

Which driver length is right to get the most out of your tee shots?

More and more golfers are playing with the normal length driver shafts, but are they right for all players? The answer is well discussed but not with a clear-cut right or wrong decision.

Standard, off-the-rack drivers usually check in around 45 inches, while the USGA limits driver length to 48 inches for its competitions. So, why doesn't everyone max that out?

Several of our local club fitters have given their option on going with a longer shaft in your driver. The consensus is that while hitting a longer shaft a player may find more ball speed and longer drives, however the longer shafts makes it more difficult to hit the center of the club face. The more balls that are struck off-center, the more time you'll spend searching for tee shots in the rough.

Many golfers have still gone with the one-size-fits-all shafts, typically 45-46", but are choking down on the grip 2-3" creating less ball speed and distance off the tee. Drivers are set-up with the weight of the club head in proportion with the weight of the

shaft, gripping lower on the club defeats that balance.

Some higher handicap players are finding that going to a shorter shaft and playing the ball a little further back in their stance, similar to



swinging a 7-iron has produced longer drives and better direction control.

In many cases, players are also finding that the GX-7 can be used off the deck replacing the 3-wood with a descending blow gets the ball up faster and with excellent distance and control.

If you have a chance to try the GX-7 driver from Autopilot Golf, the 43" shaft may be the determining factor in your conversion from off-line, weak drives to an enjoyable longer drive in the middle of the fairway.

The GX-7 is the first club that strikes the sweet spot for loft, length and club head dimensions, making somewhere between a driver and a 3-wood.

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