



PWGA PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES

Here at PWGA we ask you to make a concerted effort to enact best practices that positively impact the pace of play during all scheduled calendar events for the season.

Papago Golf Course utilizes a GPS-enabled hardware and software system to help us manage pace of play. The cart has a GPS unit that tracks your positioning in real time. Members that walk, your pace of play is determined also by time between groups with carts.

If your foursome falls more than 2 shots behind the group in front of you, our player assistants will remind you to close the gap between holes. We understand that brief delays happen from time to time, but we request that you regain your position as soon as possible.

PWGA considers you to be out of position if, at any time during the round:

- If you reach a Par-3 hole that is clear of all play (all players in the forward group have reached the next tee box or beyond), you are out of position.
- If you reach a Par-4 or Par-5 hole which is NOT clear of all play but becomes clear BEFORE your group completes ALL tee shots, you are out of position.
- If you reach a Par-4 or Par-5 hole and it is clear of all players, you are out of position and WAY behind.

If any of the above conditions occur, please use the guidelines below to get back into position ASAP.

HOW TO HELP YOUR GROUP KEEP PACE - PLAY READY GOLF

ON TEE BOXES: Play “ready golf” on all tee boxes. Collect scores at the tee box from the previous hole (not on the last green).

GET READY FOR YOUR SHOT BEFORE YOU REACH YOUR BALL: Once you are off the tee, think ahead. Determine your yardage and make your club selection before it is your turn to play. Prepare while others are hitting—do so quietly.

WHEN YOU SHARE A CART, WORK TOGETHER:

- While your playing partner hits, get out of the cart and walk to your ball with a few clubs and your range finder. Be ready to play when it is your turn and let your partner pick you up.
- Whenever possible, park your cart ahead of your ball, not behind it. When you are at greenside, make sure you are parking where you will not interfere with the group behind you. (move cart toward next hole when possible)
- After you hit your shot, get into the cart quickly while still holding your clubs. You can clean and replace your clubs into your bag when your cart partner gets out to hit their shot. This saves ALOT of time!

GREENSIDE BUNKER: If you are still short of the green after hitting out of a greenside bunker, tell your group to go ahead and start putting while you rake. Conversely, if one of your playing partners is still “out” after playing their sand shot, you can help by offering to rake for them while they hit their next shot. Never wait to play while someone is raking!

BE EFFICIENT ON THE PUTTING GREENS: Line up your putts while others are putting. Read the green BEFORE it is your turn to putt. If you are ready to putt before others, say “I am ready, I can go”. Indicate if you would like to finish, when you are near the flagstick. Please finish holing out, when possible, with respect to other’s putting lines.

ONCE THE FIRST 2 PEOPLE HAVE PUTTED OUT - Walk to the next Tee Box and tee off. The other two players can follow.

LOST BALL: Three minutes is the MAXIMUM allotted time to search for a ball. If you can’t find your ball within three minutes, it is lost. Because it is lost, you must return to the spot of your previous stroke and play another ball from there for one penalty stroke (see Rule 18.2b).