

LOCAL RULES

1. Heavily sanded areas will be considered Abnormal Ground Conditions. If all fellow players agree, the member will be allowed relief under rule 16.1b by dropping the original ball, or another ball, in the relief area.

2. Players will be allowed relief for a ball that has settled in a plug hole. Under Abnormal Ground Conditions player takes relief under rule 16.1b by dropping in the relief area. Model local rule E-4: If the ball is in the General Area, the player may take relief under 16.1b. If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole, the player may take relief again under this local rule. If the ball is on the Putting Green, relief is again allowed under 16.1b, but interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance, or on the player's line of play.

3. When winter rules are in effect, players are allowed to lift, clean and place their ball within one club length on the fairway, and within six inches in the rough.

4. Players are entitled to relief from Immovable Obstructions close to the Putting Green (e.g. a sprinkler head) defined by 16.1.

Under Model Local Rule F-5 "The player also has these extra options to take relief when such immovable obstruction is:

On the line of play, and is:

Within 2 club lengths of the putting green, and within 2 club lengths of the ball.

Exception: No relief if line of play is clearly unreasonable. There is no relief under the local rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

The ball must be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay that (a) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids intervention, and (c) is not in a hazard or on the putting green. The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

5. Per model local rule E-5, as an alternative to the stroke and distance penalty for lost or out-of-bounds, you may instead take a drop. You add 2 strokes for using this rule. You will be hitting 4, as you would be if you take the stroke and distance penalty.

- a. Determine, as near as possible, the point where your ball entered the area when it became lost or went out-of-bounds (Ball reference point)
- b. Find the point closest to that spot on the edge of the fairway no closer to the hole. (Fairway reference point)
- c. Measure 2 club lengths from either reference point (this includes 2 club lengths into the fairway)
- d. Find the flag on the green and extend that line to both reference points plus 2 club lengths and back as far as you wish on that line.
- e. Drop anywhere behind and between those points in the GENERAL AREA.
 - This option cannot be used if you have played a provisional ball as your relief option.
 - This rule DOES NOT apply to a ball lost in a red or yellow PENALTY AREA.
 - It is important to remember that following this rule is optional on any hole during the round.