



Baberton Golf Club

Local Rules

Out of Bounds

On or beyond a boundary wall, fence or inner fence, or beyond any line of white posts.

The woodland between the white posts to the left of the 3rd hole and below the 6th back tee, and the white posts on the west side of the bridge and the left of the 13th hole.

Rules 18.2a(2) and 18.2b

Practice area

The practice area lies between the 16th and 18th holes. A practice stroke made other than from the bays, the practice bunker or in practising chipping and putting on or near the practice greens is deemed practising on the course.

Rule 5.2b.

Integral Objects

- The path between the trees and the boundary wall to the right of the 6th *putting green*.
- Walls on the course.
- Gates in boundary objects.

No Play Zones

Any *abnormal course condition* marked with a **No Play Zone** sign.

Rules 2.4, 16.1b and 17.1d

Temporary Putting Greens

Temporary *putting greens* are identified by a broken white line. Unless in use on the hole being played, they are wrong *putting greens*.

Rule 13.1f

Ground Under Repair

- Areas encircled by a white line, blue stakes or blue rope.
- The track crossing the 2nd, 15th, and 16th holes.
- Any *bunker* marked by a single blue stake. A *bunker* so marked is a No Play Zone.

Rule 16.1a

Dropping Zones

- Dropping zones are marked by a green stake.
- The relief area is one *club-length* from the stake in any direction.
- You are not required to stand in the relief area.
- The stake is a *movable obstruction*.

Paths at the 8th and 9th Tees

As additional relief from interference, you may *drop* a ball in the nearest Dropping Zone.

Rule 16.1b

Protective Fence at the 4th tee

If the fence intervenes on your *line of play*, you may *drop* a ball in the nearest Dropping Zone without penalty unless

- the original ball is further from the *hole* than the higher Dropping Zone;
- it is unreasonable to make a *stroke* on a direct line to the *hole*;
- it would not be possible to reach the fence with the shot; or
- anything else makes a *stroke* impossible.

Rule 4.7a

Mats used as Dropping Zones

- Where an artificial mat is used as a Dropping Zone, the mat defines the relief area and you must place your ball on the mat.
- The mat is an *immovable obstruction* except when being used as a Dropping Zone.

Mandatory Dropping Zones

If an *abnormal course condition* is marked with a Mandatory Dropping Zone sign, you must take relief in the nearest Dropping Zone.

Mats used as Teeing Areas

The tee mat defines the *teeing area*. You must stand on it and play your the ball on it when starting the hole.

Penalty: Loss of hole in match play.
Rule 6.1b(2) applies in stroke play.

Overhead Power Cables

If it is known or virtually certain that your ball hit a power line on the *course*, the stroke does not count. You must play a ball without penalty from where the previous *stroke* was made.

Rule 14.7

Protection of young trees identified by being staked.

If a staked tree interferes with your *stance* or area of intended swing, you must take relief. The stake and any supporting wires or protective materials are immovable obstructions.

Rule 16.1b.

Immovable Obstruction near or on Putting Green

You may take relief if your ball lies off the green and an *immovable obstruction* is on the *line of play*, within two *club-lengths* of the *putting green* and within two *club-lengths* of the ball. There is no relief if the player chooses a *line of play* that is clearly unreasonable.

Rule 16.1b

Seams of cut turf

If your ball is touching a seam or the seam interferes with the area of your intended swing, you may take relief without penalty in the *general area* under Rule 16.1b or on the *putting green* under Rule 16.1d. There is no interference if a seam affects only your *stance*.

If there is interference from any seam after *dropping* the ball, you must *re-drop* in the relief area. If a seam again interferes with your ball or swing, you must *place* your ball where it struck the ground after the second *drop*.

Rule 16.1b

Aeration Holes

If your ball lies in or touches an aeration hole, you may take relief without penalty. You may not take relief if only your *stance* is affected. If the *dropped* ball touches another hole, you may take relief again.

Ball in *General Area*, Rule 16.1b

Ball on *putting green*, Rule 16.1d

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF A LOCAL RULE

General Penalty unless otherwise stated
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