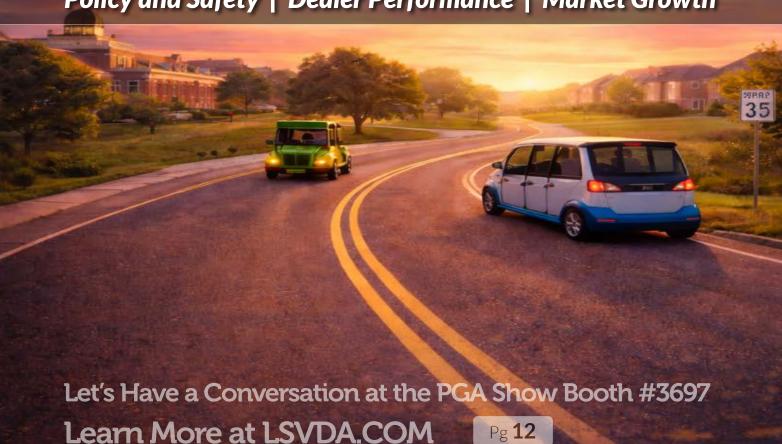




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Membership Has Its Privileges: Why Supporting LSVDA Can Pay Off Big

For much of its history, the golf car industry did not view itself as a transportation market. In the late 1970s, there were no personal transportation vehicle standards, no formal on-road frameworks, and little regulatory clarity. Dealers sold fleet vehicles, serviced courses, and quietly adapted used cars for nearby communities as demand emerged. Markets formed before categories existed. Growth happened—but largely without structure.

Those patterns were not obvious only in hindsight. Long before formal categories like PTVs or LSVs existed, dealers were already adapting products, customers were already pushing use cases beyond original intent, and manufacturers were quietly deciding which risks to absorb and which to defer. Markets moved first. Structure followed later, often just in time.

What is different today is scale.

Low-speed vehicles now sit squarely at the intersection of mobility, regulation, safety, and market growth. Visibility is higher. Expectations are higher. And the cost of operating in isolation has never been greater. In moments like this, when growth accelerates faster than coordination, industry engagement becomes a competitive advantage.

That is precisely the role the Low Speed Vehicle Dealer Association (LSVDA) was formed to play.

From Equipment to Transportation and the Evolving Role of the Dealer

The transition from "equipment" to "transportation" did not happen overnight. It unfolded gradually through changes in technology, customer expectations, and use cases, many of them driven first by dealers.

Over time, dealers evolved from service partners into retailers serving lifestyle customers, commercial sellers supporting campuses and municipalities, and integrators of accessories, financing, and service programs. Across every decade, one pattern holds: dealers who adapted early and learned collectively built stronger, more durable businesses.

Every major growth phase followed a familiar pattern, informal dealer innovation, followed by manufacturer validation, followed by formal standards. When those stages aligned, markets expanded responsibly. When they did not, confusion and risk followed.

LSVDA's role is to accelerate that learning curve by identifying, sharing, and reinforcing dealer best practices before mistakes become costly.

Education and Best Practices: Why Shared Learning Wins

Structured learning consistently outperforms trial-and-error.

Dealers and suppliers who engaged in peer-driven education demonstrated higher margins, fewer operational missteps, stronger manufacturer relationships, and faster adaptation to change. The advantage was not access to information, but access to applied insight grounded in real-world conditions across markets.

LSVDA provides a trusted forum where experience becomes insight and insight becomes repeatable best practice before errors become expensive.

Data and Market Insight: From Guesswork to Advantage

Historically, many industry decisions were made without reliable market data, particularly in emerging consumer and commercial segments. As markets scale, intuition alone becomes unreliable. What works at small volumes often breaks as visibility increases and scrutiny follows.

Credible data now enables dealers, suppliers, and OEMs to anticipate demand, understand regional differences, and align product and inventory strategies with real market signals.

LSVDA helps curate and contextualize market insight so members can make better decisions faster—without mistaking noise for signal.

Policy and Safety: Growth That Lasts Requires Credibility

Few forces shape the future of low-speed vehicles more than policy and safety.

History suggests a consistent outcome when industries fail to self-regulate: regulation arrives abruptly, often without nuance. Practices tolerated at small volumes attract attention as markets grow, and enforcement rarely distinguishes between responsible operators and outliers.

LSVDA supports dealer-led advocacy and industry alignment so safety, policy, and growth advance together, protecting both credibility and long-term market opportunity.

Collective Voice: Why Institutions Matter Now

In earlier eras, informal networks were enough. Today, they do not scale.

The complexity and visibility of the modern low-speed vehicle market demand coordination across dealers, suppliers, and OEMs. The question is no longer whether the industry will be organized, but whether that organization is shaped intentionally by those closest to the market—or reactively by external forces.

LSVDA serves as industry infrastructure, connecting stakeholders, aligning priorities, and providing a platform where collaboration replaces fragmentation.

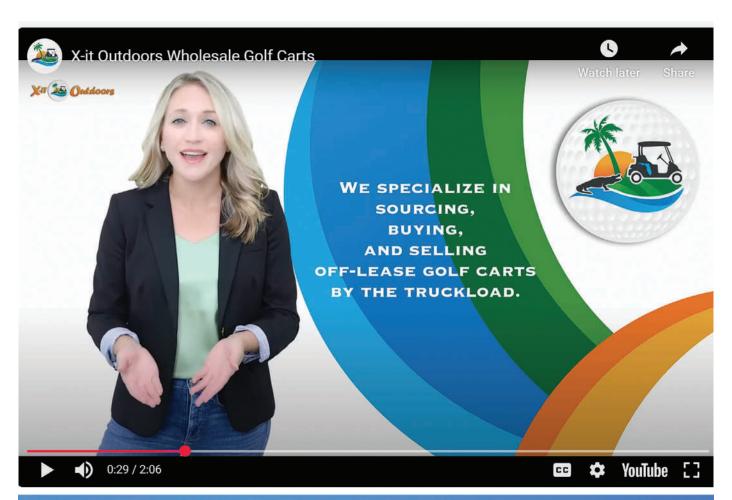
Membership Has Its Privileges Membership has its privileges, but the real value comes from engagement.

Within the low-speed consumer and commercial vehicle markets. LSVDA serves as the platform where that engagement becomes practical, connecting dealers, suppliers, and OEMs around shared priorities that affect performance, policy, and long-term credibility. Organizations that actively participate in associations like LSVDA consistently report stronger operational performance, earlier visibility into regulatory and market change, reduced risk through shared learning, and more meaningful industry relationships.

In a market still defining its future, supporting LSVDA is not about affiliation. It is about leverage to learn faster, operate smarter, reduce risk, and help shape responsible, profitable growth.

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Emotional trial underway for driver accused of killing family in golf cart crash

Austin Harmon is accused of driving drunk and causing a crash that killed Mi-

chael Marlowe and his two children, who were on a golf cart on Fort Dobbs Road in June 2022.

Prosecutors say Harmon's blood alcohol level was above the legal limit at 0.12, and there were drugs in his system at the time of the crash. Three other people were seriously injured in the incident.

The paramedic was the first to arrive and found the father and his five-year-old son deceased.

The same paramedic testified that she saw Harmon carry a small child after the wreck and did not observe him stumbling or unsteady on his feet.

The trial continues as the community seeks justice for the tragic loss of life and the impact on the surviving victims.

SOURCE

Dozens of family members and friends of Mi-

chael Marlowe attended the court proceedings, listening to emotional testimony from several first responders.

Channel 9's
Dave Faherty
reported from
the courtroom
Thursday, noting that one of
the paramedics
broke down on
the stand while
describing the
horrific scene.



Austin Harmon is accused of driving drunk and causing a crash that killed Michael Marlowe and his two children, who were on a golf cart on Fort Dobbs Road in June 2022.



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St. Paul, MN company's adaptive golf cart aims to make the sport more accessible

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A St. Paul, Minnesota-based company called VertaCat is making waves with its innovative, all-terrain adaptive golf cart, designed by brothers Tim and Tony Nicholson, to allow golfers with severe mobility challenges (like spinal cord injuries or paralysis) to stand up and play the sport again, transforming the experience from a seated activity to a truly upright, inclusive game. These specialized carts function like all-terrain vehicles, letting users drive onto greens and hit shots from a standing or semi-standing position, overcoming obstacles like hills and sand, and bringing back the joy of the full golf experience for thousands of disabled players.almost as quiet as an electric one.

Key Features & Impact:

Stand-On-Demand: The core technology

lifts users into a standing position, allowing them to swing a club as they would normally.

- All-Terrain Capability: Built tough, it handles grass, sand, and hills, giving users access to nearly any part of the course, notes this Abilities.com article.
- Reshapes the Game: It's more than just a cart; it's a life-changer, enabling those who left the sport to return and play with family and friends, says VertaCat.
- Inspired by Others: The design draws inspiration from similar adaptive carts like the ParaGolfer by Ottobock, but Verta-Cat focuses on all-terrain use, notes this Star Tribune article.



VertaCat

 Community Impact: VertaCat aims to increase accessibility, with Minnesota Golf Association (MGA) partnering with them for adaptive golf events, notes the MGA website.

Why It Matters:

With millions of Americans having disabilities that affect their mobility, VertaCat addresses a significant gap in the golf industry, making the sport more inclusive and bringing back a beloved outdoor activity for many, says The Business Journals.

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Jeff Nicholson, head of marketing at Vertacat, demonstrates how the product is used on the course.



Power Unleashed: How Vatrer's 48V 105Ah Lithium Battery is Revolutionizing the Golf Cart Experience

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The 12-Step Playbook Begins — A Year of Dealer Leadership and Community Growth

If 2025 was the year the industry woke up to neighborhood EV mobility, then 2026 is the year dealers take the wheel. Across the country, we're seeing a powerful surge in community interest, municipal updates to golf car and LSV ordinances, and a genuine shift in how residents think about short-trip transportation. That momentum is not random — it's the result of hundreds of dealers, partners, and advocates doing the work at the local level.

That's why LSVDA launched the TRACTION Series, a 12-step, 52-week roadmap designed to help dealers build safe, legal, profitable local markets, one community at a time. December's four themes were about reflection, clarity, and alignment, giving dealers a strong foundation heading into January.

We begin with the most important step: revisiting your "why." Every dealer comes into this space with a reason that goes beyond selling vehicles. Some entered because their community needed safer mobility options. Others saw the opportunity to support HOAs and local governments. Others recognized the environmental benefit or the unmet need for short-trip, zero-emission transportation. Your original motivation, your "why", is the compass that keeps you aligned when

schedules fill up and priorities compete.

From there, we move into the practical work of mapping your year. The dealers who grow fastest aren't the ones with the biggest budgets, they're the ones with the clearest maps. The communities most ready to adopt golf car or LSV mobility nearly always share the same profile: HOA-led, 300–500 homes, public roads, a community gathering space like a clubhouse or marina, access to at least one shopping center or school, and homes with two-car garages. These neighborhoods have predictable patterns of engagement, convenience-driven behaviors,

and a natural interest in shorttrip electrification. Dealers who identify their top five target communities now will be miles ahead by Q2.

Next is recognition. No market grows alone. Behind every approval, every safety initiative, and every community conversation is a single individual who helped champion the cause. This is the moment to name

your Community Mobility Champion; a traffic engineer, HOA president, law enforcement partner, or supplier who helped advance mobility, safety, or community engagement in 2025. Recognition isn't just politely acknowledging contributions; it strengthens relationships, signals professionalism to municipal stakeholders, and inspires others to engage.

Finally, we close the month with connection,

take the wheel.

real, human connection. A simple Coffee & Carts event at your dealership can have more impact than a dozen marketing posts. Bring customers, partners, and key community members together for 30 minutes. Share your wins. Share your goals. Share the safety improvements and the opportunities ahead. These gatherings create trust, reinforce your leadership role, and set the tone for collaborative progress throughout the year.

For OEMs and suppliers, this is the moment to lean in as well. Dealers who build local markets create downstream demand for

vehicles, batteries, chargers, accessories, telematics, insurance products, and infrastructure. Supporting dealers with training, safety materials, co-sponsored events, and community presentations doesn't just help them — it grows your channel and strengthens the entire ecosystem.

Decades of industry experience have shown me that market growth never starts with a product. It starts with leadership. It starts with community. And it starts with dealers who decide they are going to be the catalyst for something larger than their showroom.

The 12-Step TRACTION Playbook is now underway. December laid the foundation. January

accelerates the mission. And 2026 is the year local on-road mobility becomes one of the most transformative growth opportunities our industry has seen.

If you want to shape the future, not just watch it happen, now is the time to stand with the dealers and suppliers who are leading the movement.

Join LSVDA. Together, we're building safer, smarter, stronger neighborhood mobility one community at a time.. ■

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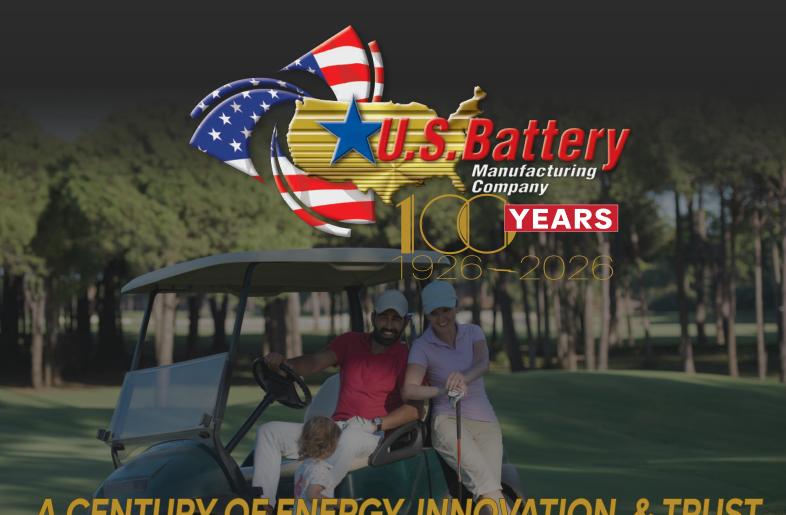






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Redway Battery, a leading OEM lithium battery manufacturer based in Shenzhen, today announced the launch of its <u>next-generation LiFePO4 golf cart battery</u> lineup, marking a significant step in the company's global market expansion strategy for electric mobility and light-duty vehicles.

With over 13 years of experience in lithium battery manufacturing, Redway Battery has built a strong reputation for delivering high-performance, safe, and durable LiFe-PO4 battery solutions. The newly introduced golf cart battery series is designed to support the accelerating shift from traditional lead-acid batteries to lithium technology, particularly across golf courses, resorts, gated communities, and commercial fleets worldwide.

Redway Battery

Driving the Upgrade from Lead-Acid to Lithium

The new LiFePO4 golf cart batteries are available in multiple voltage and capacity configurations, including 36V and 48V systems, to ensure compatibility with a wide range of mainstream golf cart platforms. Designed as direct replacements for lead-acid batteries, these lithium solutions offer longer cycle life, higher energy efficiency, and significantly reduced maintenance requirements.

According to Redway Battery, the product launch directly addresses key challenges faced by golf cart operators, such as frequent battery replacements, long charging times, and performance degradation. By adopting LiFePO4 chemistry, users can benefit from stable output, fast charging, and consistent performance throughout the battery's lifespan.

"Golf cart operators are increasingly looking for solutions that lower total cost of ownership while improving reliability," said a spokesperson for Redway Battery. "This new generation of lithium golf cart batteries reflects our commitment to delivering practical, future-ready energy solutions that meet real-world operational demands."

Advanced Manufacturing Backed by MES Systems

The newly launched batteries are produced across Redway Battery's four advanced factories, which together span more than 100,000 square feet of production space. Automated manufacturing lines and a fully integrated Manufacturing Execution System (MES) enable precise quality control at every stage, from cell selection to final pack assembly.

All products are manufactured under ISO 9001:2015-certified processes, ensuring consistent performance, traceability, and reliability. The company emphasizes that safety remains a top priority, with LiFePO4 chemistry chosen specifically for its thermal stability and low risk of thermal runaway, making it well-suited for daily-use electric vehicles.



48V 150Ah LiFePO4 Golf Cart Battery (S48150P)

OEM and ODM Customization for Global Partners

Beyond product performance, the launch highlights Redway Battery's broader market strategy focused on OEM and ODM partnerships. The company offers full customization services, including tailored dimensions, branding, electrical specifications, and smart BMS configurations to meet regional standards and application-specific requirements.

Redway Battery

This approach allows distributors, fleet operators, and equipment manufacturers to bring differentiated lithium-powered solutions to market without investing in in-house battery development. Redway's engineering team works closely with partners to ensure seamless integration and long-term reliability.

"Our goal is not just to sell batteries, but to empower our partners with scalable energy solutions," the spokesperson added. "From customized designs to technical support and after-sales service, we act as a long-term OEM partner."

Global Market Expansion Strategy

The launch of the new golf cart battery [https://www.redwaybattery.com/golf-cart-battery/] series is part of Redway Battery's broader strategy to strengthen its presence in international markets, particularly in Europe, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, and North America. Demand in these regions continues to grow as golf courses and commercial operators adopt sustainable electrification solutions.

Customer feedback from markets such as Thailand and Indonesia has already highlighted improvements in operational efficiency, reduced downtime, and enhanced user experience due to the lighter weight and compact design of Redway's lithium batteries. These real-world results are reinforcing confidence in lithium adoption across emerging and mature markets alike.

Supporting a Broader Energy Portfolio

While golf cart batteries remain a core focus of this launch, Redway Battery continues to expand its lithium portfolio across multiple sectors. In addition to golf carts, the company provides LiFePO4 battery solutions for forklifts, AGVs, telecom infrastructure, RVs, solar storage, and stationary energy systems.

This diversified product strategy positions Redway Battery as a comprehensive lithium energy provider, capable of supporting both mobility and energy storage applications under a unified quality and service framework.

About Redway Battery

Redway Battery is a trusted OEM lithium battery manufacturer headquartered in Shenzhen, China. With more than 13 years of industry experience, the company specializes in LiFePO4 batteries for forklifts and golf carts, while also delivering solutions for RVs, telecom, solar, and energy storage systems. Backed by four advanced factories, automated production lines, MES systems, and a dedicated engineering team, Redway Battery provides full OEM/ODM customization and 24/7 after-sales support to customers worldwide.

As global electrification accelerates, Redway Battery remains committed to innovation, quality, and long-term partnerships-powering the next generation of electric mobility with reliable lithium energy solutions.

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Ant Cart	2701	Not available	NEW
Atlas Carts	3209	atlascarts.com	
BC Companies LLC	2809	bccollc.com	
Birdie Balou	4265	birdiebalou.com	
BiT Software	3701	bitdms.com	
BLP Motor	2455	blpmoto.com	NEW
Breezy EV	3401	breezyev.com	
Brose	3661	brose.com	NEW
BSL New Energy Technology Co., Ltd	3722	lithiumforkliftbattery.com	NEW
CaddyBar	2957	caddybar.com	
Cart IoT	4226	cartiot.com	NEW
Club Car	Not Available	clubcar.com	
Club Pro Mfg	3543	clubpro.com	
Club Protector	3635	clubprotector.com	
Curenta Battery	3656	curentabattery.com	
Denago EV	3479	denagoev.com	
Drydots	3919	drydots.com	NEW
Duracell	2603	duracellion.com	NEW
Eagle Parts & Products	3407	eagleproducts.us	
Eco Battery	3609	ecobattery.com	NEW
Eneroc	4008	enerocbattery.com	
Evolution Electric Vehicles	3029	evolutionelectricvehicle.com	
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E-Z-GO	3843	ezgo.txtsv.com	
FG Transmission Technology	2961	fullgear.com.cn	
FJ Controlling USA	3391	Not available	NEW
Freewind	4455	freewind.com	NEW
FSIP Electronics	2461	shop.fsip.biz	
Genek International Parts (Changzhou) Co., Ltd.	2405	genekv.com	
General Transmissions	3908A	Not available	NEW
Grove & Green	3189	groveandgreen.com	NEW
Guangdong Kalaida Technology Co., Ltd (Nokins)	LOBBYB_B14	nokinsgolfcart.com	
Harman International JBL	3179	harmanaudio.com	
Hebei Leicheng Machinery Mfg Co., Ltd	3756	leicheng.com.cn	
Honor LSV	3315	honorlsv.com	
Iceco	3678	icecofreezer.com	NEW
Icon EV	3157	iconev.com	
Imecar	2353	imecar.com	
Jiangsu FMX Electric Vehicle Co Ltd	3546	Not available	NEW
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Joycube Battery Co	3928	phylion.com	
Kandi America	3651	kandiamerica.com	
Lithium Rhino	3922	litiumrhino.com	NEW
Marsilli Product Factory (H.K.) Ltd.	3648	trilightgolf.com	
Massimo Motor Sports, LLC	3411	massimoelectric.com	
MATE Mobiliity	1901	matemobility.co.kr	NEW
Maverick Advantage	3200A	maverickadvantage.net	NEW
Navitas Vehicle Systems Ltd	3057	navitasvs.com	
New Use Energy Solutions	2629	newuseenergy.com	
Nivel Parts & Mfg.	3143	nivelparts.com	
Novus Polishes	3152	novuspolish.com	
Qingdao Florescence New Energy Tech Co., Ltd	2403	golfs-cart.com	NEW
RYDZ USA	3823	rydzllc.com	NEW
SeaDek	2893	seadek.com	NEW
SEG Automotive North America LLC	4000A	seg-automotive.com	NEW
Shandong Kepler Vehicle Manufacturinfg Co. Ltd	2360	kepler-cart.com	NEW
Shandong Meeko New Energy Tech Inc	1409	meekocars.com	NEW
Shenzhen Improve Battery Co Ltd	3758	improvecn.com	NEW
Shenzhen Shiwei New Energy Co., Ltd.	4264	siswaybattery.com	NEW
SilverWolf Vehicles Inc	2753	silverwolf.com	
Star EV Corp	2763	starev.com	
Starline	2590	starlinepower.com	NEW
StixClip	3800	stixclip.com	NEW
Stripebird	3612	stripebird.com	NEW
Suzhou Clouds Power Tech Co., Ltd	3557	cloudspowerusa.com	
TEKO Inc	3857	tekoev.com	NEW
The Cart Locker	3190	thecartlocker.com	
Tomberlin c/o Columbia Vehicle Group	3351	tomberlinusa.com	
TopHat Cart Enclosures	LOBBYA-8	tophatenclosures.com	NEW
Trojan Battery Company	3227	trojanbattery.com	
Turtlebox Audio	2391	turtleboxaudio.com	NEW
U.S. Battery Mfg Co	2624	usbattery.com	
Vatrer Power	1113	vatrerpower.com	NEW
Venom EV	Not Available	venom-ev.com	
Verdi Motor EV	3591	verdimotor.com	
VertaCat	1284	vertacat.com	
Vimo Mobility	3021	vimomobility.com	NEW
Volvit	3292	Not available	NEW
Whisper Carts	2683	whisperev.com	NEW
Wind Genie	3900A	windgeniegolf.com	NEW
WiTricity	2173	witricity.com	NEW
Xiamen Aidezhou Automobile Co., Ltd.	3051	xmadz.com	
Yamaha Golf-Car Company	2643, 2653	yamahagolfcar.com	
Yangzhou Boom New Energy Electric Vehicle Tech Co., Ltd	801	Not available	NEW

MEET THE

Tee-ZL1

Golfers with a taste for style might want to see this Camaro-inspired cart, one of several creative builds offered by <u>Caddyshack Golf Cars</u>

If you're the type of golfer who enjoys turning heads between holes, and you'd rather not blend in with the crowd of beige carts dotting the fairway, there's an alternative worth a closer look. What you see here started life as a standard E-Z-Go electric golf cart. Now, it wears a full Chevrolet Camaro costume, thanks to a head-turning custom job.

This particular cart recently sold on Cars & Bids for \$6,565, showing that there's a market for golfers who want their ride to reflect a bit more personality. The build comes from Caddyshack Golf Cars, a company specializing in golf carts styled to resemble full-sized cars, sometimes convincingly, sometimes amusingly.

front end of the cart includes similar headlights, grilles, and air intakes to a sixth-generation Camaro, making it look far more aggressive than any golf cart we've seen before. If you want to cruise along the fairway in style, this is certainly one way to do it.

Complementing the sharp front-end of the cart are a set of chrome wheels and a rear just like the Camaro, albeit with a large opening to store your clubs. In addition to rocking a unique exterior, the cart includes a suede headliner and leather and suede-trimmed seats with orange piping and contrast stitching.

Despite its confident exterior, the drivetrain remains untouched. That means performance is on par with a typical electric golf cart, regardless of how much it looks like it should launch off the tee box.





Other Car-Inspired Carts

As noted by Autoevolution, Caddyshack Golf Cars offers a surprising array of similar builds. Their inventory includes carts styled after a Mercedes-Benz G-Wagen and even one that channels the look of a Shelby Cobra.

There's also a sleek Porsche 356 Speedster replica and another Camaro-bodied cart finished in bright blue, for those who prefer something louder than burnt orange. **SOURCE**





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Beyond The Gated Community

By Stephen Metzger Managing Director Small Vehicle Resource, LLC smetzger@smallvehicleresource.com www.smallvehicleresource.com



State of the Industry at the Beginning of the New Year



Entering 2026 the industry and market for golf car type vehicles is digesting changes which have dramatically affected supply side costs, and at the same time, can look forward to significant opportunities for growth. In the first instance, governmental policy changes will have an important impact on relative competitiveness. Secondly, organic growth in street legal vehicles continues, while major growth opportunities could open up even beyond this.

Summary of policy changes that have affected relative brand competitiveness in the marketplace

It is clear that the policy changes, relating to countervailing duties and anti-dumping penalties (CVD/AD), are having an impact on golf car imports:

- Impending penalties during the latter half of 2024 led to a significant run-up of imports, causing an overload of inventories entering 2025;
- The preemptive imports themselves led to a decline in imports throughout 2025;
- Inaddition, the size of the CVD/AD penalties are likely to have a continuing negative impact on imports from China;

For more information on SVR's strategic industry and market analysis, entitled, Trends and Outlook for the Golf Car Market & Industry, 2019-2032©-Market challenges; major growth opportunities, contact smetzger@smallvehicleresource.com

 As a result, Vietnam has displaced China as the principal country of origin for golf car imports.

Wiley Rein LLC, the law firm representing the American Personal Transportation Vehicle Coalition, consisting of Club Car and E-Z-GO Textron, announced the final affirmative findings of the Department of Commerce and U.S. International Trade Commiossiona and the wide range of penalties.

"...the U.S. Department of Commerce [has] determined that Chinese LSPTV imports are being unfairly traded, meaning that AD/CVD orders will now be issued on imports of these Chinese vehicles. Antidumping duties will be imposed at rates ranging from 119% to 478%, and countervailing duties will be imposed at rates between 31% and 679%."

--Press release from Wiley on July

With rates at the higher range implying additional costs of as much as five times the landed value, vehicle prices would be in the range of \$12-\$15,000 before any mark-up at retail. It would appear that losses will be inevitable at the importer/manufacturer

level or at the dealership, or both, at least in the short run.

In its leading report on the industry, Small Vehicle Resource analyzes the rate of excess inventory sell-off and the price decreases involved, based on import data and demand elasticity parameters. This report is now available and can be ordered.

Penalties applied selectively to individual Chines manufacturers

It should be noted that the CVD/AD penalties are applied selectively to individual Chinese manufacturers, depending on the findings of the ITC and Commerce. Thus, brands will also be selectively affected.

The table on the next page aligns Chinese manufacturers with the brands involved at the penalty rates applied. There are 12 Chinese manufacturers listed and numerous brands widely sold in the U.S, including ones that have been in business quite a while, as well as relative newcomers.

Penalty Rates	by Chinese Manufactur	er and U.S. Brand
Chinese Manufacturer	Brands Affected	CVD/AD Penalty Rates
Xiamen Dalle / HDK	Evolution	312.54% AD / 44.38% CVD
LV Tong (Guangdong Lvtong)	Advanced EV ICON	119.39% AD / 31.45% CVD
Marshell	Star EV Epic	292.03% AD (separate rate) / 41.14% CVD (all others)
Tao Motor (Zhejiang Taotao)	Denago GoTrax Racka Coleman	292.03% AD (separate rate) / 41.14% CVD (all others)
NUOLE – Cengo Car	Kandi Vivid Gorilla Rides Venom	478.09% AD (China-wide)‡ / 41.14% CVD (all others)
Aoxiang (Shenzhen Aoxiang)	Sierra LSV Honor LSV Risun Kodiak Apex	292.03% AD (separate rate) / 41.14% CVD (all others)
EXCar (Dongguan Excar)	Bintelli Atlas	292.03% AD (separate rate) / 41.14% CVD (all others)
LeRoad (Jiaxing Learoad)	Nivel MadJax LeRoad	292.03% AD (separate rate) / 41.14% CVD (all others)
Suzhou Eagle	Eagle EV Hahm EV Sunday Carts	292.03% AD (separate rate) / 41.14% CVD (all others)
Tomberlin	Tomberlin	N/A for PRC orders†
Heibe (Hebei Machinery Import & Export)	Generic – available on Alibaba	478.09% AD (China-wide) / 691.58% CVD (AFA)
Shandong Odes	Aodes	478.09% AD (China-wide) / 691.58% CVD (AFA)

Beyond the short run difficulties presented by the imposed penalties, there are positive indicators for growth.

Positive growth opportunities

There are at least five factors at work that indicate a strong positive growth trajectory going forward:

- 1) Upgrades—Upgrades keep coming further equipping vehicles with more attractive features, both in operating benefits and automotive-type accessories. Thus, the value per dollar keeps climbing and will offset needed price increases over the long term.
- 2) Strong grass roots growth in street legal usage—street legal use of golf car-type vehicles continues to grow and spread across the country. A recent compilation of street legal-friendly municipalities was notable in that the sample numbering over 200 extended over virtually all weather zones of the country. This also suggests that an upgrade of a hard shell enclosure would do much to boost this trend.
- 3) Evolution of the SDD market—There is growing evidence that GCT vehicles are a viable alternative to conventional vehicles in tasks and errands involving short distance drives. A substantial majority of vehicle movement, in terms of number of drive outs and in terms of total mileage, is accounted for by thrips of five miles or less—this according to DOT statistics. Thus, the short distance driving (SDD) market is ready made for upgraded and accessorized LSVs
- 4) Aggressive promotion in the last mile delivery segment—While there is grass roots growth in street legal use of GCTs, so far, little has been done to exploit the opportunities in last mile delivery. Here the European market has progressed much ahead of U.S. development. It is highly likely that the LMD segment will substantial growth on the U.S. side, as well. It will take, however,

implementation of aggressive marketing strategies at the corporate level to make this happen.

5) Advent of an effective trade association to promote and enhance the interests of dealers, suppliers, and manufacturers—Introduced at the 2025 PGA Show last January, the Low Speed Vehicle Dealer Association has been an immediate success, enjoying growth in both dealer membership and sponsors. Given the increase in street legal golfcar-type vehicles, and the anticipated growth in this segment, the need for an overarching trade organization, promoting the interests of the industry as whole, is paramount. The LSVDA is meeting this need—from the Association's mission statement:

We aim to promote the professional use and personal enjoyment of low speed vehicles as a sustainable, efficient, and enjoyable mode of transportation, and to lead the way in the development and adoption of innovative technologies and best practices within the low speed vehicle industry.

Learn more bout the LSVDA at www.LSVDA. com.

Opportunities overshadow near term uncertainties

In summarizing the state of the industry at this juncture, and for strategic planning purposes, it can be said that the opportunities for growth and expansion clearly outweigh near term uncertainties.

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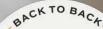
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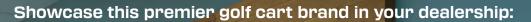
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"Lightspeed represents a high class of operational technology for our industry," said Mike Alexander, Executive Director of LSVDA. "With massive consumer and commercial market growth, our dealers are scaling faster than ever, and they need systems built for accuracy, automation, and real profitability. This partnership gives LSVDA members access to a platform that has powered top dealerships for decades. Lightspeed helps owners eliminate noise, run tighter operations, and deliver a cleaner customer experience; exactly what this next phase of industry growth demands."

"LSV and golf-car dealers are entering a defining moment of opportunity. Consumer demand, product innovation, and expanding use cases all require systems that can keep pace," said Taylor Allis, Chief Product Officer at Lightspeed. "We're excited to join LSVDA as a Platinum Level Sponsor and help dealers modernize processes, strengthen margins, and build long-term customer relationships. We look forward to partnering across the entire LSVDA community." Lightspeed's proven tools now align with LSVDA's mission to elevate dealer capabilities, strengthen operational excellence, and drive sustainable industry-wide growth.

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About LSVDA

About the Low Speed Vehicle Dealer Association (LSVDA) The Low Speed Vehicle Dealer Association (LSVDA) is the national voice of dealers and suppliers in the LSV and personal transport industry. LSVDA provides education, advocacy, research, and business-building tools to help members grow profitably and safely within a rapidly evolving market. Its Founding Sponsors represent leaders committed to shaping a thriving and responsible future for on-road low-speed mobility. For more information, visit www.lsvda.com

BEST PRACTICES: Winter is a Strategic Season for Low Speed Vehicle (LSV) Dealerships

As winter fades, proactive service engagement becomes crucial. This period offers an opportunity to turn downtime into profit by offering comprehensive service packages. These include battery diagnostics, tire evaluations, and system health checks, offering tangible value and building customer trust.

Service managers should utilize January & February to optimize operations. By analyzing customer data, dealerships can create targeted outreach to fill service bays and generate revenue. Offering "Beat the Rush" checkups ensures vehicles are ready for spring, enhancing customer satisfaction and loyalty.

Internally, January & February are perfect for technician cross-training, process refinement, and workspace organization. These improvements can optimize labor margins and reduce overhead, setting the stage for a successful year.

A structured approach to customer outreach is essential. By collecting data, segmenting customers, and personalizing communication, dealerships can

increase engagement and bookings. Highlighting the benefits of winter service through tailored emails and calls ensures customer responsiveness.

Financially, this strategy reduces seasonal gaps and builds a foundation of customer loyalty. Emphasizing proactive winter assessments prevents future vehicle issues and positions dealerships as experts.

In conclusion, January & February are not months to wait out. It is an opportunity to engineer success, turning potential downtime into a competitive advantage. By leveraging strategic service and internal improvements, dealerships can enhance performance and prepare for exceptional growth as winter transitions to spring.

By George Keen, Founding Education Member (LSVDA), Wise Wolf Consulting.

MARKET GROWTH When Lifestyle Becomes Essential: The New Drivers of LSV Market Growth

The most important change in our industry is not technology, it is lifestyle. After being in this business since 2001, I have witnessed plenty of cycles, but nothing compares to the shift happening right now in how consumers see and use golf cars and LSVs.

What was once a fun accessory is now viewed as a legitimate, practical, and often essential vehicle for everyday life. Families are not just buying these vehicles; they are building their routines around them. And that shift is fundamentally reshaping the market.



You can see it in any modern community. Every morning, moms line up in golf cars to drop off kids and skip the car line entirely. Young drivers are learning responsibility and awareness in a safer, slower-speed platform. Retirees are using their carts more than their cars, and most telling, even die-hard "Motorheads" are choosing the golf car or LSV over a traditional vehicle because it simply fits their lifestyle better. When a respected industry partner who used to collect sports cars and drag bikes is now thinking about living with "one car, one cart," that is not a trend: it is a lifestyle shift.

What makes this moment so exciting as we look toward 2026 is that the shift is rooted in authentic use case, not hype. Before the pandemic, people bought golf cars for novelty or escape. Today, they buy them for utility, comfort, community connection, and cost-effective mobility. That difference matters. Niche demand is unpredictable. Lifestyle demand

is stable and scalable.

On top of that, aftermarket support has never been stronger. The lithium repower market is exploding because customers want reliability and longevity from vehicles they now depend on. Dealers who show up as educators, not just sellers, are winning big by growing market share, deepening customer trust, and solidifying their role as a true partner.

In 2026, we're pivoting our marketing at Jeffrey Allen to focus even more on being subject-matter experts: guiding customers to the right vehicle

choice, advising them on planning service around the season, understanding lithium battery technology, and maximize the value of what has now become a household asset.

I recognize that experienced industry veterans are careful, having lived through previous cycles of rapid growth and sharp downturns., but today feels different. Consumer and commercial demand remain incredibly strong, product usage is expanding, and the mindset shift is accelerating, not fading.

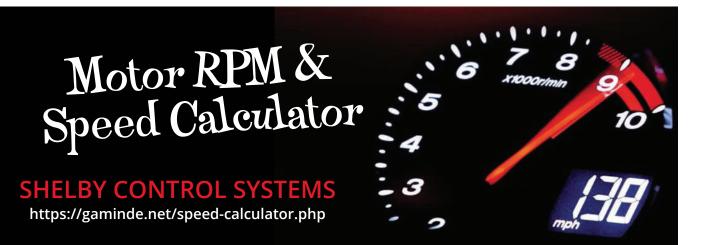
If you are a dealer planning for 2026, invest in customer confidence, education, and long-term support. This is no longer a toy market. Consumers have embraced these vehicles as part of how they live and that is a foundation for sustained growth, not a temporary spike.

We are not entering a cycle; we are entering a new era. Dealers who lean into this lifestyle-driven demand will grow faster, serve better, and lead the market. The road ahead is certain; it is wide open.



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LSV/Golf Cart Community News

This section highlights golf cart news and stories from communities across the country. We feature local events, parades, shows, and the creative ways people use and celebrate their carts. From neighborhood updates to standout custom builds, it's a showcase of golf cart culture in action. Stay connected with the latest happenings and see how golf carts bring communities together.

Volunteers Needed – Especially Cart Drivers – at Piedmont Fayette

Piedmont Fayette Hospital will begin construction of a new patient tower in early 2026 and will need additional volunteers to help patients and visitors navigate the campus. And in a county full of seasoned golf-cart drivers — including Peachtree City's 120-plus miles of golf cart trails — the call for more courtesy cart drivers may feel especially familiar to local residents. These volunteers help people reach the hospital entrances or return to their cars, offering safe and friendly transportation across campus.

"Our primary concern is safety," said Steve Porter, CEO of Pied-

mont Fayette. "We want to make sure that people reach their destinations safely and that they have had a positive experience with a friendly and knowledgeable volunteer."

The Piedmont Fayette Auxiliary was founded in 1997 and supports patients, families, staff and the community. Members assist the hospital in numerous service areas including the information desks, surgical services, the emergency department, and the gift shop, as well as the courtesy carts.

"Our auxiliary members play a significant role in caring for our patients, visitors and guests, as well as assisting the staff members, nurses and physicians at the hospital," said Charlang Ferguson, auxiliary services specialist.

Currently, volunteers are needed in nearly every department, and shifts are available every day of the week.

"Our purpose at Piedmont is to make a positive difference in every life we touch," said Porter. "The dedication of our excellent auxiliary members, and the work they do every day, helps make achieving that purpose possible."

Applicants to join the auxiliary must be 18 or over with a genuine interest in giving back to the community.

If you are interested in joining the Piedmont Fayette Auxiliary, call 770-719-7098 or visit piedmont.org/volunteers for more information.

SOURCE

Final settlement reached in SC crash that killed bride on her wedding day

Jamie Komoroski crashed a vehicle into a golf cart, killing Samatha Miller, who'd gotten married only hours before.

CHARLESTON COUNTY, S.C. — A final settlement has been approved in wrongful death lawsuit

filed over a South Carolina crash that killed a bride on her wedding night.

Court documents in Charleston County show that Jamie Komoroski and the legal team for Aric Hutchinson reached a deal to end a long-standing civil suit over the death of 34-year-old Samantha Miller, who died in 2023. Hutchinson was Miller's husband and is the representative for her remaining estate.

The deal authorizes Drive New Jersey Insurance Company, which covered Komoroski, to pay out \$160,000 to Miller's estate. When attorney fees and other costs are subtracted out, Hutchinson will receive \$104,500. By entering into this arrangement, all claims are now settled between Komoroski and Hutchinson.

Back on April 28, 2023, a golf cart Miller was riding in was struck by a rental car driven by Komoroski near Folly Beach. Police said Komoroski drank at several bars that day and was driving 65 mph on a narrow road with a speed limit of 25 mph when the collision took place. Mitchell and Hutchinson had just left their wedding reception and were driving in the golf cart, which was thrown 100 yards by the force of the collision.

Mitchell died from her injuries and Hutchinson suffered a brain injury and broken bones.

In December of 2024, Komoroski pleaded guilty to counts of reckless homicide, felony DUI resulting in death, and two counts of felony DUI causing great bodily injury. She was sentenced to 25 years in prison, which was the maximum penalty.

Hutchinson had reached a separate settlement of \$863,000 in 2024 with three bars in Folly Beach, a car rental company, and an auto insurance company in connection with the death.

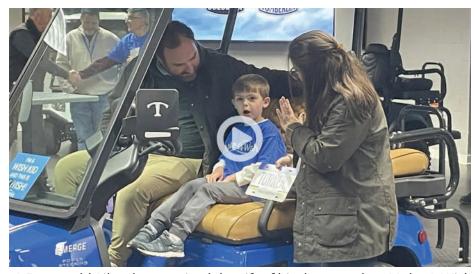
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Make-A-Wish grants golf cart to 5-year-old Aiken boy

AIKEN, S.C. (WRDW/WAGT) - A 5-year-old Aiken boy received the gift of his dreams Friday when Make-A-Wish South Carolina granted his wish for a golf cart.

Turner's mother said golf carts hold special meaning for their family.

"We had a golf cart for a while that was a hand-me-down from several family members, and its time had come. It was definitely a missing piece of our family, even though it is a vehicle, it is so much of who Turner is ... to be outside with the wind in his hair,



A 5-year-old Aiken boy received the gift of his dreams when Make-A-Wish South Carolina granted his wish for a golf cart.

rain or shine, putting a rain cover over and still driving through the neighborhood, that's who Turner is," said Harleigh Smith.

Turner is diagnosed with a nervous system disorder and experiences seizures.

Make-A-Wish South Carolina has granted more than 4,700 wishes to kids and their families across the state.

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North Augusta council passes golf cart ordinance expansion

NORTH AUGUSTA, S.C. (WRDW/ WAGT) - The North Augusta City Council has passed the second and final reading of a golf cart ordinance that would expand the time residents

could drive golf carts in the city.

In May, South Carolina passed a bill to allow cities to create their own ordinances governing golf cart usage.

North Augusta's ordinance would allow golf carts to operate with proper safety equipment. Some changes council members wanted, including stricter seat belt requirements, could not be amended. The city attorney said the change would be outside the city's power.

Violators of safety laws could face fines or up to 30 days in jail.

Notorious golf cart thief in The Villages nabbed with narcotics with lady friend

A notorious golf cart thief in The Villages and his lady friend were arrested after a traffic stop.

An officer observed 53-year-old Jerry Michael Lay and 39-year-old Stephanie Shannon Kilby traveling north on U.S. Hwy. 27/441 in the far right lane around 9:35 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, according to an arrest report from the Fruitland Park Police Department. A check of the vehicle's registration revealed the license plate expired on Nov. 5.

As the officer learned this, the vehicle drifted into the bicycle lane and stayed there for a short time. He drove closer and saw Kilby, the passenger, was not wearing a seatbelt. He subsequently stopped the pair at South Grays Airport Road and Skycrest Boulevard, the report said.

Lay, who lives in the San Leandro Villas, then told the officer that he had a suspended driver's license which indeed had seven suspensions for unpaid financial obligations, a controlled substance charge and a criminal failure to pay. He also had two prior guilty convictions for driving with a suspended license, the report said.

While walking back to his patrol vehicle, the officer noticed the validation sticker on the license plate had a different expiration date. Dispatch confirmed it had been reported stolen out of Marion County, the report said.

With the arrival of another officer, both occupants were asked to step out of the vehicle. Kilby got up and left a 9mm round in the front passenger seat, which she should not have had due to being a convicted felon as of Feb. 24, 2024, the report said.

The arrival of a K-9 unit followed this discovery, and a positive alert to the odor of narcotics led to a search of the vehicle. Officers found nothing in the vehicle, prompting them to ask Kilby if she had anything on her person. She stated there was something in her pants but would not elaborate, the report said.

She then pulled out a baggie containing multiple smaller baggies. These included three meth-

adone pills, 2.6 grams of methamphetamine and 1.4 grams of heroin, the report said.

At the conclusion of the stop, Lay was arrested on charges of driving while license suspended (third or subsequent offense) and transported to Lake County Jail with bond set at \$2,500.

Kilby was charged with possession of ammo by convicted felon, methamphetamine, heroin, methadone and drug paraphernalia. She was taken to jail and released after posting \$13,500 bond.

The pair have both been arrested numerous times in the past. Lay is a notorious golf cart thief who has been caught numerous times, including in Dec. 2023, Oct. 2023, Sept 2023 and June 2023. He was also arrested earlier this year in May on a drug charge.

As for Kilby, she was arrested in June 2023 with drugs and metallic knuckles, in April 2023 during a fraudulent return at Home Depot, and in May 2022 after leaving a drug house in Fruitland Park.

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Finance committee backs five-year lease for 74 DW Field golf carts

BROCKTON, MA — Brockton's Finance Committee on Dec. 15 recommended that the City Council accept a five-year lease agreement with New England Golf Cars for 74 golf carts at DW Field Golf Course.

with payments beginning May 2026 and running through October 2030.

Carpenter and Assistant Superintendent Kurt Calderwood said the current fleet of 76 carts ranges from model years 2012 to 2020, with many older than seven years; they proposed selling about 70 existing carts through an RFP (trade-ins are not allowed under the state

contract). The superintendent estimated conservative resale proceeds of roughly \$100,000 for the existing fleet. Staff told councilors purchasing a new fleet outright would cost approximately \$500,000, while the lease total over five years is roughly \$390,000, making leasing a cost-saving option in staff analysis.

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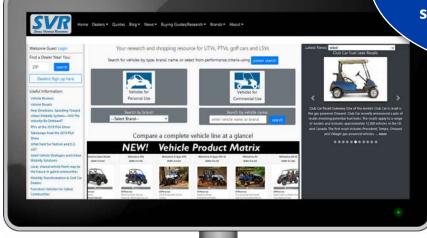
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CARIBBEAN

Inside the Caribbean's Booming Golf Cart Industry — and How One Company Is Leading the Charge

The golf cart business in the Caribbean has undergone a quiet transformation over the past decade, evolving from a niche product for golfers into a core transportation and operations tool for resorts, residential communities, and even entire islands. Once dominated by gas-powered and lead-acid battery models, the market is now shifting decisively toward fully electric carts powered by advanced lithium technology — a change driven by lower maintenance demands, faster charging times, and significant long-term cost savings.

This evolution has been shaped by a combination of practical needs and shifting expectations from both operators and guests. In destinations where logistics can be challenging and support networks are spread across islands, the reliability of premium, U.S.-built carts and the ability to deliver parts quickly have become as important as performance and design. Today, in many Caribbean communities — from Ambergris Caye in Belize to Harbour Island in the Bahamas golf carts are no longer an amenity; they're the default mode of transport and an integral part of daily life. One company has been leading the charge: Tropicars, which has been at the forefront of the region's golf car boom. Can you give us an overview of the evolution of

The golf cart industry in the Caribbean has evolved dramatically over the past decade and

today's Golf Cart industry?

it's not just about golf anymore.

One of the biggest shifts we've seen is the move away from gas-powered and lead-acid battery carts to fully electric models using advanced lithium technology. Resorts and golf courses across the region are realizing that the long-term cost savings are too big to ignore. With lithium, there's no regular battery maintenance, no messy watering, and no engine servicing like with gas. Plus, many clients are seeing their electricity bills drop by nearly 50% after switching from lead-acid to lithium that adds up fast when you're running a large fleet.

At Tropicars, we've leaned into this shift by representing brands like EZGO, which uses premium Samsung SDI lithium battery systems backed by an 8-year battery warranty — the best in the business. This kind of reliability and low-maintenance design is exactly what our Caribbean clients need, especially on remote islands where support isn't always around the corner.

The result? Carts have gone from being a luxury to being an essential part of how resorts operate and how guests experience the Caribbean.

Can you tell us a little about Tropicars and who are your typical clients?

We have been the Caribbean's go-to distributor for premium golf and utility vehicles for the past

15 years. We're the exclusive regional distributor for EZGO, CUSHMAN, and POLARIS brands known for their reliability, innovation, and performance in tough environments.

What sets us apart is the legacy we're built on. Tropicars is part of a larger aviation-focused group that includes Africair and TAD, companies that have been operating for over 57 years as distributors for Cessna, Beechcraft, and Bell Helicopters in both Africa and the Caribbean. That aviation DNA brings a whole new level of professionalism, logistics expertise, and after-sales support to everything we do.

Our core business is centered around golf courses and hotel resorts. We proudly serve world-renowned names like Sandals and Four Seasons, and we supply the majority of the region's top golf courses. In Jamaica alone, we provide vehicles to every golf course on the island, except for one.

Where are the best carts made? How do you transport carts to the Caribbean?

The best carts in the world are made right here in the USA and that matters, especially for the Caribbean. It's not just about build quality, which is unmatched, but about after-sales support, time zone alignment, and reliable access to parts.

We've seen plenty of resorts and properties try to cut corners with Chinese-manufactured carts to save upfront, only to realize later that it costs them more in the long run. When something breaks, it's a hassle parts can take a month to arrive if available, and importing small orders from overseas quickly becomes expensive. Not to mention, you're often left without any real support.

By working with U.S. brands like EZGO, we make life easier for Caribbean resorts. All of our parts are stocked in Miami, and when you need something, it's on-island in about a week not a month. That speed means our clients don't have to sit on large inventories of spare parts. We carry that weight for them.

As for shipping, every order leaves from Miami, and we work with a wide network of freight forwarders who specialize in exports to the Caribbean. Most of our clients already have preferred freight partners, but when needed, we're happy to recommend the best options for the destination and cargo type.

How important are carts to the Caribbean? Which islands?

Golf carts are absolutely vital across the Caribbean both for business and personal life. Resorts and golf courses may be the most obvious users, but the role of golf cars extends far beyond that. In many upscale residential communities and private villas especially those built within resort footprints homeowners rely on carts daily for errands, family outings, and even shuttle services across large properties. It makes sense. On sprawling resort grounds or gated residential enclaves, carts are easier, cleaner, and more fun than using a full-size car for short trips.

Across islands like Ambergris Caye in Belize, golf carts are the de facto mode of transport. In San Pedro town, tourists and residents move almost exclusively via carts, because cars aren't permitted outside government, taxi, or delivery use. On Harbour Island in the Bahamas, golf cars are used by locals and visitors alike they've even become part of the island's charm and lifestyle.

In Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico (including communities like Casa de Campo and Palmas del Mar), and Grand Turk, carts are an integral part of daily operations at resorts. They shuttle guests, deliver supplies, and support maintenance and housekeeping teams often weaving through beaches, villas, golf courses, and marinas seamlessly.

For homeowners living in and around these resorts, owning a cart is almost a necessity. These communities are often designed with narrow streets and pedestrian-friendly layouts, making golf carts more convenient and eco-friendly than conventional vehicle.

In short, golf carts in the Caribbean are not a luxury they're a core part of the lifestyle and the

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day-to-day functioning of resorts and residential communities alike.

How do you service carts in the Caribbean?

Service and support are at the core of what we offer, especially in a region where downtime can mean lost revenue for resorts and golf courses. That's why we invest heavily in building a strong support network across the Caribbean.

Twice a year, we host EZGO Service Training Schools on different islands, where we fly in certified EZGO engineers to lead an intensive threeday program. These classes are completely free for our customers, and techs who complete the training earn the prestigious Gold Certified Technician status. We invite technicians from resorts and service companies across the region so they can get hands-on training and be equipped to support fleets locally.

We also have on-island service representation in Jamaica and Curaçao, with more locations being added. In islands where we don't yet have permanent staff, we work with a trusted network of trained technicians who have been through our certification program and are ready to step in when needed.

All parts are stocked in our Miami facility, giving us the ability to ship quickly to anywhere in the Caribbean. In urgent cases, we can get parts to an island within a few days, minimizing downtime.

In addition, we offer remote troubleshooting, live WhatsApp service group chats, and full warranty processing support, so help is never more than a message away. Whether it's in-person or remote, we make sure our customers always have someone to turn to when they need assistance.

Is there a big market for 2nd hand carts?

The second-hand cart market in the Caribbean isn't as active today as it was during the COVID period, when long lead times for new vehicles created a spike in demand. That said, there's still a niche for certified pre-owned options especially for golf courses or smaller resorts looking for more budget-friendly solutions without compromising on quality or support.

At Tropicars, we occasionally buy back resort fleets, bring them back to our Miami facility, and refurbish them for resale. We also offer factory-certified pre-owned carts that come directly from the manufacturer, many of which still include limited warranties for added peace of mind.

While the majority of our clients still prefer to purchase new carts to take full advantage of the manufacturer warranties and the latest technology, we understand that some properties need flexibility. That's why we offer a range of options to fit different budgets without sacrificing reliability or support.

Obviously big resorts and golf courses use carts but how else are they used?

Carts are used in a lot more ways than just shuttling golfers or resort guests. Across the Caribbean, they've become a go-to solution for maintenance teams, housekeeping, landscaping crews, security patrols, and marina operations. Their compact size, quiet operation, and versatility make them ideal for navigating large properties without disturbing guests or damaging landscaped areas.

In many private communities, especially those built within or around resorts, carts have also become a favorite for personal transportation. Families use them to drop kids off at the pool, run errands, or head to the beach. In places

where full-size vehicles are overkill or simply not allowed — carts have become part of the every-day lifestyle.

We're also seeing an increase in creative uses. Event venues use them for vendor logistics, airports for internal transport, and construction sites for crew movement. The applications are growing every year, especially as carts become more customizable with accessories like cargo boxes, lighting, and enclosures.

Are there islands where no cars are allowed and they only use carts?

Yes, several destinations in the Caribbean are either officially car-free or have naturally adopted golf carts as the primary form of transportation.

One standout is Ambergris Caye in Belize, specifically San Pedro. The narrow roads and limited parking make golf cars the main mode of transport for locals and visitors. Nearby Caye Caulker is even more restrictive cars aren't allowed at all, and the island relies entirely on golf carts and bicycles.

In the Bahamas, Harbour Island is famously cart-friendly, with almost everyone using golf cars to get around. Green Turtle Cay is another example where, although cars are technically allowed, golf carts dominate daily movement.

Private islands like Chub Cay also favor carts due to their small size, limited infrastructure, and resort-style living. Historically, even resorts like Frenchman's Cove in Jamaica used to offer guests electric carts instead of cars, enhancing the sense of luxury and exclusivity.

How has technology enhanced the experience of owning a cart?

Technology has completely transformed the golf cart experience, especially in the Caribbean where efficiency and reliability are key.

The biggest game changer has been the shift to lithium battery systems. They're lighter, more efficient, charge faster, and require virtually zero maintenance. Golf Cars now go farther on a sin-

gle charge and perform better on hills and longer routes all without the constant upkeep that came with lead-acid batteries. Plus, with brands like EZGO using Samsung SDI lithium batteries, you get the best of the best with warranties up to eight years.

We've also seen advancements in smart chargers and regenerative braking, which help preserve battery life and reduce energy costs for resorts and property owners.

On the accessory side, carts today can be outfitted with custom lighting, built-in GPS, coolers, touchscreen displays, and even solar charging options. This makes them more than just a ride they become a fully functional tool or luxury amenity depending on the need.

What do you see for the future of carts in the Caribbean and industry-wide?

The future of golf cars in the Caribbean is all-electric, smarter, and more essential than ever.

Resorts and communities are moving away from gas and lead-acid models in favor of lithium-powered electric cars. They're more efficient, easier to maintain, and better for the environment a win-win for both operations and guest experience.

We're also seeing golf cars evolve into lifestyle vehicles. With custom designs, smart features, and branding options, they're becoming an extension of a resort's image or a homeowner's personality.

Technology like GPS tracking, remote diagnostics, and fleet management tools will continue to grow, helping resorts improve service and reduce downtime. And with faster parts delivery and better regional support, the Caribbean is leading the way in modern golf car adoption.

As tourism grows, golf cars will remain a key part of daily life not just for convenience, but as a strategic asset.

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Homeowners insurance may provide some coverage for your golf cart, but it often has limitations and can have a more costly deductible. A dedicated golf cart insurance policy ensures that you're adequately covered specific to your needs.

Family and friends

Policies can provide off-premises and permissive use, allowing you to confidently have friends and family drive your golf cart occasionally. You also have the option to add minor operators as drivers, so you can rest easy knowing that you have the right protection if something goes wrong.

Personalized protection

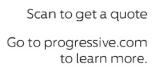
Your golf cart usage is unique to you. That's why specialized insurance is tailored to meet your specific needs, ensuring you can choose coverage options like accessory and custom parts/equipment coverage to provide protection if you've made enhancements or upgrades to your golf cart.

Legal compliance

Some areas mandate insurance coverage for golf carts. Stay on the right side of the law and avoid potential fines or penalties by securing the necessary insurance for your ride.

Investing in golf cart insurance is a smart decision that goes beyond mere protection; it's about enjoying your rides worry-free. Don't let unexpected events derail your joyrides—secure your golf cart insurance and roll into every adventure with confidence!







Dealer Profile Of The Month

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Atlanta's Coolest Carts: Two Shops, One Mission—Make Your Ride Impossible to Ignore

If you've ever been minding your business on an Atlanta sidewalk when a golf cart rolls by looking like it's headed to a VIP section you didn't know existed, there's a good chance it came from Golf Carts Atlanta or Flamingo Custom Carts. These shops are solving a very specific local problem: the moment you realize your basic cart, perfectly fine, perfectly functional, now looks like it's wearing mall-walker sneakers next to someone else's neon-lit, subwoofer-thumping masterpiece. Suddenly, you want more than a way to get around. You want a moment. Thankfully, Atlanta has two places that specialize in turning "just a cart" into a full-blown personality.

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Golf Carts Atlanta brings the brains, the tools, and the convenience with their onsite service and wide range of custom builds. They're the team businesses and everyday cart lovers call when they need high-quality parts, reliable repairs, or full custom creations decked out with pre-

mium wheels, audio upgrades, LED lighting, lithium battery conversions, and accessories

that make every ride feel sleek, capable, and totally you. Flamingo Custom Carts, meanwhile, brings the flair: bold designs, standout

lighting, wheel and lift upgrades, underglow that keeps the party going after sunset, and a level of craftsmanship that feels more like artistry than mechanics. Whether the goal is utility, comfort, head-turning style, or all three at once, Flamingo specializes in transforming carts into rolling expressions of personality. Their motto could honestly be "Why fit in?" because none of their builds ever do.

Together, their impact on Atlanta's golf cart scene is exactly why Golf Carts Atlanta and Flamingo Custom Carts earned their 2025 Best of Georgia Award, following their standout win in 2024 as well. The win doesn't feel like a surprise; it feels inevitable. Both shops deliver standout service, meticulous attention to detail, and builds that spark pure joy. Whether you want a cart that works harder, rides smoother, glows brighter, or simply feels more "you," these two Atlanta powerhouses are proving that ordinary rides are optional, and unforgettable ones are absolutely within reach.

ABOUT

Golf Carts Atlanta

We are your trusted partner for premium golf cart service, repairs, and custom solutions. With a focus on quality, reliability, and customer satisfaction, we provide tailored solutions to meet your unique needs and ensure your carts are always performing at their best.

At Golf Carts Atlanta, we are passionate about delivering top-tier service, premium parts, and custom golf cart solutions to meet the diverse needs of our clients. As a trusted provider in the Atlanta area, we work closely with businesses and individuals to ensure their golf carts are performing at their best, whether it's through routine maintenance, expert repairs, or outfitting them with high-quality parts and accessories. Our skilled team takes pride in offering efficient and reliable service, getting your carts back on the road or course in no time.

Beyond repairs and parts, we specialize in custom golf carts that reflect your unique style and requirements. Whether you're looking for specific wheels, lights, or personalized features, we offer a range of customization options that combine both functionality and design. Our goal is to create carts that not only look great but also perform seamlessly, enhancing your experience every time you use them.

At the heart of our mission is a dedication to customer satisfaction and quality workmanship. We believe in building lasting relationships with our clients through trust, transparency, and delivering value in everything we do. From the moment you walk through our



doors to the completion of your service, we're here to ensure you receive the best possible care for all your golf cart needs.

Flamingo Custom Carts

At Flamingo Custom Carts, located in the heart of Atlanta, we are passionate about transforming ordinary golf carts into extraordinary, personalized rides. Specializing in customizations, we offer a wide range of services that include outfitting golf carts with premium wheels, eye-catching lights, and a variety of unique accessories tailored to your preferences.

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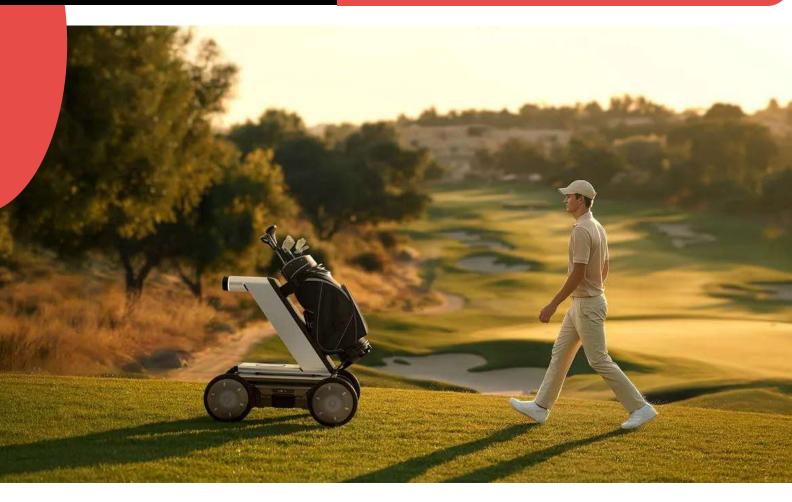
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LSV/Golf Cart Meets Technology

This section explores the latest technological advancements shaping the golf cart industry. From smart connectivity and enhanced performance systems to innovative safety and energy solutions, we cover it all. Learn how new technology is transforming the way golf carts are built, driven, and maintained. Stay ahead of the curve with insights into the future of golf cart innovation.



HYUNDAI

Hyundai's charming autonomous robot can be everything from a golf trolley to an e-scooter – and it's going on sale soon

No, this isn't the star of Disney's latest animated movie – Hyundai has announced a fully-autonomous robotic platform that can be engineered for pretty much any use case, and it could be the answer to a lot of mobility problems.

The Mobile Eccentric Droid – or MobED for short – features a unique Eccentric Control Mechanism that allows all four wheels to swivel and articulate, blurring the boundaries of wheels and legs. It can even cock a wheel and give a little wave, like a well-trained dog.

Far from a gimmick, Hyundai says the mechanism stabilizes the platform by dynamically adjusting the posture, so it can effectively traverse small bumps and even clamber up a step.

What you place upon this platform is totally up to you, as MobED is designed to be able to carry out a number of tasks.

Fit it with a robotic arm and it can cruise around a warehouse, picking and packing products autonomously.

Alternatively, it could be used to autonomously deliver packages, act as a golf trolley to ferry clubs around a course. transform into an automated dolly so influencers can capture content hands-free

and even sport a touchscreen so it becomes a fully-fledged helper bot.

Hyundai says the platform will be fashioned from automotive-grade materials and built on a production line so it can be scaled. The company has also created the control interface so it can be driven like a drone, as well as producing software so users can automate operations.

The company is serious about the future of its rolling droid, stating that it will sell a MobED Pro model, complete with sensors and Lidar for autonomous use, as well as a Basic version that is designed to act as a "foundation for research and development".

The future is robot

There's currently no word on pricing, or whether regular punters will be able to snap up a MobED to use as a rad electric scooter, but the company is serious about the future of robotics.



I've personally visited CRADLE in Los Angeles — Hyundai's Center for Robotic-Augmented Design in Living Experiences — and witnessed, first hand, its work on "walking cars", which it believes could be the rescue vehicles of the future.

Dubbed Elevate, this concept sees a chassis mounted to four robotic legs, each with a traditional wheel fixed to the end. These concepts can traverse tricky terrain, but also adapt to meet the needs of users, climbing up to the front door of a wheelchair user.

While MobED isn't exactly a walking car, the idea isn't too far off, delivering a stable platform that can effortlessly and autonomously navigate challenging terrain, without falling over like the myriad humanoid bots doing the rounds on YouTube.

What is placed atop MobED is anyone's guess, but I'd bet good money these get put to use in factories and warehouses very soon. I'm holding out for the autonomous eScooter version, so I can pack the bicycle away for good.

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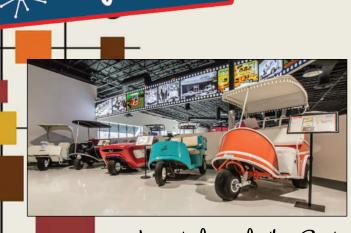


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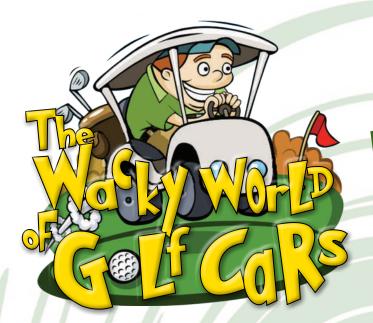
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Clever Tips for Recovering your Stolen Golf Car

A few years ago, my childrens' golf car was stolen right out of my back yard. I have a 6 foot chain link fence around my yard and I always felt that would be enough protection from thieves. I live in a friendly neighborhood across from an elementary school out in the country. In hindsight, I should have kept my gate locked or used some type of theft prevention or recovery tool. The golf car was lifted and had upgraded wheels and tires, a powerful stereo system and a custom paint job (courtesy of my two children.) When they ran out back to take the golf car to their favorite fishing spot, they were devastated that it was gone.

I was in disbelief that someone would steal our golf car from our own yard in the middle of the night while we slept, unsuspecting, only 50 yards away. I was heartbroken for my children and I started doing some research. I was shocked to find that tens of thousands of golf cars are stolen every year. Apparently, this is a "thing." There are even know "golf car theft rings" like the one in central Florida that was dismantled in May, 2017. A man who was apprehended admitted that he worked as part of a golf car theft ring that effectively stole more than 30 golf cars each month. A similar report in Bristol, Connecticut revealed that a golf car ring had stolen 11 golf cars before being shut down by police. In June, 2017, Florida police raided a home for drugs and discovered a golf car chop shop. And this was in a RETIREMENT community!

Golf car owners are investing more time and money into their golf cars than ever before. Golf car only communities are thriving across the country and golf cars are considered to be an acceptable form of transportation. Ranging from \$1000 to \$15,000, golf cars are a big investment for anyone. So, what should you do when your golf car is stolen?

1. File a Police Report

This should always be the first step and the more quickly you alert the local law enforcement, the better chance you have for recovering your golf car. My golf car was never recovered and there is a good chance that yours will not be either, but having a police report helps. If you have a theft recovery tracking device, the monitoring company will need the police report. If your golf car is covered by insurance, the insurance company will require the police report.

- 2. Invest in a Recovery Tracking Device Improved technology and a growing need has allowed for new devices to emerge on the market that guarantee theft recovery. My favorite and the one I stand behind is iTrax. New to the golf car industry, iTrax is a small, magnetic device that attaches to your golf car inconspicuously. It uses GPS and cellular tracking technology to pinpoint the location of the golf car in real time. iTrax guarantees that if law enforcement do not recover your golf car within 30 days, they will write you a check for \$995. Placing an iTrax on your golf car is a no-brainer. I suggest you purchase one today.
- 3. Invest in Theft Prevention Whether or not you invest in a recovery tracking device, take some simple theft prevention precautions:
 - Install a pedal lock system. While hieves can still get past this method, it introduces a small barrier.

- Use a golf car security system. While this is more of a noise maker than anything, it could scare off a thief.
- Store your golf car in a garage. Golf cars are stolen from garages, but when they are out of sight, chances are there will not be a crime of opportunity.
- 4. Make Your Golf Car Unique Keep a record of your golf car's Serial number, make/model and year. It is also helpful to place unique markings in hidden places on your golf car. Should your golf car get stolen, it will be easy to prove that it is yours, if recovered.

5. Use Craigslist and Social Media
If you discover that your golf car has been stolen,
head to your computer. Check Craigslist and Facebook marketplaces to see if someone is trying to
sell your golf car. Be sure to check listings outside of
your immediate area. Many times, thieves will take
the golf car to the next county to sell it.

Of course, it is my sincere hope that your golf car is never stolen, but if it is, refer back to this article for some clever recovery tips.



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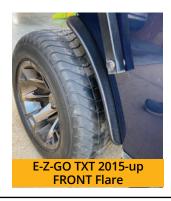
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This section covers everything you need to know about golf cart batteries — from traditional lead-acid to cutting-edge lithium technology. We explore performance, maintenance, safety, and emerging innovations shaping the industry. Whether you're a dealer, technician, or golf cart owner, you'll find insights to keep your carts running at peak power.

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Choosing the right golf cart battery is more than just a quick purchase, it's an investment that directly affects your cart's power, performance, and long-term reliability. Whether you use your cart for golfing, resort transportation, or everyday mobility, understanding how batteries work and what makes one better than another can save you time, money, and frustration.

This guide breaks down everything you need to know: from different types of golf cart batteries and lifespan to maintenance, voltage, cost, and safety features, including how modern lithium batteries like Vatrer Battery deliver dependable performance for years.

Golf Cart Batteries Buying Guide: How to Choose? Understanding How Golf Cart Batteries Work

Golf carts rely on deep-cycle batteries, designed to deliver consistent power over long periods, unlike car batteries, which provide short bursts to start engines.

Here's how it works:

- Chemical energy inside the battery is converted into electrical energy that powers the motor and accessories.
- When charging, the flow of electricity reverses, replenishing the chemical energy.
- The battery voltage (like 36V or 48V) defines your system's power, while amp-hour capacity (Ah) determines how far your cart can travel per charge.

Specification	Meaning	Typical Range
Voltage (V)	Total system output (power)	36V / 48V systems
Ampere Hour (Ah)	Runtime or capacity	75Ah – 150Ah
Cycle Life	Number of charge/discharge cycles before replacement	300 – 5000 cycles
Lithium (LiFePO4)	High	4,000-6,000+

Tips: Before testing a golf cart battery, check the voltage and amphour capacity listed in your user manual or on the battery label. Matching these numbers ensures compatibility and prevents performance drops.

Different Types of Golf Cart Batteries

Understanding the different types of golf cart batteries helps you decide which one suits your driving habits, budget, and maintenance preferences.

Among these, LiFePO4 lithium batteries stand out for their safety, stability, and durability, offering up to 8-10 years of service with minimal upkeep.

Battery Type	Description	Advantages	Limitations	Maintenance
Flooded Lead-Acid (FLA)	Uses liquid electrolyte; needs water refills	Low cost, widely available	Heavy, prone to corrosion, frequent maintenance	High
AGM (Absorbed Glass Mat)	Sealed design with fiberglass mats	Spill-proof, vibration- resistant	Costlier, sensitive to overcharging	Low
Gel Batteries	Electrolyte in gel form	Leak-proof, works in extreme temps	Slow charging, limited peak power	Low
Lithium (LiFePO4)	Uses lithium iron phosphate cells and BMS	Lightweight, long lifespan, fast charging, maintenance-free	Higher upfront cost	None

Tips: If you're tired of refilling water or cleaning corrosion, upgrading to the best lithium golf cart battery is a smart long-term move.

Comparing Lead-Acid vs Lithium Golf Cart Batteries

When comparing lead-acid vs lithium golf cart batteries, the difference in performance, weight, and efficiency is significant.

Feature	Lead-Acid	Lithium (LiFePO4)
Weight	60–80 lbs each	50-70% lighter
Lifespan	3–5 years	8–10 years
Charging Time	8–10 hrs	4-6 hrs
Depth of Discharge	40–50% usable	90–100% usable
Energy Efficiency	~75%	~95%
Maintenance	Water refills, corrosion cleaning	Maintenance-free
Environmental Impact	Contains lead and acid	Non-toxic, recyclable
Safety	Risk of acid leaks and gas	Stable

Which is better?

If you drive your cart daily or on hilly terrain, lithium batteries deliver stronger acceleration, faster charging, and longer range, all while reducing maintenance costs.

Key Factors to Consider Be- fore Buying Golf Cart Batter- ies

Before deciding what size battery for your golf cart, evaluate these key factors carefully:

1. Voltage and Configuration

Most golf carts run on 36V or 48V systems.

Common setups include 6×8V, 4×12V, or 8×6V configurations.

Always check your golf cart battery cables and compartment size for compatibility.

2. Capacity and Usage Frequency

High Ah = longer driving range.

Choose 100Ah+ for frequent or commercial use, 75Ah-90Ah for light driving.

Tip: Estimate your daily mileage before purchasing. Multiply your average trip distance by two and choose a battery with a capacity at least 30% higher than your required capacity to ensure the battery matches your usage habits.

3. Charging Time and Efficiency

Faster charging means less downtime.

Lithium batteries can reach full charge in about 5 hours with a proper charger.

Tips: Always use a charger designed for your battery type, incorrect charging is a leading cause of shortened golf cart battery lifespan.

4. Weight and Installation

Lighter batteries improve handling and reduce strain on suspension and tires. Lithium models can weigh 50% less, making installation easier.

5. Temperature and Climate

Cold temperatures reduce golf cart battery voltage output for lead-acid models, while LiFePO4 remains stable in most climates.

6. Maintenance and Testing

Check terminal corrosion and electrolyte levels regularly (for lead-acid).

For lithium, periodically monitor voltage and golf cart battery meter readings.

7. Safety and BMS

A quality Battery Management System (BMS) protects lithium packs from overcharging, short circuits, and overheating, critical for both safety and performance.

8. Warranty and After-Sales Service

Look for brands that offer at least 3-5 years of warranty and responsive technical support.

How to Match a Battery to Your Golf Cart

Many owners overlook compatibility. To avoid common mistakes:

- Check your owner's manual for required voltage and battery group size.
- Confirm connector types and cable orientation.
- Measure available compartment space before purchasing.
- Verify the charger's output (voltage and amps).

Tips: Buying a battery that doesn't physically fit or match your charger is one of the most common purchasing errors.

Budget and Golf Cart Battery Cost

Many owners focus on the upfront price, but golf cart battery cost should be evaluated over its total lifespan. (See chart on next page)

Tips: A slightly higher upfront cost for lithium pays off quickly through zero maintenance, faster charging, and far fewer replacements.

Where to Buy Golf Cart Batteries

When searching for golf cart batteries near me or online,

Battery Type	Average Initial Cost	Typical Lifespan	Long-Term Value
Flooded Lead-Acid	\$1,000 – \$1,500	2 – 3 years	High maintenance cost
AGM / Gel	\$1,500 – \$1,800	3 – 5 years	Moderate value
Lithium (LiFePO[])	\$2,000 - \$2,500	8 – 10 years	Lowest lifetime cost
Lithium (LiFePO4)	Uses lithium iron phosphate	Lightweight, long lifespan, fast	Higher upfront cost
	cells and BMS	charging, maintenance-free	

consider these sources:

- Authorized dealers for brand warranties and installation help.
- Specialized golf cart shops that can test your charger and cable setup.
- Manufacturer websites (like Vatrer Battery) offering technical support and fast delivery.

Avoid buying from unknown resellers or second-hand listings without safety certifications.

Golf Cart Battery Charging Habits and Maintenance

Even the best batteries can degrade prematurely if not charged and maintained properly.

Best Practices:

- Recharge after every use, don't let your battery fully discharge.
- Store between 50-80% charge during long inactivity periods.
- Keep connections tight and corrosion-free.
- Use a smart charger that automatically stops when full.

Common Mistakes to Avoid:

- Mixing old and new batteries
- Using the wrong charger.

- · Leaving the battery discharged for weeks.
- Ignoring low water levels in flooded batteries.

Tips: If you're unsure how to check performance, learn about testing a golf cart battery using a multimeter or battery load tester.

Environmental and Performance Benefits of Golf Cart Batteries

Switching to lithium doesn't just improve performance, it's also better for the planet.

Aspect	Lead-Acid	Lithium (LiFePO4)
Energy Efficiency	70-80%	95%+
Recyclability	Moderate	High
Toxic Components	Lead, acid	None
Maintenance Impact	Frequent	Minimal
Vehicle Wear	Heavier weight = more strain	Lightweight = less wear

Tip: Lightweight lithium batteries can improve range by up to 20%, reducing both energy use and wear on your vehicle's parts.

Choosing a Reliable Golf Cart Battery Brand

When researching what are the best golf cart batteries, reputation, technology, and after-sales support matter as much as specifications.

Vatrer Battery, a trusted manufacturer of advanced LiFePO4 golf cart batteries, delivers all-around performance with safety and efficiency in mind.

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Buying Golf Cart Batteries Checklist Before You Purchase

Before you search for golf cart batteries near me or decide where to buy golf cart batteries, review this quick checklist:

- Confirm system voltage (36V or 48V).
- Match capacity (Ah) with driving needs.
- Measure compartment space and cable length.
- Check the connector type and polarity.

- Ensure charger compatibility.
- Verify certifications (UL, CE, UN38.3).
- Review warranty and customer support.
- · Avoid refurbished or unbranded batteries.

Conclusion

Selecting the right golf cart battery isn't just about price, it's about performance, reliability, and peace of mind.

Lead-acid batteries remain budget-friendly for occasional use, but lithium golf cart batteries like Vatrer LiFePO4 deliver longer lifespan, faster charging, lighter weight, and nearly maintenance-free operation.

Whether you're maintaining a fleet or upgrading a personal cart, investing in a quality battery ensures better power delivery, lower long-term costs, and a smoother ride for years ahead.

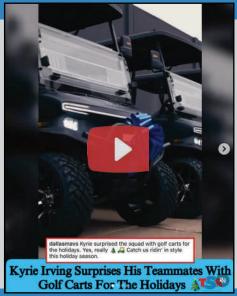




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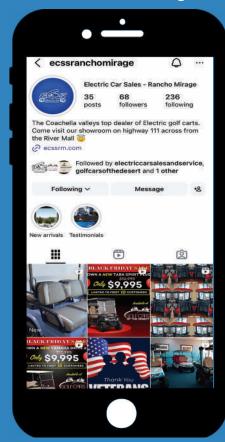
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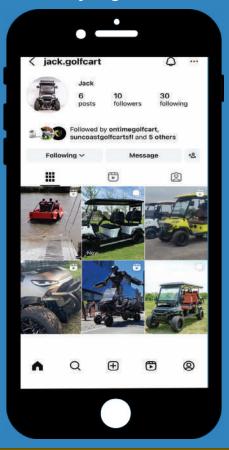


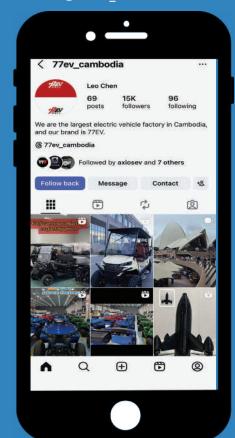
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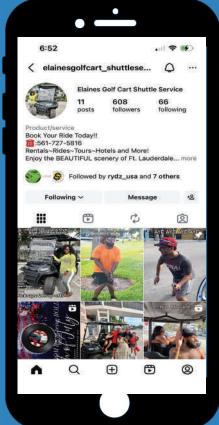


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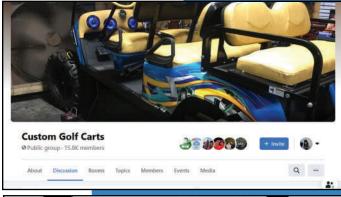
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Welcome to the tour of our mid-level E-Z-GO TXT custom build that our certified technicians built right in our in house service department. This is a gas cart and is available at our St. Louis location if you would like to take a look!



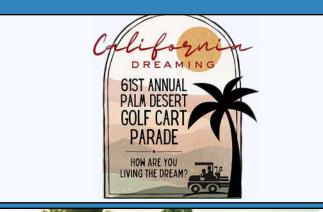
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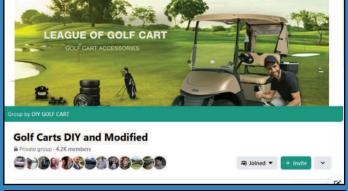




















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Helpful Tips

10 Luxury Accessories to Consider for Your Golf Cart

Elevating your golfing experience entails more than just the careful honing of skills or top-rated equipment. Often, it's about creating an environment that encapsulates comfort, convenience, and style. One way to achieve this is through thoughtful and luxurious golf cart customizations.

These details transform your golf cart into more than just a mode of transportation. Let's explore a variety of upscale additions you might consider adding to take your golf cart to the next level.

10 Luxury Accessories You Need for Your Golf Cart

There are so many ways that you can customize your golf cart, and we recommend doing so to inspire creativity and to impress your friends. Here are 10 luxury accessories you should try.

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1. High-End Stereo System

When it comes to enhancing your golfcart experience, one luxury accessory you should consider is a high-end stereo system. Music is known to impact our moods significantly, often very positively. It can calm us down or even psyche us up for a good game of golf.

By installing a top-grade stereo system in your cart, you get to bring along your favorite music on the course. This makes your ride more enjoyable and keeps you relaxed and focused.

2. High-Quality Seat Covers

To add a luxurious touch to your golf cart, a key accessory you won't want to overlook is seat covers. They add visible allure to your ride and enhance the level of comfort. If you want to upgrade your golf cart with comfortable seat covers, consider picking high-quality materials.

Leather and heated fabric, for example, provide an extra layer of plushness. Moreover, the range of colors and styles available enables you to customize your look almost endlessly.

3. Underbody Lighting

If you're interested in giving your golf cart a flashy upgrade, underbody lighting could be just what you're looking for. Far from being just decorative, these lighting systems enhance safety by improving the visibility of your cart during rainy days, dusky evenings, or night rides.

Meanwhile, the glow emitted from beneath your cart adds a unique aesthetic that surely turns heads on and off the course. Plus, these lights are available in an array of colors and effects.

4. Custom Wheels and Tires

Golfers don't have to limit their customization options to their footwear or attire; they can also trick out their wheels and tires! This accessory enhances the performance and aesthetic appeal of your cart. High-quality wheels offer smoother rides, assisting in maneuvering through terrain.

On the style front, the simple addition of chrome rims or designer tires can transform your golf cart into a showstopper. Plus, customizing your wheels allows you to express individuality.



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5. Windshield Wipers

While small in stature, windshield wipers should not be forgotten when considering luxurious additions to your golf cart. They become essential during those unexpected showers or misty mornings on the fairway when vision could be compromised, which affects your driving.

By equipping your golf cart with an efficient set

of high-quality windshield wipers, you ensure that rain doesn't impair your view or disrupt the enjoyment of your weekly golf game.

6. Golf Cart Lift Kits

If you're looking for an accessory that will add both style and functionality to your golf cart, a lift kit should be on your list. These kits add some extra height to your ride, making it easier for you to navigate through rough terrains on hilly courses. You can even drive through bunkers.

When you improve the suspension of your golf cart with a lift kit, you get a smoother ride and enhanced off-road capabilities. Plus, the elevation gives your vehicle a much cooler look.

7. Enclosed Cabins

For optimal comfort and a luxury feel in your golf cart, consider adding an enclosed cabin. This accessory is incredibly handy on those rain-soaked afternoons. An enclosed cabin provides you with an added layer of protection against harsh weather conditions, like rain or gusty winds.





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And let's not forget the special and unique ambiance it creates. Being snug and cozy in your own little cabin makes your ride feel even more premium and personal while out on the green.

8. GPS System

Golfing on a vast course can be quite challenging, especially if you're unfamiliar with the terrain. A GPS installed in your golf cart can offer the precision and convenience to help you navigate with ease. This saves you time and also prevents you from getting lost on large courses.

Plus, with modern versions equipped with exact hole positions and yardage data, they also enhance your game by aiding in strategic planning, bringing a tactical edge to your matches.

9. Cell Phone Holder

In this digital age, our cell phones are practically extensions of ourselves. Make your connection seamless even on the golf course by adding a convenient cell phone holder to your golf cart. This accessory allows for handsfree operation, so you can communicate without distraction.

No longer will you risk dropping your phone during sudden stops or turns. Plus, it's always right there to capture that perfect shot of a beautiful vista or an impressive golf swing.

10. Cooler and Refrigerator Combo

Let's add a refreshing twist to your golf cart with a cooler and refrigerator combo. Imagine the luxury of grabbing a chilled drink once you've nailed that challenging putt! These compact and efficient devices can fit into the storage area of your golf cart and are available at arm's length.

This allows you to stay hydrated on hot summer days. Upgrading your ride with this accessory guarantees an improved comfort level, turning an exhaustive round into an enjoyable excursion.

In Conclusion...

With amenities ranging from stereo systems to handy cooler and refrigerator combos, there's an array of luxury accessories you can add to your cart. These high-end additions not only perk up the appearance of your ride but also promisingly elevate your overall golfing experience.



Around The Industry

Keep up to date with the latest developments in the LSV/ cart world. From new product launches and business expansions to regulatory updates and market trends, we cover it all. Stay informed on the innovations and insights shaping the future of the LSV/golf cart industry.



FAIRWAY IQ

FAIRWAYIQ SETS NEW STANDARD WITH ZERO-BUFFER CART PATH GEOFENCING

Dedham, MA – FAIRWAYiQ, the golf industry's leading AI, automation, and GPS technology provider, proudly announces the release of FAIRWAYiQ Precision GPS for golf screens – the industry's first and only zero-buffer, pathedge geofencing solution for golf cart fleets.

Unlike traditional GPS systems that require a 5 to 15-foot buffer to avoid false alerts, FAIR-WAYiQ Precision GPS enables course operators to "pull the fence to the edge," using centimeter-level accuracy to enforce cart paths precisely where they're intended. The result is fast geofence setup, tighter cart control, fewer violations, better pace of play, and enhanced turf protection, all without disrupting the player experience.

"For years, the industry standard has been to

leave a 5 to 15-foot margin to avoid triggering false positives in geofencing," said Dave Vanslette, Founder and CEO of FAIRWAYiQ. "That compromise ends today. With FAIRWAYiQ Precision GPS, we give course operators complete control right to the edge of the cart path. It's a breakthrough in both accuracy and player satisfaction."

The Precision GPS solution builds on the same advanced positioning technology used in modern golf course maintenance equipment, like GPS-enabled sprayers. Weather, terrain, and other environmental factors can impact GPS accuracy, which is why FAIRWAYiQ's technology is engineered to deliver centimeter-level precision under real-world conditions. Most cart GPS systems require a 5- to 15-foot buffer to avoid false alerts caused by GPS drift – FAIRWAYiQ eliminates that need entirely. FAIRWAYiQ is the first to bring this capability to cart operations, closing the gap

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between enforcement and experience. This level of precision is used in modern golf course maintenance equipment, like GPS-enabled sprayers. FAIRWAYiQ is the first to bring this capability to cart operations, closing the gap between enforcement and experience.

"We've all been on a cart path while being told by a GPS system that we are off-path. Our goal was simple: eliminate the noise and improve precision," said Aaron Todd, Product Manager at FAIRWAYiQ. "The feedback from early adopters has been overwhelmingly positive. Courses

love that they can now enforce cart rules without annoying players, and players appreciate the seamless experience with fewer interruptions."

Paired with FAIRWAYiQ's in-cart screen and U.S.-based support, the Precision GPS system ensures a premium experience for both course staff and players. Learn more at www. fairwayig.com or book time with a FAIRWAYIQ product advisor.

About FAIRWAYiQ:

FAIRWAYiQ's AI and automation revolutionize golf and turf operations by effectively managing every aspect of the golf course, ensuring optimal efficiency and performance. Utilizing GPS sensor technology, the system tracks carts, caddies, and walkers, while offering a user-friendly cart screen to enhance the player experience.

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WITRICITY

WITRICITY AI TECH TO SHOWCASE MR/1™ 900W WIRELESS CHARGING AND UNVEIL **EXCITING NEW PRODUCT AT THE 2026 PGA SHOW**

Midway, December 16, 2025 - WiTricity Al Tech, LLC, the global leader in wireless electric vehicle (EV) charging, announced today that it will exhibit at the 73rd annual PGA Show, taking place January 20-23, 2026, in Orlando, Florida. Attendees are invited to visit Booth #2173 to experience WiTricity's latest advancements in wireless charging technology for golf carts, neighborhood electric vehicles (NEVs), personal transportation vehicles (PTVs), and more.

At the show, WiTricity will showcase its MR/1™ 900W Wireless Charging system, a revolutionary solution designed to make EV charging as simple as parking. Purpose-built for low-speed and specialty electric vehicles, the MR/1 enables fully automatic charging when a vehicle equipped with a WiTricity receiver is positioned over a Power Hub – eliminating plugs, cables, and manual handling. In addition to live demonstrations of the MR/1 system, WiTricity will unveil a brandnew wireless charging product at the PGA Show – one that promises to redefine expectations across the golf, resort, and commercial mobility industries. Details will be revealed exclusively at the event.

"Our survey of golf car and NEV owners showed overwhelming interest in wireless charging," said Joe Benz, CEO of WiTricity. "Users consistently point to ease of use, safety, and convenience - and they preferred vehicles with wireless charging by more than 2-to-1. We're excited to showcase the MR/1 900W system at the PGA Show and to debut a product that we believe will truly transform the industry."

WiTricity's booth will also feature Kinetic **Green Tonino Lamborghini Luxury Electric Golf Carts**, highlighting the seamless integra-

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tion of wireless charging technology with premium vehicle design and performance.

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Golf course operators, resort managers, fleet owners, and industry professionals attending

the PGA Show are encouraged to visit **Booth** #2173 to learn how wireless EV charging can improve vehicle uptime, streamline operations, and enhance the overall ownership experience.

For more information about WiTricity's wireless EV charging technology, visit WiTricity. com.

About WiTricity AI Tech, LLC

WiTricity AI Tech, LLC is a pioneer in wireless electric vehicle charging, powering automotive, industrial, micromobility, and consumer electronics markets worldwide. The company continues to drive innovation and standardization in wireless EV charging for all types of vehicles.

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CLUB CAR

CLUB CAR BECOMES OFFI-CIAL CMAE SUPPLIER

Club Car, a global industry-leading manufacturer of small-wheel, zero-emissions electric vehicles, has become an Official Supplier of the Club Management Association of Europe (CMAE).

Club Car has long supported the golf industry, building longstanding partnerships with organisations such as The PGA, the DP World Tour, the Ryder Cup, the UK Golf Federation and the European Institute of Golf Course Architects.

The new agreement with the CMAE means that support

now extends to the education of club managers through the Management Development Programme. Within the CMAE's structured education programme are two levels of certification: the Club Management Diploma and the Certified Club Manager.

Andrew Bourke, Club Car's Regional Sales Manager for the UK, Ireland and Scandinavia, said: "We are very excited to support this area of the industry and help the development of club managers throughout Europe, the Middle East and North Africa. There's a real opportunity to educate on fleet usage, particularly how to use connectivity – from an operational

point of view and to increase revenue. A golf or utility fleet is always an investment, so our expertise on how clubs can get the best return from that investment will be invaluable to the CMAE's members."

CMAE's Commercial Director Craig Cotterill said: "We are delighted to welcome Club Car as an Official Supplier. Their reputation for quality, innovation and industry leadership aligns perfectly with our mission to support and elevate club managers across our regions.

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BIT SOFTWARE CELEBRATES 40 YEARS OF HELPING DEALERSHIPS **THRIVE**

BiT Software, a leading provider in dealer management systems, is celebrating its 40th anniversary in business.

Since its founding in 1985, BiT Software has helped hundreds of dealerships and thousands of users run their sales, service, parts, and storage departments more efficiently and effectively.

BiT's dealer management system (DMS) was originally created to serve boat dealers, marinas, and service centers and has expanded over the last two decades to also serve the golf car, RV, powersports, and outdoor power equipment industries.

"From day one, BiT's mission has been to get the right information into the hands of business owners, so they can make wise decisions about growing profitably and serving their customers," said Edward MacFawn, president of BiT Software. "That goal has never changed. What has evolved is how we deliver the data—with cloud technology, no-nonsense design, and a team deeply committed to customer success."

MacFawn, who took ownership of BiT in 2005 after a career in finance and operations leadership at firms including KPMG and Honeywell, has built a team that shares his passion for helping small businesses thrive. During MacFawn's time with BiT, he and his staff have continually worked hard to improve the software.

BiT was one of the first dealer management systems to be completely cloud-based and most recently became one of the first to offer embedded two-way text messaging within its platform and mobile app, allowing business

owners to use BiT as a communication hub with their customers.

The team at BiT includes professionals with backgrounds in retailing, accounting, and operations, but their defining trait is a shared dedication to helping dealerships and service centers grow.

"BiT is more than just software. It's a partnership," said MacFawn. "Our support team works hard during the onboarding process to ensure every single customer's success from day one with BiT."

BiT has become a trusted technology partner for a wide range of dealerships throughout North America — from Alaska to Bermuda, from Canada to the Caribbean.

As part of its 40th anniversary celebration, BiT is reaffirming its commitment to continuous improvement and dealer accessibility.

With a flexible and transparent month-tomonth pricing model, no upfront fees, and no long-term contracts, BiT continues to make powerful dealership technology available to businesses of all sizes.

About BiT Software

Founded in 1985, BiT Software provides a cloud-based dealer management system that helps marine, golf car, RV, powersports, and outdoor power equipment dealerships operate more efficiently and profitably. Its comprehensive platform integrates sales, service, and parts, supported by a team dedicated to dealer success. BiT is an Official Provider of Brunswick Dealer Advantage, a BRP-certified DMS through the PDS program, and part of the Mercury Marine Lead Program. Headquartered in Knoxville, Tenn., BiT is surrounded by some of the most renowned boat manufacturers and a thriving outdoor recreation community. For more information, please visit bitdms.com.

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SLOW RIDES USA REDEFINES GOLF CART MANUFACTURING WITH AMERICAN-MADE CHASSIS, SEATS, AND COMPONENTS

FORT MYERS, FL — Slow Rides USA (www.slowridescars.com) is reshaping the golf car and low-speed vehicle (LSV) industry with its commitment to high-quality, American-made components. At a time when tariffs, import restrictions, and supply chain challenges are disrupting access to golf carts, Slow Rides USA is stepping up to offer manufacturers a reliable domestic solution.

Founded by industry veterans with decades of combined experience in cart design and assembly, Slow Rides USA specializes in U.S.-engineered aluminum chassis, premium seat manufacturing, and advanced plastic components such as bodies and dashes. By building in the USA it ensures OEMs and dealers can bypass overseas delays

while benefiting from faster turnaround times, strict quality standards, and lower logistical risks.

"Our mission is simple," said Joseph Webster, CEO of Slow Rides USA. "We want to provide golf cart manufacturers with a dependable domestic partner that can keep their supply chains moving and their customers happy. By sourcing and building in the U.S., we're not only delivering higher quality products but also helping OEMs future-proof their businesses against rising tariffs and unpredictable shipping."

A Complete Manufacturing Partner

Slow Rides USA offers more than parts—it delivers a vertically integrated solution for manufacturers and dealers:

- Chassis Manufacturing: Precision-engineered aluminum frames designed for strength, safety, and performance.
- Seat Production: Premium comfort seating built in the USA, with customizable stitching and configurations.
- Plastic Components: Durable, high-quality molded bodies, dashes, and accessories tailored to OEM needs.
- Consulting Services: Strategic support for brands seeking to reshore production and streamline operations with American suppliers.

Meeting the Needs of a Changing Market

The golf car and LSV market is experiencing rapid growth, fueled by recreational demand, commercial applications, and the rise of neighborhood EV transportation. At the same time, international supply disruptions have left many dealers without inventory. Slow Rides USA is addressing this gap head-on by giving manufacturers a trusted partner for both current production and long-term scaling.

"Dealers and OEMs alike are looking for stability," added Webster. "We believe the future of this industry lies in domestic manufacturing, and Slow Rides USA is here to lead that charge."

About Slow Rides USA

Slow Rides USA designs and manufactures aluminum chassis, premium seating, and plastic body components for the golf cart and low-speed vehicle industry. Based in Fort Myers, Florida, the company provides American-made solutions that help manufacturers and dealers strengthen supply chains, improve quality, and bring reliable products to market. For more information, visit www. slowridescars.com or contact sales@slowridesusa.com.

ACCESSORIES MARKET REPORT

THE GLOBAL GOLF CART ACCESSORIES MARKET SIZE WAS VALUED AT USD 428.7 MILLION IN 2025. THE MARKET IS EXPECTED TO GROW FROM USD 459.8 MILLION IN 2026 TO USD 884.4 MILLION IN 2035, AT A CAGR OF 7.5%, ACCORDING TO LATEST REPORT PUBLISHED BY GLOBAL MARKET INSIGHTS INC.



LSV/GOLF CART MARKET REPORT

AMERICA GOLF CART MAR-KET TO REACH 3.33 USD BILLION BY 2035 AT 4.42% CAGR

As per Market Research Future Analysis, the America Golf Cart Market growth is projected to reach USD 3.33 billion, at a 4.42% CAGR by driving industry size, share, top company analysis, segments research, trends, and forecast report from 2025 to 2035.

The America golf cart market is expanding beyond traditional golf courses, as residential communities, resorts, airports, industrial facilities, and campuses increasingly adopt golf carts for short-distance mobility. Manufacturers are introducing street-legal and utility-focused models with improved battery efficiency, higher load capacity, and enhanced safety features such as seat belts, lighting systems, and weather enclosures. The rising popularity of gated communities and retirement townships is further supporting demand for personal-use golf carts across suburban regions.

Electric golf carts are gaining stronger traction as users prefer low-noise, low-maintenance, and environmentally friendly transport options. Technology upgrades such as lithium-ion batteries, GPS tracking, smart dashboards,

and mobile-app connectivity are being integrated to improve usability and fleet management. Customization is also becoming a key trend, with buyers seeking personalized designs, luxury seating, and premium finishes to match lifestyle preferences.

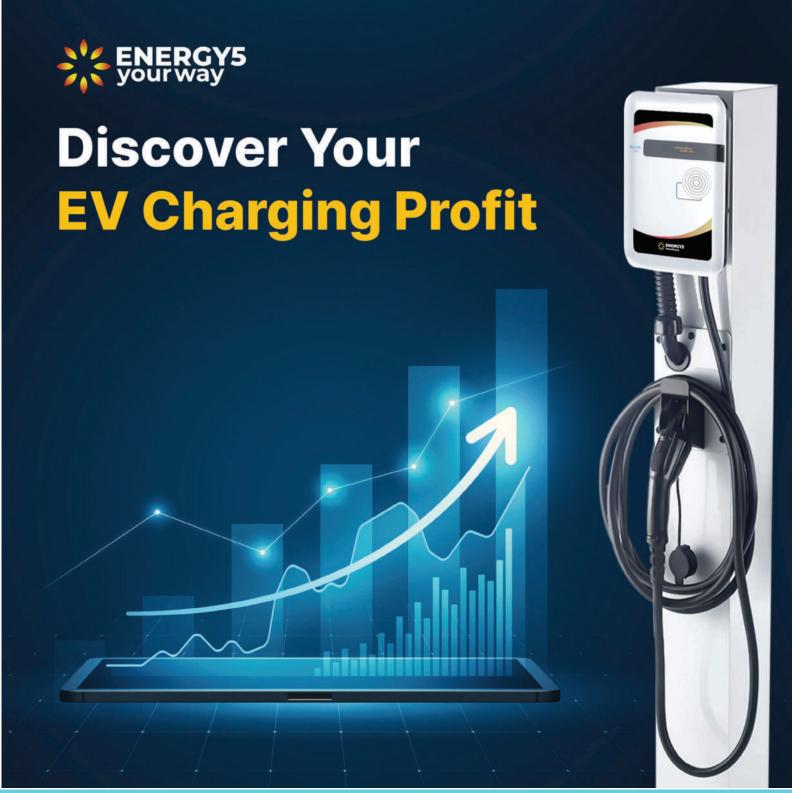
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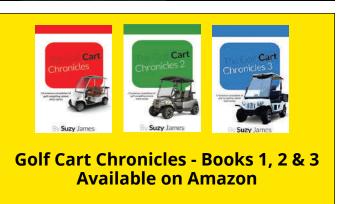


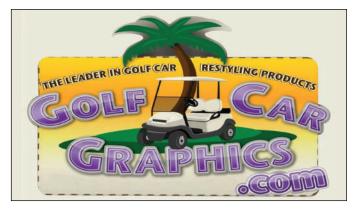












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