



Montana High School Association

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MHSA GOLF CART POLICY – PARTICIPANTS

Except as required by applicable law, participants may not use golf carts in MHSA golf events. The MHSA will evaluate, on a case-by-case basis, any request to use a golf cart in MHSA golf events due to a claimed disability. In order for the MHSA to evaluate such requests, the student must submit medical documentation regarding the exact nature of the disability and how that disability prevents the student from walking during a round. In addition, the student must submit answers to the following questions to the MHSA. The information must be sent to Brian Michelotti at the MHSA (see address at top of page or email to bmichelotti@mhsa.org). An exemption is valid for one calendar year; the medical information and response to the following questions must be submitted each year an exemption is sought.

Please note that requests due to “temporary” injuries or impairments that do not qualify as a “disability” under the ADA will not be granted. For your information, a disability protected by the ADA is “a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual.”

Questions for Students Seeking to Use a Cart in MHSA Golf Events

- 1) Please explain your disability and why it requires that you use a cart.
- 2) Is your disability permanent or temporary? How long have you had this disability? Is it stable? Has it become worse over time?
- 3) Provide a current medical report from a physician that has evaluated your condition, describing the nature and extent of your disability and explaining why it would be beyond your ability to walk during MHSA Golf Events.
- 4) Provide a list of the golf events you have played in the past two years and state whether you walked or used a cart during these events.
- 5) On average, how many times a week do you play golf? What percentage of the time do you walk when you play? What percentage of the time do you use a cart?