



## Pace of Play – Player Information

The Western Pennsylvania Golf Association has adopted Group Pace of Play Guidelines for all 2015 WPGA Championships and Qualifiers.

As long as you keep up with the group ahead of you (**within 14:59**) your group will NEVER be in jeopardy of being out of position. Always look ahead – not behind.

Each group will be given a fixed amount of time in which to play the holes within each checkpoint. Times will be reflected on the scorecards. Each group will be required to complete each check-point hole based on the allocated time or within 14 minutes of the group ahead. Posted signs and clocks will be located on all check-point holes.

### **Check-points will be located at the 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> greens.**

A check-point will be considered missed if:

The hole is not completed (flagstick in the hole) within the allocated cumulative time and the group has not completed the hole **within 14 minutes of the group ahead**. If a group misses a check-point all players within the group will be informed by the check-point official as follows:

- Missed first check-point – official warning \*
- Second missed check-point – liable to a two stroke penalty

\*If a group clears the 1st checkpoint, but is out of position at the 2nd checkpoint, each player in the group is liable for a one stroke penalty if, in the Committee's view, a reasonable effort was not made by the players to complete their round within the allotted time for the final checkpoint.

If a group is liable to a penalty a player(s) may request a review before signing and returning his scorecard. A review will be successful if there is evidence the player was:

- Delayed by the Committee
- Delayed because of circumstances beyond the control of the player or group
- Delayed because of another player in the group

Review and application of the penalty will only occur in the scoring area, not during the stipulated round. Discussion of the situation with the check-point official will only cause further delay of the group.

A player concerned about a non-responsive (slow) fellow-competitor in his group, who is delaying play, should request a Rules Official to monitor the group in case the group is or becomes liable to penalty under these guidelines.

You, your fellow competitors and caddies can help by having your yardages and being ready to play when it is your turn.