

Kilcock Golf Club - Local Rules

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Out of Bounds

Outside the course, on or beyond any fence, ditch, or drain bounding the course. Outside the white posts on right side of first hole, the practice area, putting green, car park and Club House area.

No Play Zone

The areas defined by green stakes are no play zones that are to be treated as an abnormal course condition. Free relief must be taken from interference by the no play zone under Rule 16.1f.

Prohibiting Play from Fringe of Wrong Green

If the player must take relief under Rule 13.1f because his or her ball came to rest on the putting green of a hole other than the hole being played or that putting green interferes with his or her stance or area of intended swing:

- In finding the relief area to be used when taking this relief, the putting green is defined to include the area of fairway within two club-lengths from the edge of the putting green.
- This means that the nearest point of complete relief must avoid interference from this area in addition to the putting green.

Protection of Young Trees

The young trees which are staked 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).

Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Greens

Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1.

The player also has these extra options to take relief when such immovable obstructions are close to the putting green and on the line of play:

Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is: On the line of play, and is:

Within two club-lengths of the putting green, and within two club-lengths of the ball

Exception - No Relief If Line of Play Clearly Unreasonable. There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

Damage by Animals

In the general area, areas of damage caused by an animal are treated as ground under repair from which relief is allowed under Rule 16.1b.

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

All Roads and Paths Treated as Obstructions

All roads and paths on the course, even if not artificially-surfaced, are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1.

Treating Movable Objects to Be Immovable

All seats and tee markers are treated as immovable obstructions from which free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1. Relief is not allowed to be taken under Rule 15.2.

Prohibiting Use of Certain Types of Shoes

Rule 4.3a is modified in this way:

During a round, a player must not wear shoes with:

- Traditional spikes – that is, spikes having single or multiple points designed to penetrate deeply into the surface of the ground (regardless of whether made of metal, ceramic, plastic or other materials); or
- Spikes of any design that are entirely or partially made of metal, if such metal may come in contact with the course.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule - see Rule 4.3.

Methods for Stopping and Resuming Play

A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signalled by a 5 second siren which is repeated 3 times. All other suspensions will be signalled by a 10 second siren. In either case, resumption of play will be signalled by instructions from the Proshop. See Rule 5.7b.

Removal of Temporary Water

If a player's ball lies on the putting green and there is interference by temporary water on the putting green, the player may:

Take free relief under Rule 16.1d

Drop Zones Holes 5 & 6

If a ball is in the penalty areas left of the 5th green or left of the 6th fairway, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found, the player **MUST** choose one of the following;

- Play the ball as it lies **OR**
- Drop the original ball or another ball in either of the 2 drop zones which are indicated with a post marked Drop Zone, adding one penalty stroke, **OR**
- Take stroke-and-distance relief under Rule 17.1d(1), adding one penalty stroke.

The player may not take relief under Rules 17.1d(2) or 17.1d(3).

The penalty areas above are identified with posts marked **Drop Zone in play**

Drop Zone Hole 3

If a ball enters into the penalty area left of the 3rd green, the player **MUST** choose one of the following;

- Play the ball as it lies **OR**
- Drop the original ball or another ball in the drop zone which is indicated with a post marked Drop Zone Hole 3, adding one penalty stroke. **OR**
- Take stroke-and-distance relief under Rule 17.1d(1), adding one penalty stroke,

The player may not take relief under Rules 17.1d(2) or 17.1d(3).

See Notice Board outside proshop for any temporary local rules

General Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: Stroke Play - 2 Strokes

Match Play - Loss of Hole