

PDRWGC LOCAL RULES

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1. All areas of the golf course are in play. 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 the relief area between 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 out of bounds line. (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, plus two club lengths.
2. When playing out of the decomposed granite (DG) or light colored sand waste areas, players will use the rules for GUR. This means that if your ball lands in a foot print, a hole, a tire track, heavy weeds, or any other imperfection, you may lift and place the ball at the closest relief point, on the same type of surface, trying to maintain one club length from the original lie and no closer to the hole. There will be no penalty stroke incurred.
3. If your ball lands in a plant or bush (including ornamental grass bushes) in any of the waste areas on the course, you may remove your ball and place the ball at the closest relief point, maintaining one club length from the plant or bush, no closer to the hole, and still in the waste area. There will be no penalty stroke incurred. If you cannot find your ball, proceed under the rules for lost ball.
4. Bird or animal dung that is prevalent on the course will be considered Ground Under Repair. Find the nearest point of relief and drop your ball within one club length of this point. The ball may be cleaned before dropping under this rule. This will be a free drop and no penalty will be incurred.
5. The Root Rule is in effect in the fairway of the 17th hole. "The Root Rule" allows a player to lift her ball when it comes in contact with, or is in close proximity to, an exposed or otherwise known tree root. The ball must be dropped within one club length, and not closer to the hole from where it was in relation to the root. The player must advise a fellow member of her playing group of her intention to apply this rule.

6. Out of Bounds is defined by white stakes and/or white painted curbing.
7. Relief from flower beds, staked trees, and cart paths must be taken within one club length no nearer to the hole.
8. All lakes are marked as red stake penalty areas.
9. On hole #14, you may not use the drop area for your second shot. If you hit into the water off the tee, you must take a legal drop and either lay up or attempt to clear the water. The drop area may be used for subsequent shots.
10. Due to Covid-19, there will be no rakes in any bunkers. If your lie in a bunker is in a footprint or other disturbance in the sand, you may place the ball in the nearest undisturbed spot in the bunker - no closer to the hole.