

Pace of Play Hints

Each Member of the group is responsible for keeping up!

Slow play is a result of bad habits that waste time. Enjoy your round, play well and follow these guidelines for a 4 ½ hour round or better.

1. **If you don't see the group in front of you it is a good indication you are behind. Look ahead, not behind.**
2. Play "Ready Golf". In **stroke** play, if safe and not interfering, playing out of turn is permissible. (Decision 10-2c/2)
3. Think about your next shot as you go to your ball and minimize practice swings.
4. Take several clubs with you, the one you think you will use, plus others you *may* need to use.
5. Drive the cart as a team. While one player walks to her ball, the other player drives up the path opposite her ball. Do not wait for a player to return to the cart before going to the next ball.
6. Study your line of putt while others are preparing to putt. Do not wait until it is your turn to start looking at your putt. Continuous putting speeds up play if doesn't cause interference.
7. **When you have holed out leave the green and **immediately** drive to the next tee. Do not put your clubs away until at the next tee, and do not write your scores down until you have arrived at the next tee. Make faster transitions between greens and tees.**
8. Play a provisional ball for a ball "out of bounds" or "lost".
9. Watch the other players' balls to reduce time looking for balls.
10. There is no need for all four players to look for a possible lost ball, two hit and then help if necessary.
11. Be courteous, don't talk while other are hitting. Smooth playing helps everyone relax, have a good time, and usually results in better scores.