

SATICOY SENIOR MEN'S GOLF CLUB LOCAL RULES 2019

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PLEASE REFER TO THE LOCAL RULES AS SHOWN ON THE SCORE CARD. THE SATICOY SENIOR MEN'S CLUB LOCAL RULES ARE ADDITIONS TO THE LISTED LOCAL RULES ON THE SCORE CARD.

DEFINITIONS:

BOUNDARY FENCES AND WALLS: THESE ARE THE FENCES AND WALLS THAT SURROUND THE COURSE PLAYING AREA, INCLUDING THE DRIVING RANGE FENCE ON HOLES # 1/10. A BALL BEYOND A BOUNDARY FENCE OR WALL IS OUT OF BOUNDS. THERE IS NO FREE RELIEF FROM A BOUNDARY FENCE OR WALL.

IF YOU THINK YOUR BALL MAY BE LOST OR OUT OF BOUNDS ANYWHERE ON THE COURSE, YOU MAY HIT A PROVISIONAL BALL BEFORE GOING TO LOOK FOR IT, OR GO TO WHERE THE BALL WENT OB OR WAS LOST AND PLAY YOUR NEXT SHOT FOLLOWING THE PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN THE USGA 2019 NEW "LOCAL RULE". **NOT MORE THAN 3 MINUTES ARE ALLOWED TO LOOK FOR THE BALL. OUR CLUB RULES COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED THE USE OF THE USGA 2019 NEW "LOCAL RULE" REGARDING A LOST OR OB BALL.**

PROTECTIVE FENCE: THIS IS A FENCE OR PART OF A FENCE THAT IS IN PLACE TO PROTECT PERSONS OR PROPERTY FROM ERRANT SHOTS. FREE RELIEF IS ALLOWED FOR SOME PROTECTIVE FENCES. THE TALL BALLFIELD FENCES ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF # 4/13 ARE PROTECTIVE FENCES. A BALL BETWEEN THE TALL FENCE AND THE SHORT CHAIN LINK FENCE ON THE ABOVE HOLES IS NOT OUT OF BOUNDS AND THE PLAYER MAY DROP THE BALL, WITHIN ONE CLUB LENGTH, OF A SPOT THAT GIVES SWING RELIEF FROM THE TALL FENCE, BUT NOT CLOSER TO THE HOLE (NO PENALTY). ALSO, ANY BALL CLOSE TO THE TALL FENCE CAN HAVE A FREE DROP ONE CLUB LENGTH FROM THE FENCE, BUT NOT CLOSER TO THE HOLE.

THE TALL FENCES DIRECTLY BEHIND THE #2/11 GREEN AND NEAR THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE #3/12 TEE AREA ARE DEEMED TO BE OB FENCES DUE TO THE COURSE DESIGN.

THERE IS FREE SWING AND STANCE RELIEF FROM ALL FENCE SUPPORT WIRES.

THERE ARE INTERIOR PROTECTIVE FENCES ON THE COURSE. IF YOUR BALL IS BEHIND OR NEAR THIS TYPE OF FENCE, LIKE THE SHORT CHAIN LINK FENCES THAT PROTECT THE TALL FENCE SUPPORT WIRES NEAR THE #6/15 GREEN, OR THE TWO TALL PROTECTIVE FENCES ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE #2/11 FAIRWAY, **YOU MAY ALSO HAVE UNLIMITED FREE RELIEF, NO CLOSER TO THE HOLE, FOR THE LINE OF PLAY TOWARD THE GREEN ANYTIME THESE FENCES BLOCK A SHOT TOWARD THE GREEN.**

IF THE CONCRETE BASE OF THE OB FENCE THAT IS ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HOLE # 7/16 INTERFERES WITH YOUR SWING OR STANCE, **THERE IS NOT FREE RELIEF, PER USGA.**

PLAY THE BALL AS IT LIES, UNLESS THE RULES OF GOLF ALLOW YOU TO DO OTHERWISE. PLAYERS SHOULD MARK BOTH SIDES OF THE BALL, FOR EASY IDENTIFICATION WITHOUT TOUCHING OR LIFTING THE BALL. IF A BALL MUST BE TOUCHED OR LIFTED FOR IDENTIFICATION, IT MUST BE DONE AS STATED IN RULE 12-2. MARK THE BALL POSITION, LIFT AND IDENTIFY IT, THEN REPLACE IN THE EXACT SPOT.

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IF A BALL STOPS ON THE EDGER CUT LINE AROUND THE GREEN, YOU MAY PLACE IT OFF THE LINE, BUT NOT CLOSER THE HOLE.

A PLAYER SHALL NOT PLAY A PRACTICE PUTT ON ANY GREEN EXCEPT ON THE PRACTICE GREEN. (1 STROKE PENALTY) A PLAYER MAY NOT USE THE CLUB HEAD OF ANY CLUB TO RETREIVE THE BALL FROM THE HOLE (1 STROKE PENALTY).

HITTING RANGE BALLS ANYWHERE ON THE COURSE IS A 2 STROKE PENALTY UNLESS THIS IS YOUR BALL IN PLAY.

THERE IS FREE SWING AND STANCE RELIEF FOR THE #5/14 REST ROOM. FIND THE NEAREST POINT OF RELIEF, NOT CLOSER TO THE HOLE, AND DROP WITHIN 1 CLUB LENGTH. LINE OF PLAY RELIEF IS NOT ALLOWED.

- (a) STONES IN BUNKERS ARE MOVEABLE OBSTRUCTIONS.
- (b) DIRT CART PATHS ARE IMMOVEABLE OBSTRUCTIONS.
- (c) IF A BALL LIES IN AN AREA OF AERATION, IT MAY BE LIFTED, CLEANED, & PLACED WITHIN ONE CLUB LENGTH, NOT CLOSER TO THE HOLE. (NO PENALTY)
- (d) THERE IS FREE RELIEF FROM STAKED TREES AS WELL AS THE STAKES.
- (e) THE EMBEDDED BALL RULE IS IN EFFECT THROUGH THE GREEN.
- (f) IF A SPRINKLER HEAD AND YOUR BALL ARE BOTH WITHIN TWO CLUB LENGTHS OF THE GREEN, YOU MAY LIFT, CLEAN AND DROP WITHIN ONE CLUB LENGTH, NOT CLOSER TO THE HOLE. (NO PENALTY)

SCRAMBLE RULES ARE DETERMINED BY THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LOW HANDICAP PLAYER IN EACH GROUP TO ENSURE THAT THE CORRECT SCORES ARE RECORDED FOR EACH PLAYER. IF A PLAYER CAUSES AN INCORRECT SCORE TO BE RECORDED, THE LOW HANDICAP PLAYER SHALL RECORD THE CORRECT SCORE.

PLAYERS MUST KEEP UP WITH THE GROUP AHEAD. IF YOUR GROUP IS FALLING BEHIND, THE FIRST TWO PLAYERS TO HOLE-OUT SHOULD GO IMMEDIATELY TO THE NEXT TEE AND HIT. IF RIDING IN A CART, DON'T PUT YOUR CLUB BACK INTO THE BAG AFTER MAKING A SHOT IN THE FAIRWAY. GET IN THE CART AND CARRY THE CLUB TO THE NEXT CART STOP.

IF YOU ARE NOT PLAYING BY THE RULES AND/OR NOT COUNTING YOUR STROKES CORRECTLY, YOU ARE LYING TO YOURSELF AND YOU COULD BE STEALING PRIZE MONEY FROM OTHER CLUB MEMBERS. PLEASE HAVE THE INTEGRITY TO COUNT YOUR STROKES CORRECTLY AND PLAY BY THE RULES.