FAQ – Gas and Battery Powered Cart Use

What type of personal protective equipment is required?
The following PPE is generally required by manufacturer’s:
• Safety boots
• Eye protection
• Hearing protection

What should I do prior to operating?
• Prior to operating any equipment review the operator’s manual to familiarize yourself with the equipment.
• Inspect the equipment as outlined in operator’s manual including the following:
  • Check tires and tire pressure
  • Check steering
  • Check brakes
  • Check fuel or battery
  • Check seatbelts
  • Check horn/signals/lights/window wipers

How do I safely operate the equipment?
• Only carry passengers in seats with seat belts
• Never carry passengers in cargo box
• Ensure loads are secured, centered, and carried as low as possible
• Reduce speed on rough or hilly terrain
• Do not overload vehicle refer to operator’s manual for cargo and occupant load limits
• Wear your seat belt if equipped
• Wear eye protection, keep hands and feet inside vehicle at all times.
• Reduce speed when carrying passengers
• Avoid sharp turns
• Operate slowly in reverse
• Operators and passengers must read and understand all safety labels
• Watch for branches and other hazards that could enter the operator’s cab

How do I safely add fuel?
When adding fuel observe the following
• If required mix fuel and oil as per operator’s manual.
• Always mix fuel outdoors
• Always shut off the motor
• Let the motor cool before adding fuel
• Do not smoke or place hot objects near fuel
• Open fuel cap slowly to release pressure gently
• Tighten fuel cap carefully after refueling
• Move the machine away from the area of refueling before trying to restart.
• If fuel is spilled on machine, wipe up the spillage and allow for the remaining fuel to evaporate
• If fuel is spilled on your clothes change your clothing and wash any parts of your body that has come in contact with the fuel
• If fuel is leaking from the machine remove from use until repaired.

What are some of the hazards?
• Wearing loose clothing that could result in getting caught in moving parts
• Hearing loss by failing to wear hearing protection properly
• Suffering eye of face injury from not using eye and face protection
• Loss of control resulting in a roll over due to surface conditions or improper operation

What if I have other concerns?
If you have any concerns or questions speak to your:
1. Supervisor,
2. Health and safety representative, or
3. Contact EHS