

# LOCAL RULES FOR LEISURE WORLD GOLF CLUB

“Any Game is more enjoyable when played within the rules!”

The rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association (USGA) Will Govern Play.

Local Rules will modify play when conditions warrant.

1. PLAY THE BALL AS IT LIES. Preferred Lies (Winter Rules) are only in effect under poor conditions or off season during Winter Play.
2. Free relief is granted for an embedded ball in the general area except in sand.
3. All WATER HAZARDS AND DRAINAGE DITCHES AND CERTAIN OTHER AREAS are marked as RED PENALTY AREAS AND DEFINED BY RED LINES AND/OR STAKES. Play is not allowed out of all environmental areas marked by red stakes with green tips. On holes #7 and #16 ANY BALL IN RED PENALTY AREA MAY USE DROP AREA. Carts must stay on cart paths.
4. Holes #3, #7, #8 & #16, CARTS MUST STAY ON PATH. There is no fairway on these holes, play as rough from tee to green.
5. OUT OF BOUNDS is marked with WHITE STAKES and can be found on holes #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7, #9, #14, #15, & #17. If no stakes are in place, ROAD defines OUT OF BOUNDS on holes #1, #3, #16 & #18.
6. On #17, Rock bed just off tee near cart path is an obstruction and free relief is allowed.
7. Hole #11 is a blind driving hole. Players shall not tee off until the group ahead has rung the “All Clear Bell” or that it is verified that the hole is open. All Groups should ring the bell on #11 when all players in your group have advanced out of range.
8. All birdhouses are protected. Golf shots that may strike a birdhouse may take line of sight relief.
9. Alternative to Stroke and Distance for Lost Ball or Ball Out of Bounds:  
*he use of this local rule is applicable for general and casual play except when it is announced that it cannot be used for certain competitive tournaments. his rule can be used for all holes. It cannot be used when a provisional ball has been played and the provisional ball is not lost and*



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*remains in play, or when the ball is in the out of bounds areas behind #1 or #3, or in a penalty area. When a player's ball has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows rather than proceeding under stroke and distance:*

For two penalty strokes, the player may take relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this relief area (see Rule 14.3):

Two Estimated Reference Points:

- a. **Ball Reference Point:** The point where the original ball is estimated to have:
  - Come to rest on the course, or:
  - Last crossed the edge of the course boundary to go out of bounds.
- b. **Fairway Reference Point:** The point of fairway of the hole being played that is nearest to the ball reference point, but is not nearer the hole than the ball reference point. For purposes of this Local Rule, “fairway” means any area of grass in the general area that is cut to fairway height or less.

If a ball is estimated to be lost on the course or last crossed the edge of the course boundary short of the fairway, the fairway reference point may be a grass path or a teeing ground for the hole being played cut to fairway height or less.

### **Size of Relief Area Based on Reference Points**

Anywhere between:

- A line from the hole through the ball reference point (and within two club-lengths to the outside of that line), and:
- A line from the hole through the fairway reference point (and within two club-lengths to the outside of that line).
- But with these limits, *Limits on Location of Relief Area:*
  - ▷ Must be in the general area, and:
  - ▷ Must not be nearer the hole than the ball reference point.