



## DEEP RIVER GOLF CLUB (1972) INC.

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### 1.0 Purpose

It is the stated desire of the Deep River Golf Club Board of Directors that optimal use be made of the course. In the past there have been issues regarding optimal use of the course when an event that did not have a full field ran with a shotgun start. The most significant issues have occurred when the event organizers have left many gaps in the field, making it hard for the pro shop to efficiently fit in others who want to play; this has resulted in many conflicts when the event participants are making the turn. The conflicts have resulted in aggravation for both event participants and those that the pro shop has tried to slot into empty tee times (this is particularly problematic when green fee players are involved).

This policy is intended to ensure that:

- All events are treated equally and fairly;
- The gap in the event field is predictable so that the pro shop can slot in other groups while minimizing conflict between the event players and those that have been slotted in.

### 2.0 Implementation

- a) **An event with a shotgun start should be at the beginning of the tee-times for the draw it is occupying.**

*Rationale: The DRGC runs 2 ½ draws on a normal day. The disruption to the other draws is minimized by starting at the beginning of a draw period.*

- b) **In filling the gap the pro shop is expected to leave space (nominally an open hole) between the event participants and the players being slotted in.**

*Rationale: This will maximize the number of players who may be slotted in and will act to reduce differences between paces of play of the event field and players who have been slotted in.*

- c) **Attempting to influence the pace of play by “pushing” against the end of the event field or attempting to play around or through the event are not permitted.**

*Rationale: Those slotted in are sharing the course with the event participants and are expected to behave in a manner consistent with this.*