



Eaglewood Golf Course

Local Rules Sheet

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Definitions for Reference in this document:

No Play Zone - A part of the course where the Committee has prohibited play. A no play zone must be defined as part of either an abnormal course condition or a penalty area

General Area - The area of the course that covers all of the course except for the other four defined areas: (1) the teeing area you must play from in starting the hole you are playing, (2) all penalty areas, (3) all bunkers, and (4) the putting green of the hole you are playing. The general area includes all teeing locations on the course other than the teeing area, and all wrong greens.

General Penalty - Loss of hole in match play or two penalty strokes in stroke play.

The following conditions and/or situations should be played as follows:

Wood Chips

All wood chip beds around the course are to be considered no play zones and free relief should be taken according to Rule 16.1

Natural Areas

- **All Natural Areas that are not a perimeter boundary to Eaglewood** – play as a RED Penalty Area and proceed under rule 17.1 Penalty Areas. [All golf carts, both riding and pushcarts, are prohibited from entering all natural areas. You may enter the natural areas on foot to locate your golf ball. If you find your golf ball you may play from the natural area with no penalty. If you do not choose to play from that area or if you cannot find your golf ball (and are virtually certain your ball went into the natural area) you may take a one stroke penalty and drop the ball two club lengths from the point at which it last crossed into the red penalty area.] The edge of the area is defined by the obvious difference in the height of cut from the rough – if you need help defining what that is confer with your fellow competitor or rules official or proceed under Rule 20.1 and play two balls and get a ruling before posting your score. – *Golf Carts (ride and push) are strictly prohibited from entering these areas*

Penalty for not following the above local rule: General Penalty

Provisional Ball for Ball in a Penalty Area – Local Rule B-3

If a player does not know whether his or her ball is in the penalty area [identify location], the player may play a provisional ball under Rule 18.3, which is modified in this way:

In playing the provisional ball, the player may use the stroke-and-distance relief option (see Rule 17.1d(1), the back-on-the-line relief option (see Rule 17.1d(2)) or, if it is a red penalty area, the lateral relief option (see Rule 17.1d(3)). If a dropping zone (see Model Local Rule E-1) is available for this penalty area, the player may also use that relief option.

Once the player has played a provisional ball under this Rule, he or she may not use any further options under Rule 17.1 in relation to the original ball.

In deciding when that provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play or if it must or may be abandoned, Rule 18.3c(2) and 18.3c(3) apply except that:

- When Original Ball Is Found in Penalty Area Within Three-Minute Search Time. The player may choose either to:
 - Continue to play the original ball as it lies in the penalty area, in which case the provisional ball must not be played. All strokes with that provisional ball before it was abandoned (including strokes made and any penalty strokes solely from playing that ball) do not count, or
 - Continue to play the provisional ball in which case the original ball must not be played.
- When Original Ball Is Not Found Within Three-Minute Search Time or Is Known or Virtually Certain to Be in Penalty Area. The provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play.

Penalty for not following the above local rule: General Penalty

Prohibiting Play from Fringe of Wrong Green – Local Rule D-4

When playing [specify hole number], if the player must take relief under Rule 13.1f because his or her ball came to rest on the putting green of [specify hole number] or that putting green interferes with his or her stance or area of intended swing:

- In finding the relief area to be used when taking this relief, the putting green of [specify hole number] is defined to include the area of fairway within [specify distance such as two club-lengths] from the edge of the putting green.
- This means that the nearest point of complete relief must avoid interference from this area in addition to the putting green.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a.

Alternative to Stroke and Distance for Lost Ball or Ball Out of Bounds – Local Rule E-5

When a player's ball has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows rather than proceeding under stroke and distance.

For two penalty strokes, the player may take relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this relief area (see Rule 14.3):

Two Estimated Reference Points:

a. Ball Reference Point: The point where the original ball is estimated to have:

- Come to rest on the course, or
- Last crossed the edge of the course boundary to go out of bounds.

b. Fairway Reference Point: The point of fairway of the hole being played that is nearest to the ball reference point, but is not nearer the hole than the ball reference point.

For purposes of this Local Rule, “fairway” means any area of grass in the general area that is cut to fairway height or less.

If a ball is estimated to be lost on the course or last crossed the edge of the course boundary short of the fairway, the fairway reference point may be a grass path or a teeing ground for the hole being played cut to fairway height or less.

Size of Relief Area Based on Reference Points: Anywhere between:

- A line from the hole through the ball reference point (and within two club-lengths to the outside of that line), and
- A line from the hole through the fairway reference point (and within two club-lengths to the fairway side of that line).

But with these limits:

Limits on Location of Relief Area:

- Must be in the general area, and
- Must not be nearer the hole than the ball reference point.

Once the player puts a ball in play under this Local Rule:

- The original ball that was lost or out of bounds is no longer in play and must not be played.
- This is true even if the ball is found on the course before the end of the three-minute search time (see Rule 6.3b).

But the player may not use this option to take relief for the original ball when:

- That ball is known or virtually certain to have come to rest in a penalty area, or
- The player has played another ball provisionally under penalty of stroke and distance (see Rule 18.3).

A player may use this option to take relief for a provisional ball that has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a

Prohibiting the use of metal spikes – Local Rule G-7

Rule 4.3a is modified in this way:

During a round, a player must not wear shoes with:

- Traditional spikes – that is, spikes having single or multiple points designed to penetrate deeply into the surface of the ground (regardless of whether made of metal, ceramic, plastic or other materials); or
- Spikes of any design that are entirely or partially made of metal, if such metal may come in contact with the course.

Penalty for not following the above local rule: General Penalty