

WOMEN'S OKLAHOMA GOLF ASSOCIATION
Recommendations for Prompt Pace of Play

***A round of golf is meant to be played at a prompt pace.**

Each player should recognize that her pace of play is likely to affect how long it will take other players to play their rounds, including both those in the player's own group & those in following groups. **Players are encouraged to allow faster groups to play through.**

Pace of Play Recommendations

The player should play at a prompt pace throughout the round, including time taken to:

- Prepare for and make each stroke,
- Move from one place to another between strokes, and
- Move to the next teeing area after completing a hole.

A player should prepare in advance for the next stroke and be ready to play when it is her turn.

When it is the player's turn to play:

- It is recommended that the player make the stroke in no more than 40 seconds after she is (or should be) able to play without interference or distraction, and
- The player should usually be able to play more quickly than that and is encouraged to do so.

Playing out of turn to help pace of play

Depending on the form of play, there are times when players **may** play out of turn to help the pace of play:

- In match play, the players may agree that one of them will play out of turn to save time.
- This may be done by invitation of or agreement with the opponent(s).
- Any such agreement must be made for each separate situation and may not be a "blanket" agreement for the entire round.

- In stroke play, players may play "ready golf" in a safe and responsible way.

*From The Rules of Golf 2019, Rule 5.6b

Please familiarize yourself with the Pace of Play chart for each specific WOGA tournament and make every effort to avoid being "a pokey puppy".

As long as you are keeping up with the group in front, you will never have a pace of play issue.
ALWAYS LOOK FOR THE GROUP IN FRONT OF YOU, NOT AT THE GROUP BEHIND YOU.