



MAGGIE VALLEY
CLUB

Pace of Play Program

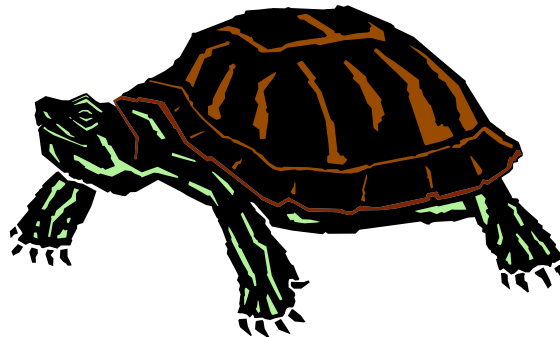
Objective

- Maggie Valley Club's Pace of Play is 4 hours & 15 minutes with carts allowed to use the 90 Degree Rule. If carts are restricted to the path, the Pace of Play will be 4 hours & 35 minutes.
- Educate the membership & guests on this Pace of Play time.
- Educate the membership on slow play and what the causes are.
- Educate the Starters & Marshals on what causes slow play, and how to identify it.
- Educate the Professional Staff on slow play and what the causes are.
- Have Professional Staff manage the golf course to eliminate slow play.
- Establish policy and procedures to eliminate slow play.



Reasons for Slow Play

1. Players playing from the wrong set of tee.
2. Course design
3. Arriving to 1st tee right at tee time or actually late for tee time.
4. Teeing off before the starting time.
5. Playing a crowded course as a twosome.
6. Not playing "Ready Golf".
7. Golf course Marshal's are not empowered.
8. Course maintenance and setup.
9. Tee time intervals to close together.
10. Looking for golf balls for more than 5 minutes.
11. Taking to many practice swings.
12. Trying to put to many players on the course.



Empowering Course Marshal's

- Generally Speaking, marshals are some what effective in influencing pace of play. The reason is that they are rarely empowered to make decisions to improve pace of play. This would include asking a group to pick up their golf balls and move to the next tee. While there may be pain in doing this the first few times, the word will quickly spread and many more of your customers will actually thank you. The key is a concentrated and comprehensive program with leadership provided by national and provincial associations.



Tips to speed up Play

Slow Play is the ultimate sin in golf because it affects everyone around you – your playing companions and those golfers behind you. You can play only as fast as the slowest person on the golf course. The pleasure of playing the Maggie Valley Club, one of Western North Carolina's best golf courses, can be diminished by slow play. With an increase awareness from the players the four hour and fifteen minute round can become a reality everyday.

Here are some time-honored fast-play suggestions:

1. Always be prepared to hit when it is your turn.
2. Don't dawdle on the greens, marking very short putts. Knock them in.
3. Leave your bag or golf cart on the side of the green nearest the next tee.
4. Follow existing target times for each hole.
5. If you are running up a big score on a hole and are over your equitable stroke control, pick up and move to the next tee.
6. If you are holding up a group behind you and there are holes open ahead of you, let others play through.
7. Be on time to and ready to hit at your starting time.
8. Don't tee off before your starting time.
9. Don't ask to play a crowded course as a one some, twosome, or threesome without expecting to wait.
10. Use the proper tees for your game.
11. Improve your short game.
12. Walk directly to your ball and play ready golf.
13. If carts are on the path, never walk across the fairway more than once, and always carry enough clubs to get you to the green.
14. Watch your shot until it completely stops rolling.
15. Use drop circles where provided.
16. Don't look for lost golf balls all over the golf course. They make new ones everyday.

Maggie Valley Club Strengths

1. Strong, Educated Golfing Membership.
2. Starters and Marshal's willing to improve program.
3. Professional Golf Staff committed to solving problems on slow play.
4. Training and continuing education on a year around basis for all starter's and marshal's.

