

PGA OF MANITOBA PACE OF PLAY POLICY

The PGA of Manitoba Pace of Play guidelines, fines, and penalties for slow play are in effect for all PGA of Manitoba events, and will be shared with all registrants prior to each event.

A player is subject to penalty if they unduly delay play under the provisions of this Pace of Play Policy under Rule 5.6.

OUT OF POSITION DEFINED

A group will be considered out of position if they, at any place during the round, reach a par-3 hole that is open and free of play, or if they reach a par-4 or par-5 and have not played a stroke from the teeing area before the hole is open.

Should the first group off of the tee in any tournament not have a group immediately in front of them, the Timing Procedure as outlined below will be the sole application utilized to determine pace of play.

TIMING PROCEDURE

Once a group is determined to be out of position, players in the group may be timed. Other than on the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin when it is their turn to play, and they can play without interference or distraction. Time spent determining yardages will count as time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, timing will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to mark, lift, clean and replace their ball, repair their ball mark or other ball marks on their line of putt, and remove loose impediments on their line of putt.

A player is permitted 40 seconds to play a stroke and an extra 20 seconds (for a total of 60 seconds) will be allowed for:

- a. The first player to play a stroke on a par-3 hole
- b. The first player to play a second stroke on a par-3 or par-4 hole
- c. The first player to play a third stroke on a par-5 hole
- d. The first player to play a stroke around a putting green
- e. The first player to play a stroke on a putting green

Any player in a group being timed who exceeds the applicable time to play a stroke will be informed as soon as possible.

Once timing begins, the individual(s) may be assessed a penalty based on the guideline below.	
1st Offence	Warning - Referee warns entire group that they are out of position and on the clock
2 nd Offence	Penalty - Referee to assess a penalty of 1 stroke to the player deemed responsible
3 rd Offence	Penalty - Referee to assess penalty of 2 strokes to the player deemed responsible
4 th Offence	Disqualification – The player deemed responsible will be disqualified from the event

FINES

- 1st & 2nd OffenceNo Fine3rd Offence\$100 Fine
- 4th Offence \$250 Fine

GENERAL

In administering the Pace of Play Policy, the Referee and the PGA of Manitoba Tournament Committee are acting to improve the general pace of play for all PGA of Manitoba events. Additionally, we are working to ensure that our host courses do not see any negative impact from hosting an event.

In performance of these duties, a PGA of Manitoba Referee and members of the Tournament Committee shall not be subjected to abuse, oral or otherwise. Such abuse by a player is conduct unbecoming of a professional and is subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the Code of Professional Practice.

APPEALS

Any appeal of a timing penalty or fine must be referred to the on-site PGA of Manitoba Tournament Chair or the Executive Director immediately upon completion of the player in question's round. All decisions made by the Tournament Chair or the Executive Director in relation to the enforcement of the above policies by the Referee shall be final. If the player in question does not appeal immediately upon conclusion of his/her round, any penalties and fines shall stand.