

## **PLAYERS EARLY BIRD LADIES GOLF LEAGUE PLAYING READY GOLF (Updated 2013)**

**Ready Golf means BEING READY to play, not playing when you're ready.  
Here are some simple rules:**

### **When You're on the Tee**

- Tee-off as soon as the group ahead is clear.
- Do not take more than two practice swings.
- Always carry extra tees and an extra ball in your pocket. If you have to hit a provisional ball, you won't have to go back to your cart to get one.
- After hitting your tee-shots – get going – don't spend time on the tee box chatting or practicing.

### **On the Fairway**

- All golfers should go to their balls as soon as possible and get READY to play their shots.
- While waiting to hit, golfers should SURVEY their shot, SELECT, their clubs, and STAND at their balls READY to step up when it's their turn.
- Never play in a caravan, moving as a group from ball to ball.
- When driving a cart, drop your partner at her ball and then continue to yours.
- Even on the 9<sup>th</sup> hole, you must count all your strokes. To be fair to everyone, you must tee off from the tee box on the 9<sup>th</sup> hole; carrying your ball to the drop zone and counting three is not allowed.

### **Looking for Lost Balls**

- It is important that all players help to find a lost ball in order to keep play moving.
- They need to do this AFTER hitting their shots, NOT BEFORE.
- Maximum search time for a lost ball is two minutes.

### **Entering and Exiting Greens**

- ALWAYS leave clubs at the back or side of the green closest to the next tee.
- To speed up play on the green, the golfer who is READY putts first and may putt out without marking.
- If you need to mark your ball, the marker is always placed behind the ball and the ball is placed back in front of the marker when it's your turn to putt.
- After all have putt, move quickly to the next tee and record scores.
- If there is a line up of players waiting to tee-off on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> holes, please wave them on once every golfer in your group has reached the green. When you putt, make sure you are playing your own ball.
- **Keep moving at a steady pace and the game will be more enjoyable for everyone involved.**
- **Aim to complete nine holes of golf in two hours and fifteen minutes.**