



## 2026 Jacksonville Summer Team Pace of Play Policy

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 in the field to play their rounds, including both those in the players' own group and those following groups.

*Every group has an obligation to play in a timely fashion and self-monitor their pace of play.*

Pace of Play (taken from the USGA Rule 5). Summer Team players are:

1. Expected to start each round on time and play continuously and at a prompt pace during each hole until the round is completed.
2. When it's a player's turn to play it is recommended that she make the stroke in no more than **40 seconds and usually quicker than that.**
3. A player must not unreasonably delay play either when playing a hole or between two holes. (exception when injury or illness happens or outside influence impacting pace of play or discontinuation of play). Note: Cart Path Only - take several clubs with you. Cell Phones: Please stay off of them.
4. When 2 people are in a cart, the driver drops off their partner (with clubs) and moves to get into position to play their ball (providing this does not distract or interfere with another's play of the hole).
5. In Match Play (Rule 6.4a) players may agree to play "ready golf" in a safe and responsible way to get back into position. Player must announce their intention. You may invite your opponent to play out of turn, or you may ask your opponent if you may play out of turn, but announce it. Players must not make a general statement at start of round, 'we are playing ready golf'

**Penalty For Failure To Keep Pace of Play:** The Host Club (either through the Club Captain or Pro Shop Staff) has the authority to impose the following penalty for chronic slow play. If a group maintains an open hole between themselves and the group in front of them and has been warned twice, regardless of where they are, they may be asked to pick up their balls, and advance to the position on the course that puts them in the proper position. The Match Point for the holes missed must be split. (To record a score for any hole you are asked to pick up, use your equitable stroke formula).

*This penalty and remedy will affect the offending 4-some only. Any group following them will be provided a "grace" period to catch up in a timely fashion and will not be asked to pick up their balls.*

**Golfer Etiquette:** Be aware of your position on the course and when you see your group is out of position and playing slow - SPEAK UP & SPEED UP.

**Self-Awareness:** Reality check - review your pre shot routine. Get your distance, pick a club and commit to the shot. Drop off your partner at her ball, and go to yours. When it is your turn to play BE READY.