

## **LOCAL RULES**

**with effect from Tuesday 12 May 2026**

### **OUT OF BOUNDS:**

Out of bounds is defined as:

- On or beyond the white line and/or white posts: on all paths, artificial or paved, surrounding the Clubhouse, or leading to the Professional shop and down to the trolley shed at the first tee, the car park and practice areas.
- All boundary fences and hedges of the course. Where the out of bounds is defined by a hedge, the boundary line is deemed to be the inside line of the hedge trunks at ground level.

The white posts with black tops to the rear of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> greens and to the left of the 3<sup>rd</sup> green indicate nearby out of bounds and are movable obstructions.

### **PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES:**

Young trees identified by stakes are no play zones. If a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a penalty area and it lies on or touches such tree or such a tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player must take relief under Rule 16.1f.

### **RELIEF FROM TREE ROOTS IN FAIRWAY:**

If a player's ball on, or within two club lengths of, the fairway has interference from exposed tree roots, free relief is available under Rule 16.1b. But interference does not exist if the tree roots only interfere with the player's stance.

### **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS CLOSE TO PUTTING GREEN:**

In addition to the types of interference described in Rule 16.1a, when a ball lies in the general area, interference also exists if an immovable obstruction, such as a fixed sprinkler head, is on the player's line of play, is within two club-lengths of the putting green and is within two club-lengths of the ball. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b. (Exception-There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.)

### **NO PLAY ZONES (NPZ)**

Any area of Ground Under Repair is a no play zone when encircled by a white line, and also identified with a blue stake. Complete relief must be taken under 16.1f.

### **SUSPENSION OF PLAY:**

A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signalled by one long blast of a klaxon horn. All other suspensions will be signalled by two short blasts of a klaxon horn. In either case, resumption of play will be signalled by multiple blasts of a klaxon horn.

### **ROBOTIC MOWERS**

The robotic mower is an Outside Influence, relief is available under Rules 9.6, 11.1b(1) and 16.1.

### **DECORATIVE PLANTED AREAS**

Decorative planted areas on the course bordered by immovable obstructions (logs), including everything growing within the area, are to be treated as a single abnormal course condition from which play is prohibited and relief must be taken under Rule 16.1f.

### **ROPES AND STAKES**

All ropes and supporting stakes are moveable obstructions.

## **GPS REPEATER SUPPORT TELEGRAPH POLES**

The GPS Repeater supporting telegraph poles positioned around the course are immovable obstructions. If a player's ball touches such pole, or such pole interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing (but not the line of play), the player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.

## **AERATION/VERTI DRAIN HOLES**

If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole:

- Ball in 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.
- Ball on Putting Green. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.

But interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing or, on the putting green, on the player's line of play.

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