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WBCA ANNOUNCES NEW SLOW PLAY POLICY — EFFECTIVE March 7, 2011

Players should strive to shoot within 45 seconds. Event officials will spot check matches for slow play (safety play excluded). Slow matches may be placed 'on the 45-second clock' by an event official, to determine if the cause is one or both players. If so, the event official may then warn one or both players to speed up play, and a ball-in-hand foul may be assessed. If the slow play is not corrected, or if a match is excessively behind the established benchmark, the event official may issue a one-game penalty to one or both players to bring the match closer to completion within the allotted match time. If a match is close to completion or would put one player/team on the hill, the penalty will be waived unless, in the opinion of event officials, a player is deliberately trying to distract the opponent by playing absurdly slow.

The following are established match benchmarks showing how many games should be completed one hour after the match begins. Game penalties may be assessed if these benchmarks are not met.

Master Scotch Doubles: Race to 7, 13 possible total games in 2 hours. 6 games should be completed within one hour after match begins.

Open Scotch Doubles: Race to 5, 9 possible total games in 2 hours. 4 games should be completed within one hour after match begins.

Master Women's Singles: Race to 6, 11 possible total games in 2 1/4 hours. 5 games should be completed within one hour after match begins.

Master Men's Singles: Race to 7, 13 possible total games in 2 hours 6 games should be completed within one hour after match begins.

Men's Open-A Singles: Race to 6, 11 possible total games in 1 1/2 hours. 5 games should be completed within one hour after match begins.

Women's Open Singles: Race to 5, 9 possible total games in 2 hours. 4 games should be completed within one hour after match begins.

Men's Open-B, Men and Women Seniors: Race to 5, 9 possible total games in 1 1/2 hours. 4 games should be completed within one hour after match begins.

Example: If after one hour the score of a Master Scotch match is 3 to 1 or 2 to 2 or less, one game may be assessed to one or both teams. If the score is 6 to 2 the match will not be advanced and will be allowed to play out. The game advancement will be for those matches that will not put someone on the hill or win the match. If they have played 6 games in 1 hour they do not have a problem.

Fairness to all players is of the utmost importance. Keeping the event on schedule is also important. The game penalty will be used only in extreme instances and in a very judicious manner to restore the match to its expected timeframe.

Good luck to all, and lets cream those Oregon pretenders!!
Chris, Ford, & Rose

