Murrumbidgee Country Club

TEMPORARY LOCAL RULES

Due to the Irrigation Project, the following Local Rules are in place from Tuesday 13th October 2026

1. **BALL IN MOTION DEFLECTED – Ball accidentally hits outside influence (e.g. Machinery, Equipment)**
   If a player's ball in motion hits any machinery or equipment directly related to the Irrigation Project within the general area, there is no penalty and the player must accept the result and play it as it lies (Rule 11.1).

   Exceptions to this Local Rule
   - If a player's ball, after hitting an outside influence directly related to the Irrigation Project, comes to rest within an area consistent with Local Rule 2 (see below), the player may take relief as per Local Rule 2.
   - If a player's ball comes to rest on or in an outside influence directly related to the Irrigation Project, the player may take relief without penalty by dropping the original ball or another ball at nearest point of complete relief, no nearer the hole (Rule 16.1).

   Note: If a player reasonably believes that their ball has become cut or cracked during the hole being played, the player may substitute another ball without penalty (Rule 4.2c).

2. **ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS – Equipment, Wheel Track Marks, Abnormal Course Damage**
   If a player's ball lies in or touches any abnormal course conditions directly related to the Irrigation Project (such as equipment on the ground, wheel track marks, abnormal course damage) within the general area, the player may take free relief and **DROP** the original ball or another ball on the spot of the nearest point of complete relief, no nearer the hole (Rule 16.1).

   Relief is Allowed
   - If a player's ball touches, is in, or is on the condition within the general area.
   - The condition interferes with your intended stance or swing.

   How to Take Relief
   - Find your **nearest point of complete relief**.
   - Measure a **one-club length** relief area from that reference point.
   - Drop a ball within that area.
   - The ball must land and stay in the relief area without being nearer to the hole.

   Note: If the abnormal course condition is close enough to distract the player but does not meet any of these requirements, there is no interference under this Rule.

3. TEMPORARY IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS (TIO) – Irrigation Machinery

If the player's ball is in the general area and there is interference (physical interference or line of sight interference) by a TIO, the player may take relief without penalty by dropping the original ball or another ball in and playing it from nearest point of complete relief (MLR F-23).

Reference Point: The nearest point of complete relief where both physical and line of sight interference no longer exist.

Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: The entire area within one club-length from the reference point, but with these limits:

- Must be in the general area,
- Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and
- There must be complete relief from both physical and line of sight interference by the TIO.

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