TOWNSVILLE GOLF CLUB INCORPORATED



Local Rules

Amended 20/12/2022

1. OUT OF BOUNDS (DEFINITIONS OF GOLF)

Those areas beyond the boundary fences of the course and all other areas as defined by O.O.B. stakes this includes temporary fencing at designated construction zones.

Note: O.O.B fence variation on hole 4 as staked.

2. IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTION (Rule 16-1)

The following are classed as Immovable Obstructions:

Relief can be provided under Rule 16-1a from abnormal course condition (roads and paths).

3. MOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS

Stones or loose impediments in bunkers are deemed to be movable obstructions (**Rule 12.2a**). Hazard and distance markers, posts and ropes defining No Go areas for buggies deemed to be movable obstructions must be replaced.

4. ABNORMAL GROUND CONDITIONS (Rule 16).

Line of sight relief area may be taken from all bare areas on the green's surface, washouts in bunkers, ground damaged by magpie geese or animal diggings, bare patches on closely mown fairways, green keeping aeration holes / coring holes on greens and Tyre Tracks made by course vehicles.

5. GROUND UNDER REPAIR (G.U.R.)

These areas are defined by G.U.R markings. (white stakes or white lines) Green Nursery on LHS hole 8 is considered GUR with a compulsory drop.

6. DROPPING ZONES

Drop zone on holes 10 & 18 are able to be used if the ball does not cross land after the first point of entry of the penalty area. Drop zone on hole 10 is on the RHS of the dam. The Drop zone for hole 18 is on the RHS of the dam. Where there is a dropping zone for a penalty area, a ball may be played under Rule 17-1a under penalty of one stroke.

7. ROADS AND PATHWAYS

There are formed roadways on the course. If the player and the marker agree that a ball is on what is a roadway (evidence of many vehicle tracks etc.) then the player is entitled to a free drop no nearer the hole.

8. GARDEN BEDS

Garden beds are considered an integral part of the course unless marked otherwise.

9. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES (RULE 4.3)

For all play at this course a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measure distance only, If during a stipulated round a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. gradient, wind, speed, temperature, etc.) the player is in breach of Rule 4.3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.

10. OPTIONAL CALL UP ON PAR 3 HOLES

Players are allowed an optional call up of waiting groups on Par 3 holes to enable improved speed of play.

11. TREE SAPLINGS

Play interfered in swing and stance from young trees under 2 club lengths in height, relief must be taken under **Rule 16.1.**

PLEASE REFER TO CLUB NOTICE BOARDS OR T.G.C. WEB PAGE FOR VARIATIONS TO THESE LOCAL RULES.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE

Stroke play - 2 strokes

Match play – Loss of hole