

## Powered Industrial Trucks, Golf Cart and Utility Cart Safety

## Always:

- Yield to pedestrians
- Read all warning labels
- Disconnect the battery charging cable before operating
- Make sure the cart is in safe working condition before each use
- Report any mechanical or equipment defects
- Check the area behind the cart before backing up
- Keep all body parts- feet, legs and arms inside the cart while it is in motion
- Remain seated and hold on while cart is in motion
- Travel in the direction of the flow of traffic and obey all traffic regulations
- Slow down before and during turns
- Drive the cart only as fast as terrain and safety considerations allow
- Brake to control speed when traveling down an incline
- Turn the key to the off position, remove the key and engage the parking brake, when unattended
- Ensure that all powered industrial truck (PIT) and cart operators are competent as demonstrated by the successful completion of training and practical evaluation by a qualified instructor.

## Never:

- Exceed the posted speed limit
- Exceed the speed of the pedestrian traffic
- Stop suddenly or turn sharply
- Wear headsets, including ear buds, while operating a cart
- Exceed the passenger limit and load capacity designated by the manufacturer
- Operate a cart without a valid driver's license
- Operate a cart if you are impaired in any way (tired, medicated, inebriated, etc.)
- Exceed the manufacturer's load restrictions
- Modify a vehicle without the written authorization from the manufacturer

California Code Regulations, Title 8, Sections 3650 – 3668

