**MAFFRA GOLF CLUB LITHIUM BATTERY POLICY**

**Introduction:** Maffra Golf Club is committed to providing a safe and enjoyable environment for all its members and visitors. In line with this commitment, the club has established a Lithium Battery Policy to ensure the responsible use and storage of lithium batteries on the premises.

**Policy Guidelines:**

1. **Lithium Battery Use:**
	* Members and visitors are allowed to use lithium batteries for powering their golf buggys and other electronic devices on the golf course.
	* All lithium batteries must be in good working condition, free from visible damage or defects.
2. **No Charging in Cart Sheds:**
	* To minimize the risk of fire hazards, charging of lithium batteries for golf buggies, is strictly prohibited in the cart sheds.
3. **Battery Inspection:**
	* Golf cart operators are responsible for ensuring that their lithium batteries are in good condition before use.
	* Damaged or malfunctioning batteries should be reported immediately to the clubhouse staff.
4. **Storage Guidelines:**
	* When not in use, lithium batteries should be stored in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
	* Avoid leaving batteries in golf buggies for an extended period without use.
5. **Reporting Incidents:**
	* Any incidents or concerns related to lithium batteries, including overheating or damage, should be reported to the club staff promptly.
	* In case of a fire or emergency, follow the club's emergency procedures and evacuate the area immediately.
6. **Educational Initiatives:**
	* The club will undertake educational initiatives to inform members and visitors about the proper handling, storage, and charging of lithium batteries.
	* Informational signage will be displayed at key locations to reinforce the importance of responsible lithium battery use.

**Enforcement:** Violation of this Lithium Battery Policy may result in appropriate disciplinary action, which may include suspension of golfing privileges or expulsion from the club, depending on the severity of the infraction.

**Review and Revision:** This policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Any necessary revisions will be made in consultation with club members and in compliance with relevant safety standards.

By adhering to this Lithium Battery Policy, Maffra Golf Club aims to create a safe and enjoyable environment for all golfers while minimizing the risks associated with lithium battery usage on the premises.

This policy was accepted by the Maffra Golf Club Committee on February 13th, 2024

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