



# TEMPORARY LOCAL RULES

with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026

## PREFERRED LIES

When any part of a player's ball touches part of the general area cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from this relief area:

- **Reference Point:** Spot of the original ball.
- **Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point:** 6 inches from the reference point, **but** with these limits:
  - Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and
  - Must be in the general area.

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e. **But**, for the purposes of applying Rule 14.2e, the player has only chosen the spot on which to place the ball once the ball has been set down, and the player has let the ball go with the intent for that ball to be in play. After a ball has been placed and is in play under this Local Rule, if the player then proceeds under another Rule that provides relief, this Local Rule may be used again.

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

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## BUNKERS FILLED WITH TEMPORARY WATER

Any bunker marked with a flag is Ground Under Repair in the general area. It is not treated as a bunker during the round. The player **MUST** take free relief under Rule 16.1b. All other bunkers on the course are still bunkers for all purposes under the Rules.

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

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## MACHINERY RUTS & TREAD MARKS

Areas of the course damaged by recent course maintenance works, including machinery track and tyre marks are abnormal course conditions and must be treated as Ground Under Repair. If there is interference to a player's ball at rest, their stance or intended swing, play is prohibited from these areas and relief **MUST** be taken under Rule 16.1.

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General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a.**

