

TOWNSVILLE GOLF CLUB INCORPORATED



LOCAL RULES

Implemented March 2025

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:

- a) All distance markers
- b) All reticulation control boxes throughout course
- c) All roads and paths whether sealed or unsealed
- d) All outbuildings within the bounds of the course

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 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(ies) are 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 between the cart path and the RHS of the dam. The Drop zone for hole 18 is on the RHS of the cart path on the green side of the dam bridge. 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.