governing use of a cart as a player, but you also intend to be a caddie for a player in another Championship, the request for a waiver for you as a caddie must be submitted by the player you intend to caddie for and another Stipulation pertaining to caddies must be executed by you. Caddies will not be permitted to use a cart at the GCGA Metropolitan Championship, even with the executed Stipulation, if a player has not submitted the request in accordance with the process outlined above in advance of the Qualifying or Championship Rounds.

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