



Golf Etiquette

COURTESY ON GOLF COURSE

Golfers should always be aware of other players and respect their rights to enjoy the facility. Golfers searching for a ball should signal the players behind them to play through as soon as it becomes apparent that the ball will not be easily found. The rules of golf allow for five minutes to search for a lost ball.

A single player has no standing on the course. Faster players should always be allowed to play through slower groups without regard to the number of players in either game.

Do not move, talk and stand close to or directly behind a player addressing the ball. Do not play until those in front are out of range. When finished putting leave green immediately. Scorecards should be filled out on the next tee.

CLUB POLICY ON PLAYING TIMES

4 hours and 15 minutes is normal (times include an 8-minute stop at the Field bar).

Match and Handicap Committee has unanimously agreed that SLOW PLAY at Whitlock is unacceptable. Times between 4 and a quarter and 4 and one-half hours are deemed acceptable.

The starters will monitor the times taken between nines. The marshal will be monitoring the pace of play throughout the course. When a group is deemed to be playing too slowly AND holding up the proper flow of the course, their names will be submitted to a member of the Match and Handicap committee. Upon receiving these names, the foursome will promptly be contacted by telephone. After a second such infraction, a formal letter will be written. Any subsequent infractions will cause the players to be given "less preferred" starting times.

CARE OF THE COURSE

Only flat heeled or soft spiked golf shoes are permitted on the greens and golf course.





Please rake sand traps, replace divots or seed divot holes and repair ball marks on the greens. Replace the flagstick carefully to avoid damaging the cup. Never retrieve the ball from the cup with a putter.

Rakes may be placed in the sand traps at an easy to reach spot least liable to affect the play of golfers who will be following you during the day.

Please note the method recommended by the Whitlock Golf Club for replacing divots:

1. Replace the divot
2. Add seed and sand mixture around the edges
3. Compact the divot lightly with your foot

Two weeks have been allocated during the season for maintenance of greens during which time the regular operation of the course may be temporarily disrupted. Members are advised to confirm the status of the course with either the starter or the Pro shop.

All practicing must be done on the designated practice areas and putting greens.

Electric carts should be driven with caution - Maximum of two riders per cart. Please follow the circulating instructions posted on each cart. Avoid visibly soft or wet areas and keep carts a minimum of thirty feet from tees, greens and sand traps unless on designated cart paths.

Pull carts and power caddies are not allowed on fringe areas or between greens and sand traps.

CELL PHONES

Cellular phones must at all times be turned off or in silent mode while on WGCC property. Cell phones may be used in silent mode only (e.g., texting, email, surfing, Twitter, etc.). Voice communication by cell phone is limited to the designated areas, namely the locker rooms, the Whitlock Room and the parking lot.

