

CLUB LOCAL RULES

27th Founders Cup Invitational

As of November 16, 2025

1. Out of Bounds

A ball is out of bounds when it lies beyond any wall or fence defining the boundary of the course.

A ball that crosses a road or tunnel defined as out of bounds and comes to rest on or beyond the road or tunnel is out of bounds even if it comes to rest on another part of the course that is in bounds for other holes.

2. No Play Zones

The young trees identified by blue stakes or blue ribbons 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 area of intended 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 whether with penalty under **Rule 17.1e**.

The landscape areas defined by blue stakes with green tops (Palmer 9 & 10 Logos, Palmer 17 Nursery, Player 1 Logo and Player 15 Nursery) are no play zones that are to be treated as abnormal course condition. Free relief must be taken from interference by the no play zones under **Rule 16.1f**.

The area within the red penalty area defined by red stakes with green tops (Palmer 2, 10, 15, 16 & 17 and Player Holes 1 & 2) are Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA) and are considered as no play zones within the penalty area. The ball must not be played as it lies and relief must be taken from interference by the no play zones under **Rule 17.1e**.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty under Rule 14.7a.

3. Ground Under Repair (GUR)

Ground under repair is defined by area encircled with white line or dots with blue stakes or "GUR" sign.

Areas in bunkers where sand has been removed by the movement of water resulting in deep furrows through the sand are considered ground under repair.

4. Edging Grooves

The edging grooves around the aprons or fringes of putting greens are GUR. If a player's ball lies on or touches a groove or a groove interferes with the area of intended swing, the player may take free relief under **Rule 16.1d** for a ball on putting green and under **Rule 16.1b** for a ball in general area.

5. Temporary Local Rule on Edging Grooves around tee mounds, greens and along transition lines between fairway and rough

The edging groove on the rough area around the tee mounds, greens, and along transition lines between fairway and rough are Ground Under Repair. If a player's ball lies in or touches a groove or a groove interferes with the area of intended swing the player may take free relief under Rule 16.1b by dropping the original ball or another ball within one club-length from the nearest point of relief, but with these limits on location of Relief Area:

- Must be in the general area
- Must not be nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief, and
- There must be complete relief from interference by the edging groove.

But, interference does not exist if the edging groove only interferes with the player's stance.

Penalty for playing ball from a wrong place in breach of local rule: General Penalty under Rule 14.7a.



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6. Waste Bunker

The fairway bunkers on the left of Player 10 and on the right of Palmer 3 are considered as part of the general area.

7. Integral Part of the Course

The rock walls and embankments on Player 6, 12 & 13 are considered as integral parts of the course and relief may not be obtained without penalty.

8. Temporary Immovable Obstructions (TIO)

Ad boards on the course are considered as temporary immovable obstruction. A player may take relief from Temporary Immovable Obstructions when there is physical interference or line of sight interference from the Temporary Immovable Obstructions. (Either side relief option is allowed but not if the player is taking relief using the procedures in **Rule 16.1**)

9. Pace of Play

Players should play at a good pace. Time pars will be in effect for all groups or flights. The following are the time pars:

- Par 3** - **12 minutes**
- Par 4** - **15 minutes**
- Par 5** - **18 minutes**

If at any time a group/flight exceeds the allowable time par, they will be officially notified. They then will be expected to speed up their play and play the next 2 holes in the allowable time par. If they do so, no further action will be taken. However, if they fail to do so and thus have made no apparent attempt to speed up their play, they will be placed on the clock. **Each player will have forty (40) seconds to play his shot** from the time it is his turn to play. The first offense will receive an official warning, the second offense will result a 2-point team penalty, the third will result team disqualification for the day.

Once a group has played a hole in the appropriate time par, they will be taken off the clock. However, failure to meet any subsequent time pars will result in them immediately being placed back on the clock. As long as a group has not been placed on the clock, they will always be subject to an official notification first. When they respond favorably to that notification by playing the next two (2) holes in the allotted time par, the notification is essentially erased and the process would start over if they exceed the time pars later in the round. The Marshals, Golf Operations Manager or Golf Director and Rules Official will be in charge of monitoring the pace and administering the notifications/warnings/penalties, etc.

10. Palmer Hole No. 7 – Drop Zone

If a player's ball is in the **yellow penalty area in the lagoon before the green**, including **when it is known or virtually certain** to be in that **penalty area** even though not found, the player has these relief options, each one penalty stroke:

- The player may take relief under **Rule 17.1**, or
- As an extra option, the player may **drop** the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone. The dropping zone is a **relief area** under **Rule 14.3**.

11. Suspension and Resumption of Play

- **Immediate suspension of play (dangerous situation)** – One prolonged blast of horn
- **Normal suspension of play (non-dangerous situation)** – Three consecutive blasts of horn
- **Resumption of play** – Two short blasts of horn

12. Preferred Lie (This Rule will be in effect on the entire tournament from Day-1 to Day-4)

When a player's ball lies in a part of the **general area cut to fairway height or less**, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball within **one-scorecard length** from the spot of the original ball and playing it from this **relief area**:

- Must not be nearer the **hole** than the reference point, and
- Must be in the **general area**.

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for **replacing** a ball under **Rule 14.2b(2)** and **14.2e**.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under **Rule 14.7a**.

13. Course Markings:

- Red stake or line - RED penalty area
- Yellow stake or line - YELLOW penalty area
- White stake or line - Out of Bound (OB)
- White circle with Blue stake - Ground Under Repair (GUR)
- Red stake with green tops - No play zone on RED penalty area
- Blue stake with green tops - No play zone on GUR

