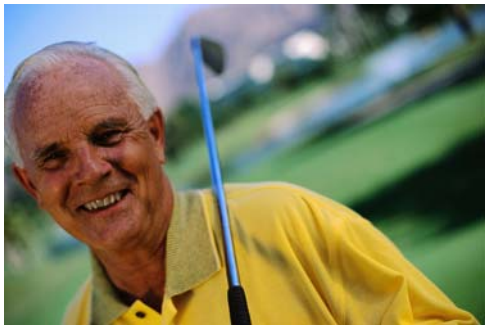
Environmental Etiquette For Golfers



Practicing environmental etiquette when playing the game is good for golf and good for our environment.

Golfers play a key role in ensuring that golf courses are managed in harmony with the environment. Encourage golfers to pledge their support the *nature of the game* by following these simple guidelines:

- Be kind to the course: repair ball marks and replace divots to help maintain playability.
- Walk, rather than use a cart, if health permits. Walking promotes physical fitness, healthy turf, and a clean environment.
- Look for consistent, true ball roll on greens, rather than speed. Lower mowing heights required for fast greens are at the root of many turf and environmental problems.
- Keep play on the course and stay out of natural areas. Respect designated environmentally sensitive areas and wildlife habitats within the course.
- Use trash and recycling receptacles and encourage others to do the same. If you see trash, don't pass it up…pick it up!
- Appreciate the nature of the game. Watch for wildlife as you play and support the course's efforts to provide habitat.
- Educate others about the benefits of environmentally responsible golf course management for the future of the game and the environment.
- Encourage the golf course be an active participant in environmental programs for golf courses, such as those offered by Audubon International.