

# Winnetka Men's Golf Club

## Pace of Play Guidelines May 1, 2022



### **12 Ways to Increase Your Pace of Play Without Rushing**

Your pace of play depends more on your readiness than the number of shots you take. No one likes to be considered a “slow player” nor do they want to feel rushed when enjoying a round of golf. The following techniques that help you keep your pace of play at or under 4 hours (which should not be a problem at the Winnetka Golf Club)

1. Be **ready to hit** when it is your turn to hit.
2. **Play ready golf** when appropriate (ie. Putt while another player rakes bunker)
3. Limit your **practice swings. Do it before your turn** so that when it's your turn you can just hit the ball.
4. Look over your putt while other players are putting. You should **be ready to putt when it's your turn.**
5. Putt instead of marking when you are **inside 2 feet**
6. Remember that USGA rules allow **3 minutes to search for a lost ball** (changed to aid pace of play).
7. If not in competition, use the **Local Rule for out of bounds and lost ball.**
8. **Walk to your ball with a club** or two while your cart partner plays
9. **Fix ball marks on the green** before or after it's your turn to putt
10. Always **be aware of the gap** between you and the group ahead. There should not be a gap of more than a half a hole between you. If you fall behind, announce to your group “we need to pick up the pace”. Do not be concerned with the group behind you as long as you are keeping pace with the group ahead.
11. **Leave your bag/park your cart** toward the back and on the side of the green that is toward the next tee
12. **Proceed without delay to the next tee** from the previous green. Mark your scores on the tee.