



Suggestions for speeding up play



It's important to note that many of these tips have nothing to do with *rushing* your play, but rather with simply being *ready* to play, and with using common sense and good etiquette on the course.

- The bottom line is, as soon as it's your turn to play, you should be ready to step right up and make the stroke. Remember your speed of play on course affects not only your group but the field behind.
- Members of a group should not travel together - walking together to the first ball, then the second, and so on. Each member of the group should walk directly to his own ball.
- Use the time you spend getting to your ball to think about the next shot - the yardage, the club selection etc. When you reach your ball you'll need less time to figure out the shot.
- On reaching the green place your trolley/bag at the side of the green nearest to the next tee - do not leave it in front of the green.
- Begin reading the green and lining up putts as soon as you reach the green. Don't wait until it's your turn to putt to start the process of reading the green. Do it as soon as you reach the green so that when it's your turn you can step right up and putt.

- Always clear the green promptly.
- Always get to the next tee and be ready to play without delay.
- Mark your card on the next tee only if it is not your turn to play.
- It is always good policy to keep up with the group in front and not just in front of the group behind.
- 4½ hours is acceptable for a Medal round, a Stableford round should be shorter as should a three ball in both formats anything more is considered *slow play*.
- Walk at a good pace between shots. - you don't have to look like you're in a race, but if your between shot walk could best be described as an "amble," you're probably going too slow.
- You would only be asked to speed up by fellow players if your group are obviously slow.

**Above all have respect for your fellow members
and adhere to the above.**

HAPPY GOLFING!!!