2024 INDIANA GOLF PACE OF PLAY POLICY



DEFINITION OF OUT OF POSITION: The first group to start will be considered out of position if, at any time during the round, they exceed the time allotted to play, as detailed on the applicable Notice to Players.

Any subsequent groups will be considered out of position if, at any time during the round, they (a) exceed the allotted time to play and (b) reach a par-3 hole that is open and free of play, reach a par-4 hole or a par-5 hole and have not played a stroke from the teeing area before the hole is open and free to play. Both (a) and (b) must apply for a group to be out of position.

NOTE: The Committee reserves the right to time a group when the Committee deems it necessary. Further, if a player is determined by the Committee to be unreasonably slow, he/she may be timed individually at the Committee's discretion, regardless of whether his/her group is out of position.

TIMING: When the Committee determines that a group or an individual will be timed, all players in the group, or the specific individual, will be informed they are being timed. A group or an individual will be informed after leaving the teeing area and before any further strokes. Timing will discontinue when the group has regained its position. Any timing exceeding the allotted time to play will be carried over for the remainder of the round.

Other than on the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin when it is his/her turn to play, and he/she can play without interference or distraction. Time spent determining yardage will count as time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, timing will begin after the player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to mark, lift, clean and replace his/her ball, repair his/her ball mark and other ball marks on his/her line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as time taken for that stroke.

NOTE: A player is permitted 40 seconds to play a stroke, and an extra 10 seconds (for a total of 50 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-4 or par-5 hole; (c) the first player to play a third stroke on a par-5 hole; (d) the first player to play around the putting green; and (e) the first player to play on the putting green.

PENALTIES: Any player in a group being timed, who exceeds the applicable time to play a stroke, will be informed as soon as practicable and is subject to the following penalties in Stroke Play/Match Play competitions:

- FIRST OFFENSE: Warning/Warning
- SECOND OFFENSE: One (1) Stroke Penalty/ One (1) Stroke Penalty
- THIRD OFFENSE: Two (2) Stroke Penalty/Loss of hole
- FOURTH OFFENSE: Disqualification/Disqualification

EXAMPLE: Group B is out of position and over their time after three holes. A pace of play warning will be given to the entire group and will be allowed an appropriate amount of time to get back in position. If after the initial warning, the group remains out of position OR later in the round, the entire group will be put on the clock and timed individually. While being timed, if a player has a bad time, the player will be warned. If the player has a second bad time, during that timing process or any subsequent timings, the player will receive a one stroke penalty. The third bad timing during that timing process or any subsequent timings, the player will receive a two-stroke penalty/loss of hole. The fourth bad timing during that timing process or any subsequent timings, the player will be disqualified.

NOTE: All breaches of timings will count for that round only.