Elevated Golf Academy

Tip of the Month- Consistent Putting



A good player who is a great putter is a match for any golfer. A great hitter who cannot putt is a match for no one.

- Ben Sayers

Putting has been said to be the great equalizer of the game. As we watch the winners on the PGA and LPGA tour each Sunday, it's important to note that they are always at or near the top of the putting stats for that week. One of the great strengths that they have is their consistency on the greens.

Putting is one of the most individual aspects of the game in both technique and style. There are countless ways you can address the ball with various grips and stroke styles. There are also thousands of different types of putters that promise to help you drain more putts. In the end, the most important aspect of putting is consistency. If you can make a very consistent stroke, whether or not the technique is considered perfect, you will be able to predict the result more reliably.

To help you gain more consistency in your putting, I would like to share a wonderfully simple drill that you can do nearly anywhere. I like to call this drill the "crash" drill. Here it is step by step:

- 1) Grab your putter and 3 golf balls.
- 2) Without a specific target, setup and putt the first ball approximately 10 feet.
- 3) Do not watch the first ball roll out and do not move from your starting position.





- 4) Drag the second ball into the same position that you putted the first ball from.
- 5) Putt your second ball approximately 10 feet, watch to see if it "crashes" into the first ball. If it does, you have made a consistent stroke. If not, continue to putt until you can get the balls to crash into each other.
- 6) Continue to putt your third ball and move positions, repeat drill. **Objective:** Make consistent strokes so that the golf balls continue to "crash" into each other.

I have introduced this drill to many students with fantastic results. Always remember that your putting stroke does not have to be "perfect," it just needs to repeat. The beauty of this drill is its simplicity and the ability to perform it nearly anywhere.

We hope this helps you shave many strokes on the green. Please swing by to let us know if you have any questions. Visit our website at www.elevatedgolfacademy.com to see what we have going on and to schedule a lesson.