

Good Golf Habits - Guidelines for avoiding slow play

When you arrive at the course.

Go to the Registration Desk or ProShop.

Get your card, check local rules and conditions. Have a putt.

Warm up stretches, chipping, hit a small bucket of balls or a hit in the practice nets.

On The Tee

Arrive at the tee 5 minutes before your tee time

Decide on strategy for the first hole - select your club

If you are first off, tee up and be ready to hit when the players in front are out of range.

If you are second, be ready to walk up and tee up your ball as the first player is picking up their tee.

On the Fairway

Being aware of others, walk briskly to your ball, thinking about your next shot.

Select your club and be ready to play when it is your turn.

Repair your divot and move to your ball, thinking about your next shot.

Watch others balls and help search for their ball if necessary.

Match Play - the furthest ball from the hole is played first

Match play - be aware of what your opponent is doing at all times, counting his strokes.

Match Play - ask your opponent how many strokes they have had as you approach the green

Leave your clubs between the green and the next tee

Your group should always be immediately behind the group in front of you.

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On the Green

Leave your clubs between the green and the next tee

Check your line as you approach the green (up or down hill, left or right break)

Don't walk or stand on any players line of putt including your own.

Repair your pitch mark

Mark and clean your ball

Assess who's putt it is, and if it is your's, then read the putt and proceed. Putt out if possible **(but not in Match Play)**

If it is not your putt, read your line (up or down hill, left or right break) and be ready when it is your turn.

Ask the player with the longest putt if they would like you to attend the flagstick and do so or remove it and walk away.

Be aware of where your shadow is. It should not be across a line of putt.

Move on to the next tee and write scores on your card there, not on the green.

If your group is behind time, two may go to the next tee before the others finish putting.

On the Green

Match Play

Match Play - Ask your opponent how many strokes they have had before you putt.

If you cannot win the hole "concede" it to them.

Match Play - You and your opponent putt out first then go to the next tee and hit off if it is safe. Wait for the others.

Match Play - The player who's ball is furthest from the hole always putts next.

Match Play - You may "give a putt" if it is very short. The player must count the "gimme" in their score.

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