

Northwest Missouri State University

Policy and Procedures Manual

Chapter Environmental Services

Section Golf Carts - Policies for
On-Campus Travel

I. Purpose

This policy is intended to give those operating golf-carts on Northwest property some direction on what is considered prudent and acceptable.

II. Policy

Using common sense when traveling around campus on a golf-cart is the basic rule. This would include driving on the sidewalks whenever possible. If students are using the walk, you will need to yield to them. When pulling off of the sidewalk to allow students to pass, look for a grassy area to pull off on. In wet weather, this is especially important, as failure to do so will cause ruts and muddy walks.

When turning from one sidewalk to another, always be sure to make the turn so that the wheels stay on the sidewalk. Failure to do so causes dirt areas (or mud areas) in those radiuses.

Do not block sidewalks or building entrances when parking the cart to enter a building. The first priority use of the sidewalks is for pedestrians, not golf-carts.

Good sense needs to be exercised regarding speeding while driving a cart. Any speed, in which the cart cannot be stopped in time to avoid any unforeseen event, is considered to be reckless and privileges to operate a golf-cart on Northwest may be discontinued.

Since many people have operated a golf-cart, the keys should be removed when parking. Also, the brake needs to be set when leaving the cart unattended.

Following these basic principles will help insure the continued use of golf-carts on Northwest campus.

Anyone operating a golf-cart that is not owned by Northwest must report to Campus Safety prior to using it on campus.