



## LOCAL RULES, Additional to Scorecard

(Effective 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025)

These **ADDITIONAL LOCAL RULES** are subject to change so must be considered temporary. They are to be read in conjunction with the Rules of Golf and in a questionable situation override permanent LOCAL RULES printed on the scorecard.

Before commencing play, be sure to check Notice Boards and Scorecard content for updates to LOCAL RULES or changes to course conditions which might require your attention.

### **15cm PLACING on OWN FAIRWAY ONLY**

*NOTE: When taking penalty or free relief, **UNLESS** the relief area is on your own fairway, the ball must be dropped and played as it lies – no placing of the dropped ball.*

**BALL AT REST ON GREEN:** If a ball lies on an irregularity of surface created by maintenance (e.g. weed treatment, aeration) it may be placed at the nearest point of relief no nearer the hole. "*Line of putt*" relief can be taken from old hole plugs and/or alternate holes and any casual water.

#### **BALL [possibly] LOST OUT OF BOUNDS OR LOST OUTSIDE A PENALTY AREA:**

As an extra option: Do not play a provisional ball; instead, search for the ball and if it is not found, under a 2-Stroke Penalty, drop a ball within 2 club lengths, **on or behind** and no nearer the hole than **the line from the estimated point of loss to the closest playable position on your own fairway**.

**TREE STUMPS** in the GENERAL AREA, marked or not by Blue lines or stakes, which interfere with STANCE or SWING may be treated as an Abnormal Course Condition (G.U.R.). Tree Stumps in the Line of Play DO NOT qualify as G.U.R.

#### **HOLE #10 – The NO ENTRY area is a NO PLAY ZONE in a PENALTY AREA**

Playing from a No Play Zone incurs the General Penalty.

When a ball is in a NO PLAY ZONE in a PENALTY AREA, the player **must** take the 1 stroke penalty relief **outside** the penalty area under Rule 17.1d (2 club lengths lateral relief, stroke & distance or back-on-line).

**R&A / USGA DEFINITIONS referenced in these Local Rules:**

- The General Penalty in Matchplay is Loss of Hole, in Strokeplay it is 2 strokes.
- **The "GENERAL AREA"** is anywhere on the course EXCEPT
  - The teeing area of the hole being played
  - ALL Penalty Areas
  - ALL Bunkers
  - The putting green of the hole being played
- **"Own Fairway"** is the "closely mown area" between the teeing area and the green of the hole being played. Closely mown areas on **other holes** are part of the **GENERAL AREA**

**COURSE INFORMATION:** Be sure to check Notice Boards and Scorecard text for updates to LOCAL RULES or changes to course conditions which might require your attention.

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