

LOCAL RULES

Distance Measuring Devices:

For all play at this course, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. However, 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, wind-speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

Out of Bounds (Rule 27):

A ball is out of bounds if the ball lies:

- (a) Beyond any fence bounding the Course.
- (b) On or beyond any public roads.
- (c) Beyond the white posts bordering the River Earn.
- (d) Beyond the Thorter Burn which runs parallel to the 17th hole, when playing the 17th and 18th hole.
- (e) Beyond the white stakes at the left side of the 6th hole.

Water Hazards (Rule 26):

The following are deemed to be Lateral Water Hazards:

- (a) The parallel burn between the 4th/12th holes.
- (b) The ditches running parallel to the 12th, 13th and 16th hole.
- (c) The ponds at the 4th and 11th greens.
- (d) The parallel burn at the 17th hole.
- (e) That part of the River Earn that is not Out of Bounds.

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N.B. Lateral Water Hazards are marked with red posts.

Other Water Hazards are marked with yellow posts.

Stones in Bunkers (Rule 24):

Stones in Bunkers are movable obstructions. Rule 24(1) applies.

Immovable Obstruction (Rule 24):

All paths, bridges, protective screens, rubble drains, drain gully pots, marker pole at 3rd, posts marking lateral water hazards, water hazards, fixed signage and fixed distance markers on the tees and fairway are deemed immovable obstructions and relief is available under Rule 24.2. The ball may be cleaned when so lifted.

Fixed Sprinkler Heads, Hydrant Covers and Irrigation Control Boxes:

All fixed sprinkler heads are immovable obstructions and relief from interference by them may be obtained under Rule 24.2. In addition, if such an obstruction on or within two club-lengths of the putting green of the hole being played intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole, the player may obtain relief, without penalty, as follows:

If the ball is off the putting green, but not in a hazard and is within two club-lengths of the intervening obstruction, it may be lifted, cleaned and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay which (a) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids such intervention and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be cleaned when so lifted.

Ground Under Repair (Rule 25):

Play is prohibited from all areas marked with white lines which are deemed “Ground Under Repair.” Relief must be taken as described under Rule 25.1b. The ball may be cleaned when so lifted.

Aeration Holes:

Through the green, a ball which comes to rest in or on an aeration hole may be marked, lifted, cleaned and dropped, without penalty, as near to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole. The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the course through the green. If the ball when dropped comes to rest in the same or other aeration hole, it may be re-dropped without penalty. On the *putting green*, a ball that comes to rest in or on an aeration hole may be placed at the nearest spot not nearer the hole that avoids the situation.

Staked and Supported Trees:

If such a tree interferes with a player’s *stance* or the area of intended swing, the ball must be lifted without penalty, and dropped in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Rule 24-2b (Immovable Obstruction). 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 them 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.

Flagpole in field adjacent to 16th tee:

If a ball strikes the flag and/or flagpole, **the stroke is cancelled and replayed without penalty**. The player **must** play a ball as nearly as possible to the spot from which the original ball was played in accordance with Rule 20-5 (Making Next Stroke from Where Previous Stroke Made). If the original ball is not immediately recoverable, another ball may be substituted.

Ground Under Repair – Any deep depression made by tractors or other green-keeping equipment:

If a player’s ball lies in such a condition, the player may take relief as described under Rule 25-1. There is no relief from player’s stance or area of intended swing.

Boundary Stakes at 6th/8th :

The boundary stakes between the 6th and 8th holes are deemed as Immovable Obstructions when playing the 8th hole. Relief is available per Rule 24-2b.

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.

Temporary Local Rule

“Through the green on the first, twelfth, seventeenth or eighteenth holes, a ball lying on an area damaged by the ongoing drainage works may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped within one club length of the nearest point of relief.” The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the course *through the green*. The nearest point of relief must not be in a hazard or on a putting green.

Information of Temporary Local Rules:

These will be posted as appropriate on the notice board outside the Professional Shop.

Please note that it is the responsibility of each player to be aware of these Local Rules

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE:

Match play – Loss of hole; Stroke play – Two strokes.”

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