

1. Out of Bounds

- i) Beyond any fence, council roads bordering the course (including boundary fences to residential properties)
- ii) Beyond any line of stakes or indicators with black tops and/or white lines.

2. Lost Ball/Out of Bounds (Alternate Rule)

When a player's ball has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out bounds, the player MAY PROCEED UNDER THE STROKE AND DISTANCE Local Rule for a Penalty of Two strokes. (This means a player may take a drop from the point of entry where the ball is lost or went out of bounds, and drop from knee height, within two club lengths to the nearest edge of the fairway, no nearer the hole and play their 4th shot from there). You may hit a provisional ball however the option to use the 2 shot stroke and distance rule is then not applicable to your original ball.

3. Water Hazards

- i) All water courses are considered Lateral Water Hazards and are identified by red stakes and red lines of which define the margin. Where no stake or line exists, the hazard is defined by its natural margin.

4. Immovable Obstructions

- i) All **artificially** surfaced roads and paths including raised concrete edging.
- ii) Trees, shrubs (must have a trunk) identified by a stake or are under 2 club lengths in height. Relief MUST be taken.
- iii) All fixed sprinkler heads and drain grates are immovable obstructions and relief from interference may be obtained under Rule 24. 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 lies 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.
- iv) All Stakes (excluding OOB stakes), distance indicators, sand bins, course rubbish bins, irrigation boxes and pipes, tee markers, tee signs, advertising signs, bench seats, buggy directional signs and ropes and tee screens.
- v) Garden beds defined by wooden, concrete or stone boundaries on any side.

5. Temporary Immovable Obstructions

- i) Includes but not limited to all advertising signs, sponsors marquees, leaderboards and tents within the boundaries of the course for the purpose of the competition.

6. Movable Obstructions

- i) Metal Hoops situated immediately beside the Green

7. Ground Under Repair

- i) Includes all areas bounded by a white line or white stake.
- ii) Clearly visible Shrinkage cracks greater than 1cm "Through the green"
- iii) Marked or unmarked irrigation/construction, new works including sanded (top dressed) areas – not including divots
(Compulsory)
- iv) Water erosion marks in bunkers
- v) Bare Areas – Players may take free relief if their ball comes to rest on a bare patch (**area devoid of grass** a divot is not a bare patch) on closely mown areas of the **fairway being played**.
- vi) Loose gravel immediately adjacent to bitumen cart paths.
- viii) Yellow cart lines on closely mown areas.
- ix) Any boundary gardens through the course which are signed GUR.
- x) White staked bunkers

8. Road and Paths

- i) All **artificially** surfaced roads and paths including raised concrete edging are immovable obstructions. The ball may be played as it lies or relief taken as Rule 24-2.B. All other roads, paths or tracks are an integral part of the course. (ie. No relief)
Exception: When playing the 12th hole only the unsealed portion of cart path is GUR.

9. Exposed Mesh in Bunkers

- i) Exposed mesh netting in bunkers is to be treated as GUR, relief maybe taken nearest point where netting does not interfere with the players swing. The ball must be placed as near as possible to the original position remaining the bunker and recreating a similar lie.

10. Maximum Score for Stroke Events (except for Honour Board events)

Players taking more than 5 over par on any hole MUST pick up (Par 3 more than 8, Par 4 more than 9, Par 5 more than 10)

Out of Bounds**Hole 2**

The ball is out of bounds on the 2nd hole once it has crossed the chain dividing fence to the left of the green, irrespective of whether it is through the green on the 3rd hole

Hole 4

The ball is out of bounds on the 4th hole once it has crossed the road kerb to the left of the green, irrespective of whether it is through the green on the 5th hole. The extent of the OOB line is the inside of the kerb closest to the 4th green

Hole 16

The ball is out of bounds if it comes to rest on any part of the island to the left of the teeing ground (unless advised otherwise)

Hole 18

The ball is out of bounds if it comes to rest in the garden area immediately in front of the town houses on the right hand side. The out of bounds is defined by white and black stripes on the timber edge

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: Stroke Play - Two Strokes ; Match Play – Loss of Hole