



Basic Guidelines for Tournament Play

* Rules of the game should always default to the 2018 version of the PDGA Rule Book. The latest version can be found on the Amateur Disc Golf website.

Safety First and Common Courteous

Always be aware and respectful of people around the playing area. Many disc golf courses are located in public parks. Right of way should always be given to park users. Please remember to remain quiet and avoid unnecessary movements while other players are throwing. It is also common throwing etiquette to stand behind and out of the eye line of the player who is throwing until the throw is complete.

Throws

Tee throws must be completed within the designated tee area. Subsequent throws are determined when a disc is released in order to change its position creating a new lie.

Order of Play

The playing order for the first hole is established by the order of names on the scorecard. Subsequent throwing order is established from the scores on the previous hole going from lowest to highest. After throwing, the player whose disc (lie) is farthest from the target throws first.

Excessive Time

The time limit for throws are not to exceed 30 seconds once a shot is marked and clear of distractions.

Marking a Lie

The lie is the spot where a previous throw has landed. Once a disc is thrown and lands it can be marked by placing a mini marker disc in front of it or by using the disc on the ground as a mark for the lie. When using a mini marker disc you are provided an 8-inch (20cm) by 12-inch (30cm) area to place your plant foot behind the marker disc.

Unplayable Lie and Lost Disc

Any disc that comes to rest 2 meters above the ground is considered an unplayable lie. The disc must be thrown from a lie on the ground, directly underneath the unplayable lie or relocated to avoid damage to the vegetation. Discs are considered lost after the entire group spends 3 minutes to try to find it. When a disc is not found the lie should be placed at the place it was seen.

Putting Area

Players must establish balance behind a lie when it rests closer than 30 meters to the target.

Out of Bounds Lie

A disc that lands out of bounds needs to be played from a point 3 feet in-bounds from where the disc went out of bounds. Event directors will address out of bounds areas prior to play.

Completing the Hole

Disc must come to rest in the chains or the tray of the target. Resting on top or the through the side of the target does not count and will require an additional throw to complete the hole.