

PENINA GOLF CLUB

LOCAL RULES

1. 5th Hole Local Rule B-3

"If a player does not know whether his or her ball is in the penalty area in front of the 5th Green, the player may play a provisional ball under Rule 18.3, which is modified in this way:

- In playing the provisional ball, the player may use the stroke-and-distance relief option (see Rule 17.1d(1)) or the back-on-the-line relief option (see Rule 17.1d(2))
- Once the player has played a provisional ball under this Rule, he or she may not use any further options under Rule 17.1 in relation to the original ball.
- In deciding when that provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play or if it must or may be abandoned, Rule 18.3c(2) and 18.3c(3) apply except that:
 - When Original Ball Is Found in Penalty Area Within Three-Minute Search Time. The player may choose either to:
 - Continue to play the original ball as it lies in the penalty area, in which case the provisional ball must not be played. All strokes with that provisional ball before it was abandoned (including strokes made and any penalty strokes solely from playing that ball) do not count, or
 - Continue to play the provisional ball in which case the original ball must not be played.
 - When Original Ball Is Not Found Within Three-Minute Search Time or Is Known or Virtually Certain to Be in Penalty Area. The provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty."

2. Aeration holes on the green

If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole: (a) Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.

If the ball comes to rest in another aeration hole the player may take relief again under this Local Rule. (b) Ball on Putting Green. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.

BUT relief may only be taken where the ball lies in or touches the hole, interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or, on the putting green, on the player's line of play.

3. Local Rule F-16 Bunker on Left of 8th Green

If the bunker on the left of the 8th green is flooded then this is ground under repair in the general area. It is not treated as a bunker during the round.

If the player's ball lies in or touches this ground under repair or the ground under repair interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player may take free relief under Rule 16.1b.

All other bunkers on the course, whether they contain temporary water or not, are still bunkers for all purposes under the Rules.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a."

4. Area to the right of the fairway bunkers on the 9th

The wooded area to the right of the fairway bunkers on the 9th hole, the parameters of which are defined by a series of red posts, has been designated by the Committee as a Red Penalty Area.

5. Option for Lateral Relief on the 10th Hole Only

When a player's ball is in a Penalty Area, including when it is known or virtually certain to be in a Penalty Area even though not found, the player may take relief using one of the options under Rule 17.1d.

Additionally an extra relief option adding one penalty stroke, is available from the Red Penalty Area to the right of the 10th fairway only, whereby the player may drop the original ball or another ball on the opposite side of that Penalty Area.

The Reference Point for this additional relief is the estimated point that is the same distance from the hole as the estimated point where the original ball last crossed that Penalty Area.

6. Drop Zone Hole 13

When a player's ball is in the Penalty Area defined by yellow stakes on hole 13, in addition to the one stroke penalty options under Rule 17.1d the player may, adding one penalty stroke, drop the original ball or another ball within the Penalty Drop Zone defined by white lines and marked by a drop zone notice. If the zone is not marked as above then it is defined as the closely mown area to the left of the water.

The yellow stakes indicate that the water is a penalty area. The margins of that Penalty Area are defined by the natural boundaries of the Water and NOT the stakes themselves.

7. Immovable Obstructions (NEW – Added 7 March 2023)

Manhole covers, tree stumps and their associated roots where marked in blue are defined as Immoveable Obstructions ('IO'). Where a player's ball touches the IO or their intended stance or swing is impeded by that IO, the player may take free relief in accordance with Rule 16.1b.

8. TEMPORARY LOCAL RULES

1. A ball lying on part of the general area cut to fairway height or less may be lifted without penalty and cleaned. Before lifting the ball, the player must mark its position. Having lifted the ball, he/she must place it on a spot in the general area within fifteen centimetres of and not nearer the hole than where it originally lay.

A player may place his/her ball only once, and it is in play when it has been placed (Rule 14-4). **Additionally, in the event that a root interferes with either the player's stance or the intended path of their club, the relief distance may be extended to the nearest point that avoids such interference.*** If the ball fails to come to rest on the spot which it is placed, Rule 14.2e applies. If the ball when placed comes to rest on the spot on which it is placed and it subsequently moves, there is no penalty and the ball must be played as it lies, unless the provisions of any other rules apply.

If a player fails to mark the position of the ball before lifting it or moves the ball in any other manner, such as rolling it with a club, he/she incurs a penalty of one stroke.

2. Other than in a penalty area, a ball that is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground may be lifted, without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the hole. A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule makes the stroke clearly impracticable.
The penalty for breach of this local rule is two strokes.

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