

2019 LOCAL RULES

USGA RULES GOVERN ALL PLAY EXCEPT WHERE MODIFIED BY THE LOCAL RULES BELOW.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, THE PENALTY FOR A BREACH OF A LOCAL RULE IS TWO STROKES.

SAND WASTE AREAS:

Sand waste areas identified below are in the *general area* and are not bunkers (hazards). Blue stakes identify these areas.

NICKLAUS COURSE: #8, the large sand area to the right of the fairway; #16, the large sand area to the left of the fairway;

FAZIO COURSE: #16, the sand area left of the fairway and green; #18 the sand areas in front of #18 tee.

ORNAMENTAL FLOWER BEDS:

Ornamental flowerbeds are in the *general area*.

OUT OF BOUNDS:

The inside edge of 2"x2" white stakes at ground level define course boundaries with the following exceptions:

NICKLAUS COURSE: the inside edge of the road or curb on holes #4, #6, #10 AND #14 is Out of Bounds.

FAZIO COURSE:

1. ALL property line fencing;
2. The inside edge of the road on holes #8 and #9. (Any ball that comes to rest on or across the road is out of bounds.)

Note that there are 2"x2" white stakes to the left of **HOLE #7** but nowhere else on the course.

OBSTRUCTIONS:

Guys and stakes on established trees are considered *immovable obstructions*.

INTEGRAL OBJECTS :

- A. Retaining walls when located in *penalty areas*
- B. Wires and other objects (closely) attached to trees
- C. ...

PENALTY AREAS:

- A. YELLOW PENALTY AREAS are defined by yellow lines and stakes.
- B. RED PENALTY AREAS are defined by red lines and stakes.
- C. AT THE NICKLAUS COURSE, **DROP ZONES** are provided on **holes #3, #12, #15 and #17** as an additional option at any time a ball last crossed the margin of the YELLOW PENALTY AREA ONLY (yellow stakes and lines).
- D. AT THE FAZIO COURSE, **DROP ZONES** are provided on **holes #6, and #13** as an additional option at any time a ball last crossed the margin of the YELLOW PENALTY AREA ONLY (yellow stakes and lines). On #10, as an additional option, when the ball enters the red penalty area to the left of the fairway a DROP ZONE is provided on the front tee nearest the penalty area.
- E. The penalty areas identified below are marked with red stakes and/or lines. Where the boundary of these areas is identified as the edge of a cart path with the cart path not in the penalty area, the relief area is to be determined using the opposite (fairway) side of the cart path.

FAZIO COURSE:

#18: the area to the left (east) of the outside edge of the cart path as marked with red stakes and/or lines.

#17: the area to the right (south) of the outside edge of the cart path as marked with red stakes and/or lines.

NICKLAUS COURSE: #15??? Left penalty area...should it tie into OB?

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS NEXT TO PUTTING GREEN

As an additional option, the player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is on the *line of play* and is:

- A. Within two club-lengths of the putting green, and
- B. Within two club-lengths of the ball, and
- C. Both the *immovable obstructions* and the ball are in part of the *general area* cut to fairway height or less.

Exception: A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS:

(GROUND UNDER REPAIR—RULE 25)

- A. Areas encircled with a white line.
- B. Raised tree wells with a white line ONLY.
- C. All tree stumps.
- D. Tree and tree stump removal sites where abnormal ground conditions exist (this includes all areas damaged during tree or stump removal).
- E. Fire ant beds or mounds.
- F. Areas in bunkers and "sand waste areas" where sand has been removed by the movement of water resulting in deep furrows through the sand.
- G. Relief for lie of the ball or area of intended swing ONLY: (RELIEF FOR STANCE IS DENIED)
 - 1) Animal damage when located in the *general area*. (Example: deer tracks and other types of damage)
 - 2) Seams of cut turf when located in the *general area* which are not within a white line.
- H. **Lined newly sodded areas** are deemed to be "no play zones". The player **must** take complete relief per Rule 16.1b.

Exception: A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if it is clearly unreasonable for him to play a stroke because of interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule.

CLEANING BALL:

When wet soil conditions may cause mud to stick to the ball, the Committee may choose to allow players to lift, clean and **replace** the ball in the *general area* or specify those areas of the course where this relief applies. **Only when the Committee deems that conditions exist to offer relief**, will the following local rule be put in effect:

"When a player's ball lies in the *general area* of the golf course cut to fairway height or less, the ball may be lifted, cleaned and replaced without penalty. The player must mark the spot before lifting the ball (see Rule 14.1) and the ball must be replaced on its original spot (see Rule 14.2)."

PREFERRED LIES:

Only when the Committee deems that conditions exist to offer relief, will the following local be put in effect:

"When a player's ball lies in the *general area* of the golf course covered by grass which is cut to the height of the rough known as the "second cut" or less, the player may take free relief **once** by placing the original ball or another ball within one club-length of the reference point (original position of the ball), no nearer the hole and not in another condition. This spot must be within the *general area*."

AERATION HOLES:

At certain times, aeration holes may significantly interfere with the lie of the ball. **Only when the Committee deems that conditions exist to offer relief**, will the following local be put in effect:

"If a players ball lies in or touches an aeration hole:

- (a) **Ball in the General Area.** The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole, the player may take relief again under this Local Rule.
- (b) **Ball on Putting Green.** The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.

DANGEROUS WEATHER CONDITIONS:

When play is suspended by the Committee for a dangerous situation (such as lightning), all players must discontinue play immediately and not resume until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play. If a player fails to discontinue play immediately, **he is disqualified**, unless circumstances warrant waiving the penalty as provided in Rule 33-7.

DISCONTINUE PLAY IMMEDIATELY:

**ONE PROLONGED NOTE OF THE
THORGUARD SIREN**

RESUME PLAY:

**THREE CONSECUTIVE NOTES
OF THE THORGUARD SIREN**

**DURING ANY SUSPENSION OF PLAY, ALL OF THE GOLF
COURSE, PRACTICE AREAS AND HITTING BAYS IN THE
NICKLAUS GOLF HOUSE ARE CLOSED.**

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