



MATCH PLAY PACE OF PLAY POLICY

The Tournament Committee at each competition will determine the maximum allowable time each group is permitted to play the round. **This time will be posted on each player's scorecard and each player is expected to maintain a pace faster than the maximum allowable time.** The round ends when all players in the group have holed out at the final hole or a hole/match has been conceded.

DEFINITION OF "OUT OF POSITION"

The first group to start will be considered out of position if, at any time during the round, the group is behind its maximum allowable time. Any following group will be considered out of position if it (a) is taking more than its maximum allowable time to play and (b) reaches the tee of a par-3 hole and the preceding group has cleared the next tee; reaches the tee of a par-4 hole and the putting green is clear; or reaches the tee of a par-5 hole when the preceding group is on the putting green. **Both (a) and (b) must apply for a group to be out of position.**

GROUP OUT OF POSITION & TIMING

If a group is out of position, a member of the tournament committee or staff will alert the group and issue them a pace of play warning. Players will be instructed to regain their position on the course. If players fail to regain their position within two holes, a member of the tournament committee or staff will time the group and each player in it. Each player in the group is expected to play any stroke within 40 seconds after timing of the player's stroke begins. Timing of a player's stroke will begin when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach their ball, it is their turn to play and they can play without interference or distraction.

PACE OF PLAY PENALTIES

The following are the penalties, in sequence, for any player in a group being timed who takes more than the allotted time to play a stroke after timing of the player's stroke begins. Any player that is assessed a bad time will be notified as soon as practicable of the warning or penalty.

One bad time exceeding the allotted time – Warning.

A second bad time – Loss of Hole penalty

A third bad time – Loss of Hole penalty

A fourth bad time – Disqualification

THE SCGA TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVIEW ALL PENALTY SITUATIONS.