

Golf Cart Maintenance Guide: The Ultimate Checklist

Owning a golf cart is a fantastic way to enjoy smooth rides on the green, cruise around the neighborhood, or make your errands more efficient. To keep your cart running in peak condition, regular maintenance is key. Here is your ultimate guide to maintaining your golf cart.

1. Charge Your Cart's Batteries Every Day

For electric golf carts, daily battery charging is essential. After each use, charge your batteries to ensure they're ready for the next ride. A fully charged battery not only enhances performance but also prolongs its lifespan.

2. Check Battery Water Levels

Monitor the water levels in your batteries. Always charge the batteries before refilling and use distilled water to top off the cells. The water level should be about half an inch above the lead plates.

3. Clean Your Batteries

Inspect and clean your batteries regularly. Remove dirt and corrosion from the terminals using a mixture of baking soda and water. Tighten any loose connections for optimal electrical flow.

4. Check Tire Pressure

Underinflated tires can cause uneven wear, while overinflated ones are prone to punctures. Use a tire pressure gauge to ensure the tires are inflated to the manufacturer's recommended PSI. Proper tire care ensures a smooth ride and longer-lasting tires.

5. Inspect Your Brakes

Efficient brakes are critical for safety. Regularly inspect your brake pads, drums, and cables. Adjust or replace components as necessary to maintain a reliable braking system.

6. Maintain the Steering Wheel System

Grease the steering wheel rack annually and check the yoke system for loose bolts. Ensuring proper steering functionality contributes to a safer and smoother ride.

7. Replace Batteries as Needed

When replacing golf cart batteries, it's best to replace the entire pack to avoid performance issues. Mixing old and new batteries can lead to overcharging and reduce the life of the new battery.

8. Inspect Lights and Mirrors

For street-legal carts, inspect turn signals, brake lights, and headlights regularly. Replace bulbs or fuses as needed to stay compliant and safe on the road.

9. Lubricate Key Components

Check your owner's manual for lubrication schedules. Regularly grease suspension and steering components to reduce wear and tear. If you notice oil leaks, inspect your cart's underside or contact a professional.

10. Store Your Golf Cart Properly

If storing your cart for the off-season, ensure it's clean and covered in a cool, dry location. For extended storage, disconnect the batteries to prevent draining and charge them every few months.

11. Schedule Annual Professional Servicing

Even with diligent maintenance, some issues are best addressed by professionals. Schedule an annual inspection with Legacy Carts Arizona to identify and resolve any potential problems.

Electric and Gas Golf Cart Quick Checklists

Electric Golf Cart

- Daily: Charge the batteries.
- Weekly: Check battery water levels.
- Monthly: Clean batteries, inspect lights, and check tire pressure.
- Yearly: Inspect the brake system and schedule professional servicing.

Gas Golf Cart

- Weekly: Check fuel gauge and clean the fuel cap.
- Monthly: Inspect the engine, replace oil, and check for leaks.
- Yearly: Replace air filters, inspect brakes and spark plugs, and perform professional servicing.

Final Words

By following this comprehensive maintenance guide, you can enjoy trouble-free rides and prolong the life of your golf cart. If you encounter any issues or have questions, don't hesitate to reach out to the experts at Legacy Carts Arizona. Visit our website at [Legacy Carts Arizona] or <https://legacycartsaz.com/> call us at (602) 456-6562 for personalized assistance. We're here to keep you cruising in style!

Monthly Golf Cart Maintenance Checklist

Golf Cart Number or Licence:
Name:
Gas or Electric

INSPECTION LIST	NOTES	Check	COMMENTS
Check Tire Pressure	<i>(Check your tire for psi information)</i>		
Inspect Tire Tread	<i>Wear lines should be even</i>		
Test Horn			
Test Back-up Alarm			
Test Blinkers			
Test Headlamps			
Test Break Lamps			
Test Break Operation	<i>Put cart in motion</i>		
Test Parking Lock			
Test Steering Operation			
Inspect Battery Compartment	<i>Look for: corrosion, bad wiring, cracks, liquid present Clean battery compartment if needed</i>		
Fill Batteries (Distilled Water)			
Inspect and Clean Windshield			
Clean Console & Trailer			
Clean Cart Exterior			
Perform Walkaround			
Other:			

Date Inspection Completed:
Signature:

