

Temporary Local Rule (required whenever No Play Zones are in operation)

Any area defined by BLUE LINE is a no play zone that is to be treated as an abnormal course condition. Free relief **must** be taken from interference by the no play zone under [Rule 16.1f](#)."

For reference, No Play Zones as defined under Rule 2.4, and Rule 16.1f are shown below:

2.4

No Play Zones

A no play zone is a defined part of an abnormal course condition (see [Rule 16.1f](#)) or a penalty area (see [Rule 17.1e](#)) where play is not allowed.

A player must take relief when:

- His or her ball is in a no play zone, or
- A no play zone interferes with his or her area of intended stance or area of intended swing in playing a ball outside the no play zone (see Rules [16.1f](#) and [17.1e](#)).

16.1f

Relief Must Be Taken from Interference by No Play Zone in Abnormal Course Condition

In each of these situations, the ball must not be played as it lies:

(1) When Ball Is in No Play Zone. If the player's ball is in a no play zone in or on an abnormal course condition in the general area, in a bunker or on the putting green:

- No Play Zone in General Area. The player must take free relief under [Rule 16.1b](#).
- No Play Zone in Bunker. The player must take free relief or penalty relief under [Rule 16.1c](#)(1) or (2).
- No Play Zone on Putting Green. The player must take free relief under [Rule 16.1d](#).

(2) When No Play Zone Interferes with Stance or Swing for Ball Anywhere on Course Except Penalty Area. If a player's ball is outside a no play zone and is in the general area, in a bunker or on the putting green, and a no play zone (whether in an abnormal course condition or in a penalty area) interferes with the player's area of intended stance or area of intended swing, the player must either:

- Take relief if allowed under Rule [16.1b](#), [c](#) or [d](#), depending on whether the ball is in the general area, in a bunker or on the putting green, or
- Take unplayable ball relief under [Rule 19](#).

For what to do when there is interference by a no play zone for a ball in a penalty area, see [Rule 17.1e](#).

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Rule 16.1: General Penalty under [Rule 14.7a](#).