

## ***Welcome to Eisenhower Women's Golf Association (EWGA)***



***We will be playing at Compass Pointe until Eisenhower opens for the 2020 Season***

### **Important Tips:**

1. **Be sure you have given us your email.** Read the “**Procedures**” section on our website [www.azinet.com/ewga](http://www.azinet.com/ewga) . Notice that tee times and revisions to tee times are sent by email. Updates, results and information are also sent by email.
2. **Keep your handicap up-to-date.** You should record all scores for handicap purposes- including “the good, the bad, and the ugly”. Handicap questions should be addressed with tournament chair.
3. **Ask questions** if you are not sure about a procedure or a golf rule. We have a Rules chair to help answer questions. Send an email to her or feel free to ask your playing partners. Our goal is to promote golf and have an enjoyable time.
4. **Get involved.** Every week you are paired with different people; allowing you to get to know members. Join members after golf for lunch. All are invited and welcome. Help with events such as SWGA and our invitational. Be a weekly hostess—you can sign up with the tournament chair.
5. **Pace of play** is a very important issue. Read the following guidelines below:  
**READ “EISENHOWER LEAGUE RULES”** on our website. This will familiarize you with the course and help you when you encounter different situations. Knowing these unique rules help you enjoy your round more and helps with pace of play. **Remember to arrive at the course 30 minutes before your scheduled tee time.** We do not hold up play for late arrivals.  
**PLAY READY GOLF AND BE PREPARED**
  - a. Focus quickly on your next shot, in the fairway or on the green. Prepare while others are hitting or putting.
  - b. Use a reasonable pre-shot routine – one practice swing, set up, commit and hit. Anticipate! Take three clubs to your ball – the one you think is for the correct yardage, one longer and one shorter. As you approach the green, take your putter as well. This is very important to remember especially when it is “cart path only”.

#### **PACING YOUR ROUND**

- a. If there is a **hole open** in front of you, your group is “out of position.” Please work together as a group to increase your pace and narrow the gap between the groups. The USGA recommends **no more than 40 seconds** to hit a shot, which means from the time you are at your ball or on the teeing ground until you hit the shot. Use this as a gauge to assess if there is an opportunity to make any improvements to your pre-shot routine, and/or cart etiquette (talking, club selection, measuring, being ready to play when it’s your turn, etc.).
- b. Avoid “**swarming**” to search for a lost ball. **Hit your shot first** before searching for another player’s lost ball. Drop your cart mate at her ball and drive to your ball OR leave the cart, take a few clubs and walk to your ball.

- c. Get to your next shot quickly – DON'T WAIT to be driven or picked up.
- d. Cart riders should hit their balls while walkers are coming down the fairway. We have some places where walkers need more time. Give them a break by hitting so they do not feel rushed. We play ready golf.
- e. On the green, ask BEFORE YOU PUTT if you are playing out of order. First person to putt out is responsible for replacing the flag in the hole.
- f. Follow the flight of the shots of all players in the group.
- g. Take a provisional shot when your ball might be lost or out of bounds. Remember to announce it is a "provisional ball" prior to hitting the ball.
- h. Help others with course layout, yardage, raking bunkers, fixing divots and ball marks, picking up clubs and the flagstick.
- i. Mark the scorecard after you have moved to the next teeing ground.

#### **CELL PHONES**

We ask that if possible, turn off cell phones or put on vibrate. If you use a "ping" sound to notify you of text messages or emails, we ask you to silence this. Do not make or take calls during the round unless it is an emergency.

#### ***READY GOLF IS NOT RUSHED GOLF***

***It means you are prepared in advance of your shot, so you can make a smooth, unhurried stroke when it is your turn to play.***

Thanks for joining the Eisenhower Women League (EWGA). We hope you have an enjoyable season.