

# **Local Rules**

Local Rules are to be read in conjunction with the Rules of Golf and any Temporary Local Rules posted on the notice board outside the Pro shop.

## 1. OUT OF BOUNDS (RULE 27)

- i. All ground beyond the boundary of the course,
- ii. The Pro shop and concrete areas surrounding the Pro shop,
- iii. The pavilion next to the first tee,
- iv. The practice nets, and
- v. The green-side edge of the road running along the edge of the 12<sup>th</sup> hole.

# 2. IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS (RULE 24)

All hazard, G.U.R. stakes, distance markers, fixed sprinkler heads, safety fences, sand boxes, rubbish bins, tee markers, seats, bridges, machinery sheds, drainage pipes, sumps, brick, concrete walls, steps, cart paths and roads.

## 3. PREFERRED LIES

Preferred lies of 30cm may be taken on fairways. The ball must be marked prior to taking preferred lie and must be placed so it is no closer to the hole. The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

## 4. GROUND UNDER REPAIR (G.U.R.)

- i. All areas defined by white stakes and/or lines,
- ii. Bare patches on fairways,
- iii. Bare patches on the putting greens where the ball lies on the bare patch or the bare patch interferes with the line of putt,
- iv. Earthworks associated with improvements to the course,
- v. Except in a hazard, clearly defined wheel marks or ruts through the green which interfere with your stance or the lie of the ball.

Note: No relief is available from bare patches not on the fairway or putting green.

### 5. PLUGGED BALLS

Plugged balls through the green may be lifted and dropped.

# 6. OVERHEAD POWER LINES

If a ball strikes an overhead power line on the 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> holes, the ball must be replayed without penalty.

#### 7. STAKED TREES AND SHRUBS

If a staked tree or shrub interferes with the players stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief as provided in Rule 24-2b.

#### 8. GARDENS

Gardens, including edges borders, are deemed compulsory G.U.R. and from which relief must be taken as a drop, at the nearest point of relief not nearer to the hole.

- i. The planted area behind the 18th green is the only area on the course defined as a Garden.
- ii. All bark areas are integral parts of the course and you must play your ball as it lies subject to Local Rule 8.iii or take action under the unplayable lie rule.
- iii. If in the playing a shot on the bark areas, a staked plant or a plant less than 2 meters in height will be damaged by either your stance or swing, you must take free relief under Local Rule 7 so long as the relief is taken within the bark area.

#### 9. HAZARDS

Hazards and lateral water hazards are defined by red stakes and/or lines.

- Dam next to the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole.
  Players who hit their ball into the dam on the left side while playing the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole may take relief as per Rule 26.1.
- ii. Drop zone on the 4<sup>th</sup> hole.
  - Players who hit their ball into the dam or surrounding hazard while playing the 4<sup>th</sup> hole may use the drop zone on the left side of the dam. If the ball crosses the dam and rolls back into the hazard, the player may use the drop zone on the top right side of the dam.
- iii. Hazard on the 13<sup>th</sup> hole.
  - The hazard on the right side of the 13<sup>th</sup> hole extends to the access road for the entire length of the hazard.

#### 10. DROP ZONES

Where a drop zone is indicated by a sign, players may drop within 2 club lengths of the sign.

## 11. CALLING UP ON PAR 3s

Unless the action impedes the pace of play, players are required to call up the following group waiting on the tee when all players have reached the green on a par 3. Players must ensure they are behind the safety barriers when the group following is teeing off.

## 12. DISTANCE MARKERS

- i. Red marker post 100 metres to centre of green
- ii. Blue marker post– 150 metres to centre of green

#### 13. PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE

- i. Match Play Loss of Hole
- ii. Stroke Play 2 Strokes