

# LOCAL RULES

## ● 1 Out of Bounds

All boundary fences

5<sup>th</sup> hole -On or over the line drawn between the white marker posts between the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> fairways.

7<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> holes- On or over the line drawn between the white marker posts located alongside the road.

13<sup>th</sup> hole -On or over the line drawn between the white marker posts between the 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> fairways

18<sup>th</sup> hole- On or over the road behind the 18<sup>th</sup> green.

## ● 2 Immovable obstructions Rule 24-2 Applies

The tunnel vent on the 14<sup>th</sup> fairway

All steps & guide posts

All paths & roadways within the course boundary

All white marker posts on the 6<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> fairways.

Slate boulders to the back and side of the 18<sup>th</sup> green

All information tee markers

All temporary fences

All litter/rubbish bins

## ● 3 Moveable obstructions Rule 24-1

“Stones in *bunkers* are moveable *obstructions* ( Rule 24-1 applies ).”

## ● 4 Relief without penalty

A ball lying in or on the obstruction, or so close to the obstruction that it interferes with the players stance, or the area of the players intended swing.

On any green where damage is encountered, either caused by vandalism or animals which interferes with play.

A ball plugged on any fairway, deep ruts made by green keeping machinery on any fairway, or coming to rest on any gravel path or internal roadway

A ball coming to rest on any rock outcrop on any **fairway** where damage to clubs is likely to be caused.

“Protection of young trees identified by a stake. If such a tree interferes with a player’s *stance* or the area of his intended swing , the ball must be lifted, without penalty, and dropped in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Rule 24-2b (Immovable Obstruction).If the ball lies in a *water hazard*, the player must lift and drop the ball in accordance with Rule 24-2b (i), except that the *nearest point of relief* must be in the *water hazard* and the ball must be dropped in the *water hazard* or the player may proceed under Rule 26. The ball may be cleaned when lifted under this Local Rule.

Exception : A player may not obtain relief under this Local Rule if (a) it is clearly unreasonable for him to make a *stroke* because of interference by anything other than the tree or (b) interference by the tree would occur only through use of an unnecessarily abnormal *stance*, swing or direction of play.

Under these conditions a ball may be lifted, cleaned & dropped one club length from the nearest point of relief, but Not nearer the hole.”

A ball coming to rest on the 1<sup>st</sup> green when playing the 18<sup>th</sup> hole, **must** be dropped in the marked area to the rear of the 1<sup>st</sup> green. If a ball is dropped, the ball must not be re-dropped if it comes to rest within two club lengths of the spot where it first struck a part of the course, even though it may come to rest nearer the hole or outside the boundaries of the dropping zone. ( Appendix1 ( 8f ) ).

When the slate boulders to the back and side of the 18<sup>th</sup> green interferes with stance or swing the ball **may** be Lifted and dropped in the marked drop zone. (Appendix 1 (8) ).

## ● 5 Tees

All tees are an integral part of the course

## ● 6 Competitions

In Individual Stroke Play, or Individual Stableford competitions playing the course or any part of the course on the day of the match or competition is not allowed . Contravention of this local rule will result in disqualification.

Distance-Measuring Devices;”For all play at this course, a player may obtain distance information using a device that measures distance only. If, during a *stipulated round*, a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. Gradient, windspeed, temperature, etc), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.”

As it is impossible to determine whether mobile phones have these facilities or not a blanket ban will be set.

This does not prohibit players from using their phones purely to make /receive calls or text messages.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2014 players can access reports on weather conditions on a smartphone during a round without Breaching the Rules

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**Please note recent amendments are in this colour**

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# WINTER RULES

## 1 “Preferred Lies” & “Winter Rules”

“A ball lying on a closely-mown area *through the green* may be lifted, without penalty, and cleaned. Before lifting the ball, the player must mark its position. Having lifted the ball, he must place it on a spot 15cm. (6 inches) and not nearer the *hole* than where it originally lay, that is not in a *hazard* and not on a *putting green*.

A player may place his ball only once, and it is *in play* when it has been placed (Rule 20-4). If the ball fails to come to rest on the spot on which it is placed, Rule 20-3d applies. If the ball when placed comes to rest on the spot on which it is placed and it subsequently *moves*, there is no penalty and the ball must be played as it lies, unless the provisions of any other *Rule* apply.

If the player fails to mark the position of the ball before lifting it or *moves* the ball in any other manner, such as rolling it with a club, he incurs a penalty of one stroke.

**Note:** “Closely-mown area” means any area of the course, including paths through the rough, cut to fairway height or less.

“If a player incurs the general penalty for a breach of this Local Rule, no additional penalty under the Local Rule is applied.”

## 2 Relief for Embedded Ball

“*Through the green*, a ball that is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground may be lifted, without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the *hole*. The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the *course through the green*”.

**Exceptions:**

1. A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if the ball is embedded in sand in an area that is not closely-mown .
2. A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if it is clearly unreasonable for him to make a stroke because of interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule.

## 3 Tine holes on greens

Relief without penalty can be taken for balls resting on/in tine holes on the green .

## 4 Repair of hole plugs

The player may repair an old hole plug or damage to the putting green caused by the impact of a ball, whether or not the players ball lies on the putting green. ( Rule 16 – 1 c )

## THROUGH THE GREEN

“*Through the green*” is the whole area of the course except :-

- a. The teeing ground and putting green of the hole being played ; and
- b. All hazards on the course.

# **PENALTIES FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULES.**

**Match Play :** "Loss of Hole"

**Stroke Play :** "Two Stroke Penalty"

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