



LOCAL RULES

(To be read in conjunction with the of the Rules of Golf effective January 2019)

1. OUT OF BOUNDS (Rule 18.2)

- (a) Those areas beyond the boundary fences of the course.
- (b) Those areas beyond the inside line of white stakes with **black** tops bounding the course.
- (c) The area to the right of the concrete edging of the cart path on the 8th and to the left of the 10th.
- (d) The clubhouse and carpark

2. PENALTY AREAS (Rule 17)

- (a) All Penalty Areas are deemed to be **Red Penalty Areas** and are defined by stakes with **red** tops, and/or red lines and/or, herbicide lines surrounding water holes.

Note – The stakes are immovable obstructions and are in the penalty area.

3. STAKED TREES (Model Local Rule E10)

As per (Model Local Rule E-10), free relief **must** be taken from any staked tree that interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing. The player must take relief under Rule 16.1f.

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

Note – The stakes or guards protecting such trees/shrubs are immovable obstructions.

4. IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS (Rule 16.1)

The following are classified as immovable obstructions:

- (a) All Penalty Area stakes, GUR stakes, tee markers, tee signs, seats, chain barriers, tree guards, tree stakes, sand bins and all buildings on the course.
- (b) **Roads and Pathways** – Only those clearly defined by concrete edges or are artificially surfaced with concrete, bitumen or decomposed granite surfaces are classified as immovable obstructions. Worn areas, even if they are tracks made by carts, are not covered by this local rule.
- (c) **Road to right of 5th green** – A ball coming to rest on this road may be lifted and dropped in the nearest drop zone.
- (d) **Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction** (e.g. sprinkler head) may be taken under Rule 16.1.

The player also has the extra option to take relief when such immovable obstructions are close to the putting green and on the line of play:

Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is on the line of play, and is within two club-lengths of the putting green, and within two club-lengths of the ball. (Model Local Rule F-5)

Exception - No Relief If Line of Play Clearly Unreasonable. There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

- (e) **V Drain on 3rd, 4th and 18th holes**

This drain is classified as an immovable obstruction. The margins of the obstruction are defined by the outer edge of the concrete.

Relief for a ball that enters the water in this drain is to be taken at the point of entry into the water.

- (f) **Plastic root barriers** – relief may be taken if the barrier interferes with players swing. (holes 2, 4, 16, 17 & 18) Free relief may not be taken from root barriers within a penalty area.

5. GROUND UNDER REPAIR (Rule 25)

- (a) Those areas as defined by white lines, white stakes, or appropriate signage.
- (b) All garden beds with clearly defined (i.e. brick, concrete, rock or timber) borders, or a neatly maintained defined edge, afford a compulsory drop without penalty, except where the garden is within the bounds of a penalty area.
- (a) Areas in a bunker obviously damaged by kangaroos. Drop, in bunker, at nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole.

6. ALTERNATIVE TO STROKE AND DISTANCE FOR LOST BALL OR BALL OUT OF BOUNDS

(Model Local Rule E-5)

As per (Model Local Rule E-5) if a player's ball is lost or out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows. For two penalty strokes, the player may take relief by dropping a ball at the point on the fairway of the hole being played that is nearest to the ball reference point but is not nearer the hole.

The Ball Reference Point is the point where the original ball, if lost, is estimated to have come to rest on the course, or if out of bounds, last crossed the edge of the course boundary to go out of bounds.

Exception - A player may not use this option to take relief for the original ball when the original ball is known or virtually certain to have come to rest in a penalty area, or the player has played a provisional ball. A player may use this option to take relief for a provisional ball that has also been lost or is out of bounds.

Player Information

Distance Markers

All Distance markers are to the centre of the green and can also be found on a number of sprinkler heads.

Flag Positions -	Yellow-	Front third of green.
	Red-	Middle third of green
	White-	Back third of green