

## **PACE OF PLAY: Be Ready, Set, and Go!**

### **Yes, this is One of the Most Visited Topics of our Golf Committee and its Guests!**

- All golfers paid to play, and ALL golfers deserve pace of play to be as efficient as possible, so everyone enjoys the round!
- Our Golf Courses are considered “READY PLAY” ---i.e., no need to rush, but don’t waste time!
- Start smart: know your tee time and hole assignment, get there a minimum of 15 minutes ahead so you can pair up, AND so we can go out on time.

### **Expedite Your Hit:**

- Strive for having 20 seconds to execute your hit. This includes measuring the distance, selecting your club, doing your Pre-Shot Routine with 1(one) practice swing, and executing your hit.

### **What is Correct position on the Course?**

- Immediately behind the group in front of you, NOT immediately in front of the group behind you
- Be ready to hit your shot before the group in front of you leaves
- If unable to stay up with group in front of you, and gap grows, then invite group behind you to play through or skip a hole so you catch up

### **WHAT do we each NEED to do for pace of play and enjoyment of all our members?**

- When you get to the tee box, be ready with glove, ball, tee, and club
- Whoever is ready, tee off first, (Honors are nice if everyone is ready, otherwise play when ready.)
- Shorter distance hitters should hit when not a threat of hitting into group in front of you—and longer hitters need to wait
- Follow flight of tee shots of all players to assist with finding balls
- Don’t start/continue conversations at tee box when fairway is open in front of you, save your stories for later or when time permits
- Don’t camp out in the cart while your partner is playing. Grab a club or two and make your way to your ball, figure your yardage, and hit when the coast is clear
- Take only one practice swing
- If in a cart, grab a few clubs and walk to your ball if possible, so you are ready to hit when it is your turn

- If walking, walk directly to your ball so you are ready
- If someone has a lost ball, hit your ball first then go help look
- Putt while someone else is raking a bunker
- You can putt out instead of all continuing to mark your ball
- Consider double par as max score! (We all have those moments when it is not our hole!)
- When done with hole move to cart, put away clubs quickly and ALWAYS score on the next hole

What else....

- You don't have to be a good player to play fast, follow these tips and you will easily keep up.
- Don't wait for the dawdler in your group, play your speed, no one wants left behind they will pick it up.
- Trust the other guy's range finder if he gave you the number!
- Save the jokes and stories for the right time, you can easily hold up play
- Play as if you only have 3 hours to finish due to darkness, you most likely will focus on your game, not over think, and keep moving!
- If you cannot consistently reach a par 4 in regulation, consider moving to a different set of tees. You will have more fun reaching the green!

**Thank you from the Golf Committee and the Pro Shops for doing your part in helping us improve Pace of Play for everyone!**