



The Reserve Vineyards & Golf Club - Local Rules

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Obstructions Close to Putting Green

Relief is permitted if a competitor's ball lies within two club lengths of an immovable obstruction which is located within two club lengths of the putting surface, or in a closely mown area surrounding the putting surface, where interference exists in lie, stance, swing or intended line of play. Use Rule 16.1b.

Abnormal Course Conditions

Relief is permitted if the following objects interfere with your lie, stance, or swing only:

- *Staked and Wire Supports for Trees*
- *French Drains*
- *Cart Paths and Curbs*
- *Restrooms*

Relief procedure: Use Rule 16.1b.

Pumphouse between 18 North and 16 South - A ball resting next to the pumphouse between 16 South and 18 is entitled to free obstruction relief for stance and swing (nearest point of relief) under Rule 16.1b. A player is entitled to relief for the stance and swing only, not line of play.

Net Between 6 North and 15 North - During the play of North #6, if the safety net is on your line of play, relief may be taken from the Red teeing area on North #6. During the play of North #15, if the safety net is on your line of play, relief may be taken from the Tan teeing area on North #15.

Cultivated and Barked Areas, Course Periphery Hedges - No free relief, play the ball as it lies or declare the ball unplayable. Exception: Relief under Rule 16.1b is permitted for a ball found in the flowered area adjoining the lake on #18 of the North Course, and ornamental areas around tee stones as well as ornamental areas on both sides of the cart path leading to the Crossing.

Drop Zones

A drop circle is provided only for balls which do not clear the red staked no play zone on hole 4 of the North Course, located to the right of the cart path, past the red tee box.

Provisional Ball

Before playing a provisional ball the player must announce that it is a provisional ball. Otherwise, that ball becomes the ball in play and the original ball is lost. In addition to playing a provisional ball when the original ball may be lost or out of bounds, a provisional ball also may be played for a ball which may be in the no play zone/environmentally sensitive areas crossing the 6th, 7th and 15th holes on the North Course.

No Play Zones/Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA)

All ESA's are marked with green stakes tipped with red and should be treated as "No Play Zones". Proceed under Rule 16.1f. If your ball is not in the no play zone, but your stance or swing will touch the no play zone or anything growing *and* within the margin of the no play zone, you **MUST** take relief. Use relief under Rule 17.1e.

Bridges Crossing No Play Zones

A ball may be played from these bridges, provided that lie, stance, or swing does not contact anything growing within the no play zone. The bridge is an immovable obstruction, and although it is in the no play zone (a no play zone extends vertically upward) a club may touch an obstruction in a no play zone, as the obstruction is not “ground in the no play zone.” (North Course on holes 6, 13, and 15).

Doubt as to Procedure

In a situation where you are unsure how to proceed, play two balls under Rule 20.1c(3). Declare your intention to proceed under the Rule and indicate which ball you want to count **before** hitting any ball. All Rule 20-1c(3) situations must be reported to the Committee. Mark the position of the original ball with a tee if the position is critical to the situation.

On-Course Practice

On course practice after a round is permitted for Stroke Play tournament play (Rule 5.2b).

Stroke and Distance Penalty Relief

The long fescue-type grass areas (i.e. long grass mounds) are played as red penalty areas. For one penalty stroke, the player may proceed under the relief options for a red penalty area. This rule applies to all golf rounds - both casual daily play and tournament play. In the case of a lost ball in these areas, you may also proceed under relief rules for red penalty areas if you are at least 95% certain the ball was lost in the long grass area. See Rule 14.3 for procedure of dropping in a Relief Area.