

2025 Club Championship - Local Rules

Rules: Golf Canada rules will govern all play, except as modified by these local rules.

<u>Tees:</u> Men in Flights 1 & 2 will play from the **Blue Tees.** Men in Flights 3 & 4 will play from the **White Tees**. Women will play from the **Red Tees on Saturday** and the **Red/White Tees** on Sunday.

<u>Waste Bunker on Hole #1:</u> The bunker directly right of the forward (red) tee deck on hole #1 is considered a waste bunker. You may ground your club without penalty.

<u>Artificial Measuring Devices:</u> Artificial measuring devices and GPS units will be <u>ALLOWED</u> during competition. The device <u>MUST NOT</u> breach the rules of golf by giving slope and/or club recommendation.

<u>Out of Bounds:</u> Defined by boundary fences and white stakes. A ball which crosses a public road (Shannon Lake Road) defined as out of bounds and comes to rest beyond that road is out of bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the course (Model Local Rule A-3). The parking lot and clubhouse area are out of bounds as defined by white stakes, boundary fence behind #18 green and fence surrounding the maintenance yard. Please note that Local Rule 18.1 Stroke and Distance is <u>NOT</u> in effect. You must re-hit for all lost or out of bounds balls.

<u>Obstructions:</u> All staked/flagged trees, flowerbeds, bark mulch beds, yardage markers, irrigation fixtures, and <u>artificially surfaced roads and paths</u>, (including crush gravel paths and extensions from path) are considered immovable obstructions. Protective netting by clubhouse on hole #9 is considered an immovable obstruction. The cedar hedge behind #10 is considered a protective fence and an extension of the cart path. Free relief is provided under Rule 16 (Immovable Obstruction). The 150-yard markers may be considered moveable obstructions at the player's discretion. If your ball is within two club-lengths of an obstruction that is also within two club-lengths of the putting green, you may also take line of play relief. (Rule 16.1b). <u>Netting on Hole #3:</u> If your ball hits the netting panel on hole #3 you must replay your shot (no penalty) hitting any handrails related to stairs also share the same ruling.

<u>Tunnel:</u> If a ball is hit into the tunnel under Shannon Lake Road while playing #10, you will receive free relief by using the drop area by the #10 green. If the same situation occurs while playing #17, you may use the drop area by the #17 green.

<u>Ground Under Repair:</u> All cultivated flowerbeds, **bark mulch beds** and staked/flagged trees are areas from which play is prohibited. Free relief <u>MUST</u> be taken if your swing or stance is affected. <u>Exposed Tree Roots:</u> If a player's ball is in the *general area* and there is interference from exposed tree roots that are part of either the fairway <u>OR</u> rough cut, the tree roots are considered Ground Under Repair and free relief is allowed if your swing is impeded. Interference does <u>NOT</u> exist if the tree roots only interfere with the player's stance. All white lined areas are considered ground under repair. All areas where irrigation work has impacted turf is considered GUR, including trench repairs, new sod and any Verti cutting of the fairways. Proceed under Rule 16.

<u>Penalty Areas:</u> All penalty areas are defined by red stakes and/or a red painted line. To avoid undue delay while playing Hole #4, should a ball played from the teeing ground appear that it may be in the lateral hazard, a second ball may be played provisionally as an additional option under Rule 18-3.

<u>Disputes:</u> All disputes are to be reported to the rules committee for ruling. If during play, the players can not agree on a rule interpretation, it is recommended that two balls be played from the point in question, to the completion of the hole, after which a ruling can be obtained from the rules, and the proper score recorded.

Rules Committee: John Jacoby, Head Professional Ryan Smutko, Golf Shop Manager



2025 Club Championship - Local Rules (Naturalized areas)

<u>Naturalized areas:</u> Naturalized areas are defined as areas of long or unmanaged native grass, shrubs, or ground cover that are not maintained to the same standard as the general rough. These areas are to be treated as penalty areas. Relief options can be found under Rule 17.1d.

These areas will NOT be staked but will be defined in this document:

- The area between 2nd green and #1, 3 fairway is considered a naturalized area
- The area below the #1 red tees that runs all the way to the fairway & cart path area on #3 is considered a naturalized area.
- The area right of the cart path on 5th that runs down the slope to the tee box on 6th is considered a naturalized area
- The area left of the 5th green in and around the back of the 16th tee box is considered a naturalized area
- The area left of the #11th green that runs in between all the trees is considered a naturalized area.
- The area behind the 11th green on the way to the 12th tee is considered a naturalized area
- The area right of the 12th green that runs up the slope to the 13th tee is considered a naturalized area.
- The area behind the 16th green that runs down the slope by the 17th tee is considered a naturalized area.
- The area to the right of #17 tee but still in bounds is considered a naturalized area.

Any areas not listed that resemble the description are not considered naturalized areas and therefore are not eligible for the relief option under Rule 17.1.d.

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