

July 16, 2007

**To:** Contestants

**Re:** 73<sup>rd</sup> Connecticut Open Championship – Lake of Isles  
July 30, 31 & August 1, 2007

**Gentlemen:**

Congratulations on qualifying for the 73<sup>rd</sup> Connecticut Open Championship. Your starting times & pairings for Monday & Tuesday are enclosed. The pairings remain the same, but your starting time changes for Tuesday. We will be unable to make any changes to the pairings.

**Format:** All contestants will play 18 holes of stroke play on Monday & Tuesday. The players with the 40 lowest scores and ties will advance to 18 holes of stroke play on Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. The player with the lowest 54 hole total will be the Champion. In case of a tie for the Championship, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff immediately following the last stipulated round on Wednesday. On Monday & Tuesday, play will begin at the 1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> tees at 7:30am & 12:30pm. On Wednesday, play will be at 7:30am from the 1<sup>st</sup> tee only.

**REGISTRATION:** When you arrive at the club, please check in at the reception table, located on lower level patio in front of the Golf Shop.

**LOCKER ROOM:** The locker room, located on the lower level, will be open for your use at 6:00am each morning.

**CADDIES & CARTS:** Golf carts are mandatory due to the long distances between tee to fairway & green to tee.. Cost of a cart is included in your entry fee. Players **MUST** ride from green to tee & tee to Fairway. Then, if you bring a caddie, player or caddie may ride. **DO NOT** slow your group down when you walk in the fairway. This will be monitored closely.

**PRACTICE ROUNDS:** Please contact Robbie Lemming for arrangements (860)-312-2179. The contestants **MUST** contact him for practice rounds. The only available date for the South Course is July 16 after 4pm. The North Course is available starting July 16. Greens fees are courtesy of Lake of Isles. Cost of a cart during the practice round is \$22.00 per person.

**PRACTICE RANGE:** The practice range will be open at 6:00am. Range balls are courtesy of Lake of Isles

**PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES:** The attached pace of play guidelines will be strictly enforced. Please take time to read them. If you have any questions, please ask at the reception table.

**FOOTWEAR:** It is a condition of this competition that shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of the composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition: DISQUALIFICATION.

**FOOD & BEVERAGES:** Lunch will be served on the deck each day, between 11am & 3pm, courtesy of the TDBanknorth.

**CELLULAR PHONES:** Use of a cellular phone or similar device by a contestant or caddie during the stipulated round is strictly prohibited.

**DRESS CODE:** Contestants and caddies are requested to adhere to the following:

- Shorts must be Bermuda length
- Shirts must have a collar & be tucked in at all times
- Jeans are not allowed
- Hats are to be worn in a traditional manner
- NOTE: CT Section PGA members & apprentices are requested to refer to the CT Section TR &R on dress code

We look forward to seeing you on July 30<sup>th</sup>.

Good luck and enjoy the courses!

Best regards,

Malcolm McLachlan  
Director, Rules & Competitions

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**SEE ATTACHED DIRECTIONS & PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES**

# Connecticut State Golf Association Policies and Procedures

## **Policy #8 Pace of Play**

*adopted April 6, 2006*

*amended April 12, 2007*

The CSGA Pace of Play policy has been implemented to make contestants aware of their position on the golf course. The objective of this policy is to eliminate groups playing five-hour rounds. In no way is this policy meant to penalize players on the course. Players understanding the policy will become aware of their groups position on the course and over time begin to fix their own problems without an official putting the group on the clock.

**Time of Starting:** The CSGA directs that players should report to the starter ten minutes prior to their starting time to receive competition and course information. Rule 6-3a provides: "The player shall start at the time laid down by the Committee." The penalty for breach of Rule 6-3a is disqualification. However, it is a condition of the competition that, if the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play within five minutes after his starting time, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, the penalty of failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole in stroke play or loss of first hole in match play instead of disqualification.

**Allotted Time:** Allotted time is the amount of time a group has to complete a measured number of holes. All CSGA scorecards will have the pace of play identified on them. The time to complete 18 holes will be approximately 4 hours & 24 minutes, but will vary for each course. The OIC for each event will be responsible for communicating to the office any need for change in the basic pace of play schedule.

### **Out of Position:**

**FIRST GROUP ONLY:** If you are behind your allotted time at any timing station.

**ALL OTHER GROUPS:** Subsequent groups will not be considered "out of position" if any previous groups has caused the field to fall behind their allotted time. Any subsequent groups must remain within 14 minutes of the group in front of them. This is measured by having the flagstick in the hole within 14 minutes of the group in front of you.

### **TIMING CARDS**

There will be timing stations located at the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> hole of both nines and the possibility at the 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> hole. Groups will be timed at these stations and will be shown a card.

- Green card: The group is in position.
- Yellow card: The group has fallen "out of position" or is behind their allotted time and needs to catch up.
- Red card: The group has fallen "out of position" and behind their allotted time & will be subject to be put on the clock.

In lieu of a manned timing station, there may be just a clock for the players to compare their pace with the expected pace set forth on the scorecards.

## **ON THE CLOCK**

A group may be monitored or timed for compliance with this pace of play guideline if it is “out of position” and behind their allotted time. When a group is “out of position” every player in the group is expected to play any stroke within 40 seconds.

The timing of a player’s stroke will begin when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he can play without interference or distraction.

Except on the putting green, if a player has reached his ball, it is his turn to play and there are no distractions, timing will begin after he has reasonable time to select his club. 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 his ball, repair his ball mark and other ball marks on his line of putt and remove loose impediments on his 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.

**NOTE:** A player is permitted 40 seconds to play a stroke. An extra 10 seconds (for a total of 50 seconds) will be allowed for:

- a) The first player to play a stroke on a par-3 hole.
- b) The first player to play a second stroke on a par-4 or par-5 hole.
- c) The first player to play a third stroke on a par-5 hole.
- d) The first player to play a stroke around the putting green.
- e) The first player to play a stroke on the putting green.

## **PENALTIES**

Once a group has received a red card and put on the clock, the following policy will go into effect for each player:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bad Time - Warning from the official
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bad Time - 1 Stroke Penalty
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Bad Time - 2 Additional Strokes Penalty
- 4<sup>th</sup> Bad Time - Disqualification

Players are responsible for knowing their position on the golf course relative to their allotted time as well as the groups around them. Players should monitor and speak to individuals causing slow play. Players may ask for the group to be monitored without identifying an individual causing slow play.

## **Directions to Lake of Isles**

**Lake of Isles is located directly across the street from the main entrance of Foxwoods Resort Casino.**

### **From New York City**

Directions: Take I-95 North to Exit 92 in Connecticut. Turn left onto Route 2 West. Lake of Isles is eight miles west on Route 2. Drive time: 2 hours 30 minutes.

### **From Boston**

Directions: Take I-95 South to Exit 92 in Connecticut. Go straight at the stoplight. At the next stoplight, turn right onto Route 2 West. Lake of Isles is eight miles west on Route 2. Drive time: 1 hour 45 minutes.

### **From Hartford**

Take I-84 East to Exit 55 - Route 2 East. Lake of Isles is nine miles past Norwich on Route 2. Drive time: 50 minutes.

### **From Providence**

Take I-95 South to Exit 92 in Connecticut. Go straight at the stoplight. At the next stoplight, turn right onto Route 2 West. Lake of Isles is eight miles west on Route 2. Drive time: 45 minutes.

### **From Worcester**

Take I-395 South to Exit 85 in Connecticut. Go straight to the second traffic light and turn left onto Route 164 South. Follow Route 164 to the end, approximately seven miles. Turn left onto Route 2 East. Lake of Isles is 1.5 miles down on the left. Drive time: 1 hour.

### **From Albany**

Take I-90 East to Exit 4 (for US-5). Take I-91 South to Exit 30 in Connecticut. Take I-84 East to Exit 55 - Route 2 East. Lake of Isles is nine miles past Norwich. Drive time: 3 hours.  
If you have additional questions, please call us at 888 475 3746.