



ADGC Local Rules

OUT OF BOUNDS

A ball is Out of Bounds (OOB) when it is:

- In or beyond all hedges, dykes and fences which mark the boundary of the course;
- In or beyond the grip on the right-hand-side of the 1st and 13th holes;
- In or beyond the dyke on the left-hand-side of the 5th hole;
- Beyond the course-side edge of the white posts on the right-side of the 5th and 14th holes;
- On the stone bridge crossing the dyke short of the 5th green; (the concrete posts are Boundary Objects);
- Beyond the course-side edge of the white posts surrounding the maintenance area near the 5th and 7th holes;
- In or over the dyke on the right of the 11th hole; (*only when playing the 11th hole*);
- Beyond the white posts surrounding the clubhouse, patio, carpark, putting greens and practice facilities.

Stroke and Distance Relief MUST be taken for a ball Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2).

White posts are used to **define** an area of OOB (Line of sight using course side edge determines whether the ball is OOB).

White posts with a black top are used to indicate that an area of OOB is close by, which may be defined by a hedge, dyke, fence, or grip (see above) (these posts should **not** be used for line of sight to determine whether the ball is OOB).

White Posts (including ones with Black Tops) are **Boundary Objects** (No relief is available, and they must not be removed).

PENALTY AREAS

- Penalty Areas on the course are marked by either Red Stakes or Yellow Stakes. (Rule 17.1)

PRACTICE HOLES (P1 & P2)

- The 2 practice holes located to the right of the 9th hole are designated as part of the course even when they are not part of the specified round being played. A ball may be played from this area at any time.
- When the practice holes are NOT part of the specified Round, they MAY be used for practice.
- When the practice holes ARE part of the specified round, they MUST NOT be used for practice.

PUTTING GREENS

- All putting greens other than the one in use on the current hole are designated as 'Wrong Greens', including any green that has been replaced by a temporary green and any temporary green marked on the course that is not in use. (Rule 13.1f).

PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES

- The young trees identified by a yellow band or stake anywhere on the course are no play zones. (Rule 16.1f).

ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS AND INTEGRAL OBJECTS

- Ground Under Repair (GUR) is defined by any area encircled by a blue line or blue posts.
- No Play Zone is defined by any area of GUR which has white letters (NPZ) or a blue post with a white top.
- If an immovable obstruction, such as a sprinkler head, is on the **line-of-play**, within 2 club-lengths of the putting green, and also within 2 club lengths of the ball, the player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.
- At the player's option, dung from geese may be treated either, as a loose impediment or GUR.
- Roads, prepared footpaths and permanent fences on the course are to be treated as immovable obstructions.
- Tractor marks in the general area may be treated as GUR from which relief is allowed.
- If a player's ball strikes the post OR rope on a **temporary Fence** across the Fairway, the player may either: (A) play the ball as it lies, or (B) replay the stroke. (Note: this does not apply to permanent fences on the course).

SUSPENSION OF PLAY

- Suspension of Play for a dangerous situation will be signalled by one long blast from the siren. (*Players must immediately stop play, mark their balls if possible, and leave the course*).
- Suspension of play for any other reason will be signalled by 3 short blasts from the siren. (*Players may finish the hole they are on before leaving the course OR mark their balls and then leave the course*).
- Resumption of play after a suspension will be signalled by 2 short blasts from the siren – repeated. (*Players may return to the course and resume play*).

ACCIDENTS

- Members and visitors MUST report any injury or accident before leaving the premises, including incidents where a ball is hit beyond the boundaries of the course.