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Definition of "Out of Position"

The **first group** to start will be considered "out of position" if, at any time during the round, the group is behind the prescribed schedule as detailed on the official scorecard and/or addendum to the rules of play sheet.

Any **subsequent group** will be considered out of position if it (a) is taking more than the allotted time to play **and** (b) reaches the tee of a **par-3** hole and the preceding group has cleared the next tee; reaches the tee of a **par-4** hole and the putting green is clear; **or** arrives at the tee of a **par-5** hole when the preceding group is on the putting green. Both (a) and (b) must apply for a group to be out of position.

Group Out of Position

If a group or match is out of position, an Atlanta Junior Golf Official will monitor it. **Any monitored group will be notified before timing begins.**

Timing

A group may be monitored or timed for compliance with this Pace of Play guideline if it is out of position. When a group is out of position, a player is expected to play a stroke within 40 seconds. The timing of a player's stroke will begin when he/she has had reasonable opportunity to reach their ball, it is his/her turn to play, and he/she can play without interference or distraction.

Except on the putting green, if a player has reached his/her ball, it is their turn to play, and there are no distractions, timing will begin after he/she has had reasonable time to select a club. Any time spent walking backward or forward for determining yardages will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

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

Pace of Play Penalties

The following are the penalties, in sequence, for any player in a group out of position, who takes more than 40 seconds to play a stroke when it is his/her turn to play:

Stroke Play

One bad timing of more than 40 seconds: 1-Stroke Penalty
A second bad timing: Additional 2-Stroke Penalty
A third bad timing: Disqualification

Match Play

One bad timing of more than 40 seconds: Loss of hole
A second bad timing: Additional Loss of Hole penalty
A third bad timing: Disqualification

If the group in question regains its proper position, any previous timings of more than 40 seconds will be carried over for the remainder of that round or match in the event that the group or match requires additional monitoring.

Rulings or Other Incidents

If a ruling or some other legitimate delay occurs which causes the group in question to lose its position, that group is expected to regain its position within a reasonable time.

Note: As a general rule, par-3 holes should take no longer than 13 minutes to play, par-4 holes no longer than 15 minutes to play, and par-5 holes no longer than 17 minutes to play. Total time for a 9-hole round should not exceed 2 hours and 15 minutes, while an 18-hole round should take no longer than 4 hours and 30 minutes to complete.



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