



## PACE OF PLAY NOTICE - WINTER 2025

The following guidance for **reducing slow play** will help everyone enjoy their Winter Golf in a timely manner.

### 1. General guidance

- **Be ready** to tee off at your allocated tee-time.
- Slow play is to be avoided. Keep things moving at a **prompt pace**.
- Your place on the course should be **immediately behind the group in front** and not ahead of the group behind.
- If your group has fallen a **clear hole behind** the group in front, you should either:
  - a) **speed up your play**; or
  - b) **call the group behind through**.
- Suggest to your group that they pick up the pace. **Walking with more purpose** can help you recover your place on the course.

### 2. Ready Golf

- Ready Golf keeps things moving and is **recommended**.
- Be ready to approach the tee box once the group ahead have played.
- **Order of play** is based on **who is ready**, not who has the honour.
- Longer hitters can tee off last.
- Play a **provisional ball** if in doubt.
- Go directly to your own ball first, particularly off the tee.
- If you reach your ball and are ready to play your shot (and it is safe to do so), you can **go ahead and play** - even if it is not your turn.
- **Don't over-analyse** which ball is further from the hole, **use common sense** and play your ball when it is safe to do so.
- If possible, play your shot before going to help look for a partner's ball.

### 3. Calling through

- If your group falls a **clear hole behind** the group in front and delays the group behind, invite the group behind to play through (irrespective of the number of players in that group).

### 4. Looking for your ball

- If you think your ball may be hard to find or out of bounds, play a **provisional ball**.
- No more than **three minutes** is allowed for locating a ball.
- If you cannot find your ball in three minutes, **you must move on**.
- Call the group behind through if they are delayed by your group's search for a lost ball.

### 5. Your golf bag, buggy or cart

- These should be placed to the **side of the green** nearest to the next tee-box for a quick exit.

### 6. Marking score cards

- Mark score cards on the **next tee box** after you have played your shot or while you are waiting on your turn to play.

Enjoy your golf and let's keep things moving at a prompt pace!

Ladies' Committee and Men's Committee  
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