



PACE OF PLAY – PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

IGF policy is that the Pace of Play Condition will be strictly applied.

Player Responsibility

- It is the responsibility of each player to play within the published maximum times allowed and stay in position with the group in front
- Referees will inform players who are not doing so
- Even if the reason for your group being “out of position” is as a result of a lost ball, a lengthy search or a ruling, it remains the responsibility of the group:
 - to play to the scheduled time, and
 - to get back into position (with referee assistance if necessary)
- If you keep up with the group in front, your group will not be timed

When Group Is Out of Position:

- Referee will ask group to get back into position
- If group not back into position within two holes or no effort made after one hole, group will be “timed”
- A group may be timed even towards the end of its round

Procedure When Being Timed:

- The maximum time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. 10 extra seconds are allowed for the first player to play:
 - a tee shot on a par three hole;
 - an approach shot to the green; and
 - a chip or putt
- If you walk quickly to your ball and play your shot within 40 seconds, you will not be penalised
- The 40 seconds includes all shot preparation, such as pacing yardages, club selection, looking at the line of putt, etc.
- Except for putts, the time will start when the player has reached the teeing ground or the ball and it is the player’s turn to play
- On the putting green, individual timings will commence after the player has had a chance to lift, clean and replace her ball, all other balls have been marked and the player has been given sufficient time to repair ball-marks, remove loose impediments and to reach a position to start assessing the putt
- A “bad time” occurs when a player in a group that is being timed exceeds the time permitted
- After being advised/warned of a first “bad time”, if a player has further bad times, penalties will be applied

Things that the player can do to help:

- If your group is falling behind the group in front try to catch up quickly
- Walk at a good pace between shots
- Play “Ready Golf”
- Do not wait until it is your turn to play to put your glove on or calculate your distance
- Look at your line of putt while the other players in the group are looking at theirs

Note: The full Pace of Play Condition has been provided to the Captains.