

Ashford Manor Golf Club

LOCAL RULES



The local rules and Temporary local rules currently in force are displayed in the Club House, the Professional Shop & on the Club website. Abridged local rules are printed on the scorecard.

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These Local Rules override those on the current score cards and should be read in conjunction with any Temporary Local Rules currently in force.

1. Out of Bounds (Rule 2.1)

A ball is out of bounds when it is:

- Beyond any wall, fence, railing or hedge bounding the course.
- Beyond any area defined as out of bounds by white posts or white lines.
- Beyond the inner, nearest the course, side edge of the pathway that runs from adjacent to the 1st Tee, around the front of the Clubhouse, behind the 18th green to adjacent the 9th Tee. The path will be deemed Out of Bounds.

2. Immovable Obstructions (Rule 16)

The following are to be treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1

- The distance points at the teeing grounds, distance markers in the middle of the fairways and stakes, tubes, cages and the like supporting young trees are immovable obstructions.
- Any angled support or coiled barbed wire adjacent to a boundary fence is an immovable obstruction and not deemed to be part of the fence itself.
- All roads and paths on the course, even if not artificially-surfaced.
- All parts of the watering system are deemed immovable whether fixed or not.

3. Abnormal Course Conditions

Any area marked by white lines or enclosed within white topped posts or where otherwise indicated by a notice is a **no play zone**.

4. Protection of Young Trees

The young trees identified by being supported or protected by a stake or other device such as a tube or cage, or identified by a yellow band 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 a 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.
- If the ball lies in a penalty area, and interference to the player's stance or area of intended swing exists from such a tree, the player must take relief either with penalty under Rule 17.1e or with free relief under Rule 17.1e(2).

5. Practice Areas (Rule 5.2a)

Rule 5.2a is modified in this way:

A player may practise on the practice area to the right of the 8th fairway course before or between rounds.

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



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TEMPORARY LOCAL RULES

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The following rules apply when indicated by the club.

PREFERRED LIES AND WINTER RULES

When a player's ball lies in a 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:

Limits on Location of Relief Area:

- 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.

RELIEF FOR EMBEDDED BALL

(Rule 16.3 applies)

AERATION HOLES

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

- a) 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.
- b) 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, on the putting green, on the player's line of play.

CRACKS IN THE GROUND

Cracks in the ground in parts of the general area cut to fairway height or less are ground under repair. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.

But interference does not exist if the crack only interferes with the player's stance.

RELIEF FROM TYRE MARKS

When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area where there are tyre marks the player may take free relief. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.

OUT OF BOUNDS (Rule 2.1)

During play of the 7th Hole the entire right-hand side of the hole, defined by white posts is out of bounds. These posts are boundary objects during play of the 7th Hole.

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