# Local Rules and Terms of the Competition

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and R&A Rules Limited govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at this Southern Junior Championship. See applicable championship Notice to Players and Entry Information for modifications or additions to these Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. Complete text of the Rules and Local Rules may be found in the current Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, effective January 2023. Disregard local rules printed on club scorecard. Unless otherwise specified, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

**CODE OF CONDUCT:** See separate <u>Code of Conduct Policy</u> memorandum.

PACE OF PLAY: See separate Pace of Play Policy memorandum.

**PROHIBITING USE OF MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION**: Model Local Rule G-6 is in effect. During a round, a player and caddie must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorized or later approved by the Committee. A player operating under a stroke and distance penalty is always authorized to ride on motorized transportation.

**PRACTICE:** Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player may not practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 5.2.

**OUT OF BOUNDS**: Defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts.

**PENALTY AREAS:** When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out-of-bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

# ABNORMAL COURSE CONDITIONS (Rule 16.1):

(a) GROUND UNDER REPAIR: Defined by white lines. Ground under repair also includes French drains, which are trenches filled with rocks or stones. For grass-covered trenching, see Temporary Power Lines and Cables. Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage, including areas where spectators or other traffic has combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, but only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an obstruction, such an area is part of the obstruction.

(b) RELIEF FROM SEAMS OF CUT TURF: Model Local Rule F-7 is in effect.

(c) IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS: Include plastic bumpers on roads and paths, and mats secured to the ground with spikes when the bumpers or mats cover cables.

(d) WHITE-LINED AREAS TYING INTO ARTIFICALLY SURFACED ROADS AND PATHS: White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths, or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

**TEMPORARY POWER LINES AND CABLES:** Model Local Rule F-22 is in effect.

WOOD CHIPS AND MULCH: Are loose impediments.

**INTEGRAL OBJECTS:** Include cables, rods, wires, or wrappings when closely attached to trees and boundary objects. Artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas (or when used to define penalty area) or in or adjacent to bunkers and bunker liners. **Note:** An exposed bunker liner may be treated as ground under repair, but interference does not exist if the liner interferes only with the player's stance.

**GATES IN BOUNDARY FENCES AND WALLS:** Model Local Rule F-26 is in effect. All closed gates that are attached to boundary walls and fences are part of the boundary object. Relief is not allowed from such a gate under Rule 15.2 or 16.1. IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS CLOSE TO PUTTING GREEN (BOTH BALL AND OBSTRUCTION ARE IN PART OF GENERAL AREA CUT TO FAIRWAY HEIGHT OR LESS): Model Local Rule F-5.2 is in effect and modified to also include a ball in the general area cut to fairway height or less and the obstruction is on the putting green within two clublengths of the ball.

**TEMPORARY IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS:** Greenside fans, starting, scoring and concession tents, scoreboards and hole signs are temporary immovable obstructions (TIO's). See Model Local Rule F-23 for interference and relief procedure.

**BALL DEFLECTED BY POWER LINE:** If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hit a power line, power line tower or a wire or pole supporting a power line, the player must cancel the stroke and replay the original ball or another ball without penalty from the spot that stroke was made (see Rule 14.6). Model Local Rule E-11.

## SPECIFICATIONS OF EQUIPMENT:

(a) PROHIBITING USE OF AUDIO AND VIDEO DEVICES: Model Local Rule G-8 is in effect.

**(b) REPLACING CLUB THAT IS BROKEN OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED:** Model Local Rule G-9 is in effect.

(c) LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS: Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect.

(d) GROOVES AND PUNCH MARK SPECIFICATIONS: Model Local Rule G-2 is in effect.

(e) LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS: Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect.

(f) PROHIBITING USE OF CLUBS LONGER THAN 46 INCHES: Model Local Rule G-10 is in effect.

(g) PROHIBITING USE OF CERTAIN TYPES OF SHOES (METAL SPIKES): Model Local Rule G-7 is in effect.

**STOPPING AND RESUMING PLAY:** Model Local Rule J-1 is in effect. An immediate suspension will be signaled by one prolonged airhorn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive airhorn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short airhorn notes.

**Note:** All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing might result in disqualification.

**SCORECARDS:** A scorecard is deemed returned once a player exits the defined scoring area (see "Notice to Players" for location). A player that remains within the defined scoring area may make alterations to their scorecard, with the consent of their marker or the Committee.

## MODIFICATION OF PENALTY UNDER RULE 3.3b(2) FOR MISSING PLAYER OR MARKER CERTIFICATION: Model Local Rule L-1 is in effect.

**WHEN COMPETITION IS FINAL:** The competition is final when the trophy has been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Committee.



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#### FORMAT, PLAYOFF, PRIZES

54 holes of stroke play. After 36 holes, the field will be cut to the low 66 scores and ties for the final round. A sudden death playoff will be used to determine the winner (18, 18, 1, 18, etc.). Players are responsible for making themselves available in the scoring area to receive playoff instructions. SGA will determine the playoff hole(s). The name of the Champion will be inscribed on the *Perry Adair Trophy*. Champion receives the Calamity Jane Putter. Medals will be awarded to the top three players. A tie for second and third place medals will be broken using the USGA recommended scorecard playoff procedure (last 9 holes, last 6 holes, last 3 holes, 18<sup>th</sup> hole).

## TEES TO PLAY

All players will play from the SGA tee markers.

# OUT OF BOUNDS

Defined by the line between course-side points, at ground level, of:

• White stakes, white dots, wooden fences and chain-link fences around perimeter of the course, outside edge of cart path left of and behind Hole #9 green, left side of Holes #10 and #11, course-side edge of cart staging area behind Hole #18 green. Driving range and clubhouse areas are out of bounds.

## **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS**

Birdhouses, irrigation boxes, sprinkler heads, paved cart paths (including brick paths attached to cart path) are immovable obstructions. Decorative planting areas encircled by a cart path (#2 green/#3 tee, #13 green/#14 tee) are considered part of the cart path and therefore a single Immovable Obstruction. See other side of this sheet for immovable obstructions close to the putting green.

#### WRONG GREEN

The practice putting green right of Hole #18 and all other putting greens on the course except the putting green of the hole being played. Interference is for lie of ball, stance, and area of intended swing. Complete relief from interference by a wrong putting green is MANDATORY.

## SANDY CRUSHED STONE AREAS

All sandy, crushed stone areas are part of the general area (i.e., no free relief). Individual pieces of crushed stone are loose impediments.

## PACE OF PLAY

Groups out of position and over the allotted pace time will be warned that individuals in the group are subject to being timed. See Pace of Play policy online for timing procedure and scorecard for pace of play timing guidelines. Penalties are applied to individuals, not to the group. Note that a group out of position but within its time limit may be unofficially asked to close the gap.

<u>Note</u>: The policy may provide that at any time, if a player is observed by a referee to take longer than a specified time to play a shot (i.e., 120 seconds), they will be notified of the excessive shot time and be timed, even though the group is in position.

#### WEATHER EVACUATION AND RESTROOMS

In the event of a weather suspension, all players walk back to the clubhouse and shelter in the upstairs Ballroom. All practice areas are closed during a suspension of play for a dangerous situation until the Committee declares them open. Restrooms are located on #3 green, #5 green, #10 tee, #14 tee and clubhouse.

#### RULINGS

In case of a ruling, call the SGA at 303-931-2621. A rules official will be dispatched to your location.

## **SCORING AREA**

The scoring area is in the Tavern Room on the lower level of the clubhouse. A player has exited the scoring area when he leaves the room.

#### **RULES COMMITTEE**

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