



2010 Summer Short Game Series

Grip

- Shaft through the “lifeline” in your left hand
- Thumbs on the flat part of the grip
- Make a connection with both hands

Posture, Stance & Ball Position

- Putter should sit flat on the ground
- Eyes over or just inside the ball
- Harms hang straight down from shoulders
- Feet shoulder width apart
- Ball position in the middle to slightly forward in your stance

Green Reading & Alignment

- Most putts break away from the mountain or toward the valley
- Grain is the direction the blades of grass grow on the green
 - Down grain = fast and less break
 - Against grain = slower and more break
 - Across grain = ball breaks the same direction the grain is growing
- Determine high and low points on the green
- Learn from other player’s putts
- Once you have read the green, pick your line
- Use a line on your ball to align yourself to your target
- Hit all putts like they are straight

Stroke

- No motion, no weight shift during the stroke
- Arms, hands and club move together
- Keep the left hand even with or ahead of the putter head at impact with the ball
- Shoulders square throughout the stroke
- Hold finish position. No recoil after contact

Drills

- Determine the path of your putter with a roll of pennies
- Learn to control the speed of your putts by putting to the fringe
- Use Butch Harmon’s putting track to groove your stroke
- Don’t miss anything inside 4 feet