

LOCAL RULES AND TERMS OF COMPETITION FOR 2019 WOGA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Out of Bounds: Defined by inside points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts. Objects defining out of bounds are NOT obstructions. Rule 18 & Definition of Out of Bounds.

Penalty Area Stakes, Lines: When both stakes and lines are used to define Yellow & Red Penalty Areas, stakes identify and lines define the margin. The stakes or lines are in the hazard. Rule 19.

Ground Under Repair: Areas defined by white lines, French Drains & Fire Ant Hills, even if not marked. The lines are in the ground under repair. If the ball & fire ant hill lie in a hazard, the ball must be dropped in the hazard. Rule 16.1.

Seams of Cut Turf: In the General Area, **seams** of cut turf (not the turf itself) are deemed Ground under Repair. Interference with stance is deemed **not** to be, of itself, interference. If the ball lies in or touches the seam or it interferes with area of intended swing, relief is available under R.16.1b. All seams are considered the same seam.

Embedded Ball in the General Area: See Rule 16.3

Integral Objects: Lightning rods & electrical wires closely attached to trees and artificial walls & pilings in hazards. No relief without penalty.

Accidental Movement of a Ball on Putting Green: Rule 9.2

CONDITIONS

Undue Delay, Slow Play: See supplemental Local Rules/Notice to Players for pace of play policies & penalties.

The **USGA Groove & Punch Mark Specifications Effective January 1, 2010 Condition of Competition** is NOT adopted for any WOGA championship or tournament.

Caddies: Personal caddies **may** be permitted in some WOGA competitions; please consult entry information for each event. Parents/Step-Parents/Guardians are not permitted to caddie for players under age 17.

Discontinuance of Play- Dangerous Situation: One prolonged air horn note. Whether between holes or during the play of a hole, play must be **DISCONTINUED IMMEDIATELY** and must not be resumed until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play. All practice areas shall be closed until the Committee has declared them open.

ALL OTHER SUSPENSIONS: Three consecutive air horn notes, repeated. During play of a hole, players may complete play of that hole, but may not begin play of a subsequent hole.

RESUMPTION OF PLAY: Two short air horn notes, repeated.

Penalty for Breach of Rule: Disqualification.

Doubt as To Procedure in Stroke Play: Player may play a second ball, after announcing her intention to do so & stating which ball she wishes to score with if the Rules permit; she **must** report to the Committee before returning her scorecard. Rule 20.1c(3)

Making a Claim in Match Play: Rule 20.1a(2)

Return of Score Card in Stroke Play: The scorecard is officially returned when the player has handed it to the scoring official and has left the table. Scorecards should be returned as soon as possible following completion of the stipulated round.

Scoring In Match Play: The player who is first on the tee is the scorer for the match. The Winner shall return the scorecard and report the results to the scoring official.

Ties: Unless otherwise published, ties will be decided as prescribed in Appendix 1.

Close of the Competition: The competition shall be deemed closed when the trophy has been presented to the winner.

General Penalty: Unless otherwise stated, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is **Loss of Hole in Match Play or Two Strokes in Stroke Play**

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