



Local Rules – North Adelaide

Out of Bounds – Rule 18-2(b) – Please note below rule “Alternative to Stroke and Distance for lost ball or ball out of bounds”

Beyond the fence bounding the course

Beyond all white posts bordering any fairway

Beyond roadside kerbing or gutters

Immovable Obstructions – Rule 16-1

Greenkeeper’s compound, defined by concrete border, black stakes and the roadway

Staked/protected trees and shrubs and the stakes/guards protecting them – Relief **must** be taken.

Watering equipment (hoses, sprinklers) and the spray from watering equipment

Line of Play Relief for Protective Fence

Wire protective screen - Relief for lie of ball, stance or area of intended swing may be taken on the side of the fence of the hole being played

Immovable Obstructions (eg sprinkler heads) close to Putting Greens – Line of Play Interference

Relief is available under Rule 16.1b

Abnormal Ground Conditions – Rule 16-1b

Blue painted lines – relief is available for lie of ball and area of intended swing only

No Play Zone Abnormal Course Condition

Ground Under Repair – Relief is available from GUR under Rule 16-1f

All areas defined by white lines, hoops and ropes

All landscaped/planted garden beds are GUR from which play is prohibited.

Clearly defined wheel ruts made by heavy machinery

Ground affected by tree roots on surfaces cut to fairway height or less, or areas within 15 metres of surfaces cut to fairway height or less

Integral Object – all areas of ground previously planted but now bare of plantings.

Alternative to Stroke and Distance for lost ball or ball out of bounds

“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.

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 fairway side 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.

Once the player puts a ball in play under this Local Rule:

- The original ball that was lost or out of bounds is no longer in play and must not be played.
- This is true even if the ball is found on the course before the end of the three-minute search time (see Rule 6.3b).

But the player may not use this option to take relief for the original ball when:

- That ball is known or virtually certain to have come to rest in a penalty area, or
- The player has played another ball provisionally under penalty of stroke and distance (see Rule 18.3).

A player may use this option to take relief for a provisional ball that has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds.

Penalty for breach of Local Rule – Match Play – Loss of hole - Stroke Play – 2 strokes

Temporary Local Rules

Abnormal Ground Conditions – Rule 16-1b

Large bare patches on fairway – relief is available for lie of ball and area of intended swing only

Conditions of Competition for play at North Adelaide Golf Course

Motorised Carts: Motorised carts may be used in all play on this course.

Score Cards

Players may enter their own hole scores on the scorecard (it is not necessary for a marker to do it).

1. *It is not necessary to have a marker physically certify the player's hole scores, but some form of verbal certification after sighting the correct score should take place.*
2. *It is not necessary to physically return a scorecard to the Committee or clubhouse the Committee does accept the scores entered and signed off in digital form..*
3. *Mi Score App card entry is compulsory and the only method of score card entry for Golf Course managed competitions*
 1. *Golfers can mark their own scorecard*
 2. *A digital sign off on behalf of the marker by the player is allowed*
 3. *The marker must sight the score and verbally agree prior to the player signing off their own scorecard and entering for handicapping and results processing.*
 4. *Any card not entered without reason on the day of play will be marked as a no score not approved.*

Flagsticks

1. *Players are always required to leave the flagstick in the hole. A pool noodle insert is in the hole to assist retrieving the ball with zero touch points.*
2. *Golfers are NOT allowed to touch the flagstick at any time*

Bunkers

1. *Preferred lies in bunkers are allowed as rakes have been removed*

The above information will be placed on the GA website tomorrow morning, Saturday, March 21.