

Test Your Knowledge of Golf Etiquette

1. The responsibility for driving and controlling a motorized golf cart belongs to:
 - a. The driver only.
 - b. The passenger only.
 - c. The driver and the passenger jointly.
 - d. The head pro.

2. A motorized cart should always be parked:
 - a. As close as possible to the ball being played without interfering with the shot being played.
 - b. On the opposite side of the fairway.
 - c. On the tee.
 - d. On the green.

3. In moving back and forth from a cart to the ball, the appropriate pace is:
 - a. A brisk, vigorous walk.
 - b. A slow, sauntering stroll.
 - c. A mad rush.
 - d. A crawl on hands and knees.

4. In preparing to make a shot, it is best to:
 - a. Take five or six practice swings.
 - b. Consult your opponent as to how to play the shot.
 - c. Have a strong drink to steady your nerves.
 - d. Limit your practice swings to one or two.

5. After making a shot, if there is a possibility that the ball may be lost or out of bounds, a player should:
 - a. Go directly to where the ball is thought to be.
 - b. Make a provisional shot.
 - c. Hit a mulligan.
 - d. Complain, curse, and throw the club.

6. After making a shot, a player should:
 - a. Slowly and carefully clean the club, replace the head cover, and put the club back in the bag.
 - b. Make several practice swings to figure out what went wrong.
 - c. Return to the cart quickly, holding the club until reaching the point where the next shot is to be played.
 - d. Pause and have a sandwich.

7. While waiting for another player to make a swing, you should:
 - a. Give your expert advice on how to play the shot.
 - b. Discuss strategy with another player.
 - c. Remain silent and still.
 - d. Make an important call on your cell phone.

8. While waiting for another player to play a shot, you should:
 - a. Remain far out of range of the player's vision.
 - b. Hum a pleasant tune.

- c. Stand close at hand, without interfering with the player, ready to hit when it is your turn.
 - d. Perform calisthenics to loosen up.
9. When another player is making a shot, the remaining players should:
- a. Watch the flight of the ball carefully to assist in locating the ball.
 - b. Prepare to make their own shots.
 - c. Offer helpful comments to the player.
 - d. Mind their own business.
10. The proper distance to be maintained relative the group ahead is:
- a. One full hole.
 - b. No more than a stroke and a half.
 - c. Unimportant as long as the next group is not waiting.
 - d. Two holes.
11. When encountering soft, wet areas on the course, carts should be driven:
- a. Into such areas to determine if shots can be played there.
 - b. As close to such areas as possible.
 - c. Straight into such areas to see if the cart will float.
 - d. At a reasonable distance from such areas to avoid damage to the course.
12. If a player makes a bad shot, the player should:
- a. Throw a club and curse.
 - b. Take a few mulligans.
 - c. Mentally review how the shot was made to detect any flaws in the swing.
 - d. Forget that shot, and move on to the next.
13. If a search for a lost ball takes more than two minutes, a player should:
- a. Allow the following group to play through.
 - b. Take as long as necessary to find the ball.
 - c. Give up, drop another ball in the vicinity of the lost ball, and continue play.
 - d. Give up, return to the spot where the last shot was made, and continue.
14. When driving a cart to the area of the green, the cart should be parked:
- a. Behind the green or at the point of exit from the hole.
 - b. At the first point reached near the green.
 - c. Near the next tee.
 - d. On the green.
15. Upon approaching the green, the first thing a player should do is:
- a. Mark, pick up, and clean the ball.
 - b. Tend the flagstick for other players.
 - c. Repair your ball mark.
 - d. Tread carefully on your opponent's line.

16. While waiting for another player to putt, the proper position is:
- Directly behind the player putting.
 - Directly opposite the player putting.
 - Moving from side to side.
 - Silent and still, off to one side.
17. While waiting for another player to putt, you should:
- Use the time to line up your own putt.
 - Pick up any loose debris lying around the green.
 - Make some noise to distract the player.
 - Repair ball marks.
18. In marking a ball on the green, the marker should be placed:
- Behind the ball without touching the ball until the marker is in place.
 - To one side of the ball.
 - In front of the ball.
 - Anywhere within the general vicinity.
19. In moving a ball on the green from the line of another player's putt, the correct procedure is to:
- Measure from where the ball lies.
 - Pick up the ball and remember where it was lying.
 - Mark the ball where it lies, measure, and move the mark to the measured spot.
 - Pick up the ball and later drop the ball in the general area where you think it was.
20. When tending the flagstick for another player, the best position to stand is:
- Close to the stick with your shadow falling over the hole.
 - At arm's length from the stick with your shadow falling over the line of the putt.
 - At arm's length from the stick with your shadow falling away from the line of the putt.
 - Directly behind the stick.
21. The first player to hole out on a green is expected to:
- Get off the green quickly.
 - Offer advice as to how to play the putt.
 - Tread gently on the other players' lines.
 - Stand ready to replace the flagstick.
22. After holing out on a green, it is good practice to:
- Review with your partner in detail how the hole was played.
 - Ask the others for scores and mark the card so you won't forget.
 - Immediately move to the next tee and mark the scorecard when you get there.
 - Pause and give a cheer for the best score on the hole.

Answers – 1. c.; 2. a.; 3. a.; 4. d.; 5. b.; 6. c.; 7. c.; 8. c.; 9. a.; 10. b.; 11. d.; 12. d.; 13. a.; 14. a.; 15. c.; 16. d.; 17. a.; 18. a.; 19. c.; 20. c.; 21. d.; 22. c.