

LOCAL GOLF RULES AND CLARIFICATIONS

1. When winter rules are elected by the committee, they shall be applied as follows. A ball lying in its fairway may be lifted and cleaned, without penalty, and placed within six inches of where it originally lay, not nearer the hole.
2. When your ball is in or near a fence, boundary stake, or a tree from which you have no right for relief; play the ball as it lies.
3. **BUNKERS - Ball in disturbed area: Interference exists only if the disturbed area in the bunker interferes with the player's lie or area of intended swing (such as a ridge in front of or behind the ball). There is no relief for interference with stance. Player may place ball within one club length of the nearest point of relief or maximum available relief within the bunker, no nearer to the hole. Please smooth bunker with your foot or club after play.**
4. **TREES** - All trees are in play except for those that are marked by a ribbon. If such a tree interferes with a player's stance or his swing, the ball may be lifted, without penalty, and dropped in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Rule 16 (immovable obstruction). The ball may be cleaned when lifted.
5. Mulch around all trees is in play (no relief)
6. Free relief can be taken from mulch, rocks and plants around all tee markers and in flowerbeds. Rule 16
7. **BEHIND #3 & #6 GREENS** - In the absence of a stake or white line, the nearer edge of the service road/cart path is the boundary line and extends to the east side of cart path for #4 tee on the south and the east corner practice area stake on the north. The right side of the cart path by #4 tee is out of bounds.
8. **FENCE LINES** - Out of bounds is always determined by sighting along the ground on the fairway side of the stakes and fence posts with no regard for the side of the stake on which the fencing is fastened.
9. **All tall grass (No Mow) areas are deemed Penalty Areas. This includes the walking/maintenance path within the no mow/tall grass.**
10. **All Penalty Areas are now marked and to be played as Red Staked Penalty Areas.**

If your ball is inside the Red Staked Penalty Area you have three options, each for a one stroke penalty. (see below Rule 17.1d) You may also play your ball as it lies in penalty area without penalty.

When it is known or virtually certain that a ball is in any red staked penalty area and the player wishes to take relief, the player has three options, each for a one stroke penalty.

1. *The player may take stroke-and-distance relief.*
2. *The player may take back-on-the-line relief keeping the reference point for where the ball last crossed the edge of the red staked penalty area between the player and the hole.*
3. *The player may take lateral relief. The reference point for taking lateral relief is the estimated point where the ball last crosses the edge of the red staked penalty area. The relief area is two clubs from the reference point, no closer to the hole.*

Drop Zones on #10, #11 & #13 may be used when ball is in Penalty Area around lake.

Ball must enter the Penalty Area around the lake past the drop zone, for drop zone to be used.

Exception: Ladies Drop Zone on #11 is located on green side of lake.

11. USGA rules apply to anything not covered by local rules. The tournament and/or Rules Committee may rule on any situation and make necessary interpretations.

12. The tournament committee will set the course for the following tournaments: Bombay, Calcutta, 6-6-6, Two Person Calcutta, and the Club Championship.
13. The tournament committee will review all tournament schedules and have the right to forfeit matches and render decisions on rules of play.
14. The tournament committee reserves the right to review and adjust the handicap of any player at any time during the season.
15. The Grounds Committee or designated personnel may prohibit play on the course and/or use of golf carts due to weather conditions. Under tournament or league play, the tournament committee may assume this responsibility.
16. Dangerous Situations: When play is suspended for a dangerous situation and the players in a match are between the play of two holes or in the process of playing a hole, they shall discontinue play immediately and not resume play until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play. Players shall resume play after their last completed hole.
17. PLAY IS SUSPENDED WHEN THE HORN BLOWS! STOP PLAY IMMEDIATELY. The penalty for the breach of local rule #16 is DISQUALIFICATION. Practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the event committee has declared them open for use.
18. AERATION HOLES: If a ball comes to rest in an aeration hole, the player may, without penalty, lift the ball and clean it. The player shall drop the ball as near as possible to where it lay, but not nearer the hole. On the putting green, the player shall place the ball at the nearest spot but not nearer the hole, which avoids such situation.
19. BALL ON WRONG PUTTING GREEN: For the purpose of Rule 13.1.
20. Students 18 years old and younger are only allowed to play in the Junior Tournament and Club Championship.

LOCAL STROKE AND DISTANCE RULE FOR BALL OUT OF BOUNDS OR LOST BALL

E-5 Alternative to Stroke and Distance for Lost Ball or Ball Out of Bounds

You can still take stroke-and-distance relief as you have in the past, but you now have the following additional option that comes with a penalty of two strokes.

- A. Determine Spot where your ball went out of bounds or is likely lost.**
- B. Find nearest fairway edge no closer to the hole.**
- C. Drop the ball within two clubs on either side of the fairway edge no closer to the hole.**

LOCAL RULE SPRINKLER HEAD CLOSE TO THE GREEN

1. The ball must lie through the green (not in a bunker or water hazard); and
 2. The immovable obstruction (sprinkler head) must be on or within two club-lengths of the putting green; and
 3. The immovable obstruction must be within two club-lengths of the ball; and
 4. The immovable obstruction must intervene on the line of play between the ball and the hole.
- If and only if, all of the criteria above apply for intervention on our line of play, then the player may lift and drop the ball within one club length from the nearest point of relief that is not nearer the hole, avoids intervention and is not in a hazard or on a putting green.

**Signage and postings at the club will supersede what is in
the yearbook.**