



LOCAL RULES

These Local Rules are to be read in conjunction with the Rules of Golf. An abbreviated version is on the score card.

1. Out of Bounds (Rule 18)

Beyond the inside line at ground level of fence posts, white stakes with black tops or a wall.

2. Ground Under Repair (Rule 16)

- (a) All areas defined by white stakes and/or lines
- (b) Cultivated garden beds
- (c) Clearly defined wheel ruts
- (d) Washaways in bunkers and at the edge of bunkers
- (e) Seams of cut turf (but not for interference with stance only)
- (f) Tree root pruning trench lines
- (g) Areas within the rough where tree stumps have been ground.

3. Penalty Areas (Rule 17)

All penalty areas are defined by red stakes or lines.

Opposite-side relief: 11th and 12th holes: when the ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area between the 11th and 12th holes, as an extra relief option (also **one penalty stroke**), the player may drop the original ball or another ball on the opposite side of the penalty area using as the Reference Point the estimated point on the opposite edge of the penalty area that is the same distance from the hole as the estimated point where the original ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area. All other aspects of the relief area are as identified in Rule 17.1d(3) Lateral Relief.

4. No Play Zones - Penalty Areas (Rule 17.1e)

For safety reasons, the areas within the outer limits of the rocks within the penalty areas on the 5th (the small penalty area right of the path), 8th (in front of the tee and to the right of the green), 9th and 18th holes are **No Play Zones**.

- (a) **When a ball is within the No Play Zone**, the player must take penalty relief outside the penalty area using one of the penalty area relief options under Rule 17.
- (b) **If the ball is found within the penalty area but outside the No Play Zone** which interferes with area of intended stance or swing, the player must either: (i) take penalty relief outside the penalty area (as above) or (ii) take free relief in the following relief area if it exists in the same penalty area: The Reference Point is the nearest point of complete relief from the No Play Zone and the relief area is within one club-length and not nearer the hole than the Reference Point (Rule 17.1e in the full edition of the rules).
- (c) **If the ball lies in the general area** but the No Play Zone in the penalty area interferes with the area of the intended stance or intended swing, the player must either (i) take free relief (Rule 16.1b): Reference Point is the nearest point of complete relief in the general area and the relief area is in the general area and within one club-length and not nearer the hole than the Reference Point; or (ii) take unplayable ball relief under Rule 19.

5. Roads and Paths – Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16.1)

All roads and paths on the course, even if not artificially surfaced, are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1. The obstruction includes any artificial edging.

6. Dropping Zones

Dropping Zones are relief areas under Rule 14.3 and may be defined by (i) a white-lined box on the ground (relief area is inside the box); (ii) a Dropping Stake (relief area is within 2 club-lengths of and not nearer the hole than the stake); or (iii) an artificial turf area (relief area is the artificial turf).

Dropping Zones – Penalty Areas 5th, 8th and 9th Holes – If a ball is in or a ball not found is known or virtually certain to have come to rest in: (i) the main dam or small penalty area right of the cart path on the 5th; (ii) the penalty area in front of or to the left of the 8th tee; or (iii) the 9th hole penalty area; the player has these relief options, each for one penalty stroke: (i) take relief under Rule 17.1 or (ii) as an extra option, drop the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone.

7. Provisional Ball – Penalty Area 9th Hole

If a player does not know whether his or her ball is in the penalty area, the player may play a provisional ball under Rule 18.3, which is modified in this way. In playing the provisional ball, the player may use any of the available options under Rule 17.1d. Once the player has played a provisional ball under this Rule, he or she may not use any further options under Rule 17.1d in relation to the original ball.

In deciding when that provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play or if it must or may be abandoned, Rule 18.3c(2) and 18.3c(3) apply (see the full edition of the rules) except that:

- (a) **When Original Ball Is Found in Penalty Area Within Three-Minute Search Time.** The player may choose either to: (i) continue to play the original ball as it lies in the penalty area, in which case the provisional ball must not be played. All strokes with that provisional ball before it was abandoned (including strokes made and any penalty strokes solely from playing that ball) do not count; or (ii) continue to play the provisional ball in which case the original ball must not be played.
- (b) **When Original Ball Is Not Found Within Three-Minute Search Time or Is Known or Virtually Certain to Be in Penalty Area.** The provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play.

8. Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green (e.g. Sprinkler Heads)

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1. In addition, if a ball lies in the general area and an immovable obstruction is on the line of play and is within 2 club-lengths of the putting green and within 2 club-lengths of the ball, the player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.

Exception: There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

9. Golf Carts

The use of Golf Carts on the course is at the discretion of the Course Superintendent (or their delegate) and may be restricted at any time.

Cart exclusion areas include:

- (a) **Greens.** Golf Carts must remain outside the areas defined by black lines.
- (b) **Tees Blocks.** Carts must remain off the tees and on designated paths around the tee areas.
- (c) **Repaired Areas.** Cart must not enter newly repaired areas of the course or marked GUR.

UNLESS OTHERWISE DETERMINED BY A RULE, BREACH OF A LOCAL RULE IS THE GENERAL PENALTY (STROKE PLAY - TWO STROKES; MATCH PLAY - LOSS OF HOLE)