

Policy on Public Use of Assistive Mobility Devices in Campgrounds at the John W. Flannagan Dam & Reservoir, in Virginia (June 2016)

Assistive mobility devices, such as a powered wheel chair, electric scooter, or golf car, are permitted for use by individuals with mobility impairments for necessary transportation within the campgrounds. In order for a person to use an assistive mobility device, he or she must provide credible assurance that the device is being used because of a mobility disability. The individual must provide one of the following: a valid, State-issued disability parking placard or card, State-issued proof of disability, or similar document. All assistive mobility devices are for personal use by the individual with a disability and only for direct transportation between facilities and activities. Additionally for golf cars, also referred to as low speed vehicles, the Corps has adopted applicable Federal and State safety standards for their use and the following requirements apply:

1. Golf cars must be operated on campground roadways in accordance with the posted speed limits and other traffic control signs.
2. Golf cars are not to be operated off roadways, on sidewalks, through neighboring camp sites, or parked on the grass.
3. No person shall operate any golf car unless he or she is in possession of a valid driver's license or learner's permit. If the disabled individual needs a driver, the driver must possess a valid driver's license. No other passengers are permitted.
4. Every golf car when in operation, shall display a triangular slow-moving vehicle emblem on the rear of the vehicle in addition to their license plate.
5. Golf cars must be titled and registered and shall be subject to the same requirements as to insurance applicable to other motor vehicles.
6. The operator of any golf car will have the registration card for that vehicle in their possession as well as their driver's license, learner's permit, or temporary driver's permit.
7. Golf cars must meet the following requirements:
 - (a) The maximum speed attainable of the golf car is 25 miles per hour.
 - (b) The golf car shall be equipped with operating/working:
 - (1) Head lamps, Tail lamps, and Stop lamps
 - (2) Externally and internally mounted rearview mirrors
 - (3) A parking brake,
 - (4) A windshield
 - (5) One or more windshield wipers
 - (6) Speedometer and Odometer
 - (7) Braking for each wheel
 - (8) A Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
 - (9) A safety belt system
8. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in the golf car not being permitted to be used at the campgrounds.