

PACE OF PLAY

Hello Ladies,

Your friendly rules person here. I hope you are all enjoying the opportunity to get to know other club members, both 9 and 18 holers, that our shotgun starts, and brief morning meetings provide. It will be important, as the season progresses that we do our part to keep this routine in place by keeping up the pace of play on the course so that players are not having to wait, and we are able to complete our rounds in the time allotted to us before the course opens up to all others.

To that end, I would like to remind all players about some of the points for keeping up the pace of play, many of which are rooted in general golf etiquette.

- Always try to keep up with the group in front of you. This means playing “ready golf”.
- Be “ready” to hit your ball when it is your turn by having your club ready to go.
- If you are “ready” and it is not really your turn to hit, go ahead if you are not interfering with the player whose turn it is to play.
- When another player is across the fairway and ready to hit, it is OK for both players to do so, again, if there will not be any interference with the flight of the ball.
- Move your cart from the front of the putting green whenever possible, either to the side or the back of the green. This allows the players following you, to play up to the green when they feel they are able.
- Wait until you reach the next teeing area, before marking your score on the card, to again help speed up the play of those following behind.
- Leave the green quickly to move on to the next hole.

If your group is falling behind, players in your group may leave the green early to move to the next teeing area and tee off before all players in your group have putted out.

Please be respectful of other players in your group by keeping your chatter to a minimum, especially when a player is ready to shoot, whether it be on the teeing area, in the general area or on the putting green.

When on the green, be aware of the pathways of the other players’ balls to the hole. Avoid stepping on or over said pathways; rather walk around behind the player.

Cheers,
Jan Pelton
Rules Chair