## Fatal Vision Program Guidelines Greenville County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit

## **Purpose of the Program**

The Purpose of the Fatal Vision Program is to give people the opportunity to literally see what it is like to drive in a drunken state to bring awareness to DUI Awareness. The goggles used allow the individual to see what it looks like to be impaired. The cart gives motor skills such as speed and steering through a coned off course. The course is done with full faculties and vision and then it is done a second time with the impairment goggles used. This gives a stark awareness of how much DUI's are impaired by alcohol.

## **Guidelines**

- 1. Every participant will have a program instructor seated in the golf cart with them. The program instructor will be given a brief training by a Greenville County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit Employee
- 2. Program instructors must hold a valid drivers license and must be at least 16 years old.
- 3. Only those who have a valid driver's license or beginners permit will be allowed to drive the golf cart.
- 4. If a participant does not have a driver's license or beginners permit, the instructor will drive and the participant will be a passenger who will be allowed to wear the goggles through the course. They will be able to see the visual impairment, but will not be allowed to drive while impaired.
- 5. Every participant must fill out and sign a release of liability form. If the participant is 18 years old or older, they may sign the release themselves. A separate release is required for each participant.
- 6. If the participant is 17 years old or younger, the release must be signed by their parent. The release will have contact information for the parent in case of an accident. The parent will be notified immediately if their child is injured. A separate release is required for each participant.

- 7. There must be a controlled staging area to the side of the actual course to make sure participants waiting for their turn do not crowd the driving course. Losing control of the staging area will mean the course is closed to all participation. Participant may never wait beside or in the driving course coned area.
- 8. Each participant will be instructed on safe use of hand rails, course description, and speed. The program instructor will guide the participant through the course in a safe manner.
- 9. No horseplay or reckless behavior will be allowed.
- 10. No program instructors outside the control of the Greenville County Sheriff's Office will be allowed to instruct this program.
- 11. There will be no double participants on the golf cart. Each course is designed with one participant and one instructor.
- 12. There will be no solo drivers. Each participant must have an instructor.

13. The course design will be a basic figure 8. The participants may drive once without impairment to see the ease of driving unimpaired. They then will put on the goggles and try the same course with visual impairment.

