The following Local Rules and Conditions apply in PGA TOUR cosponsored tournaments only.

#### Obstructions.

- Railroad ties, curbing or the like adjoining artificially surfaced roads or paths are part of the road or path.
- Stakes; ropes; wires; or other objects supporting trees or tree limbs, provided they are not closely attached, are obstructions, the tree or tree limb is not part of the obstruction.

#### Abnormal Ground Conditions.

- a. Ground Under Repair:
  - i. Fire ant mounds or beds.
  - For a ball in a hazard that has interference from a fire ant mound or bed, relief is provided in accordance with Decision 1-4/10.
- b. Casual Water:
  - If casual water exists on the putting green the Committee may:
  - i. require the player to proceed under Rule 25-1b (iii);
  - ii. squeegee the line of putt;
  - iii. squeegee the putting green until the players are near the putting green;
  - iv. or in extreme cases any combination of i, ii and iii above.

# Integral Parts of the Course.

Artificial walls and/or pilings that define the margin of bunkers are integral parts of the course and are through the green.

# Scoring Area.

The scoring area may include but is not limited to trailers, tents or rooms. A player's score card has been returned to the Committee when the player has exited the defined scoring area with both feet, unless the player verbally informs the Scoring Official that he needs to leave the Scoring Area and will immediately return.

### Score Card - Pro-Am Competition.

The professional player is the marker and scoring is according to Rule 31-3. The score card shall be signed by the professional player and attested by one of the amateur partners. Penalties apply only to the professional player.



# PGA TOUR 2013 Local Rules and Conditions of the Competition

The Rules of the United States Golf Association govern play, as modified by the PGA TOUR. The following Local Rules and Conditions of the Competition apply and may be found in the current Appendix I of the USGA Rules of Golf as referenced on page numbers below. See the applicable competition's "Notice to Competitors (Players)" for additional Definitions, Local Rules, and Conditions of the Competition.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule or Condition is: Match Play - Loss of Hole; Stroke Play - Two Strokes.

#### **SECTION A - LOCAL RULES**

#### Out of Bounds - Rule 27.

A ball which crosses a 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.

2. Water Hazards (including Lateral Water Hazards) - Rule 26.

Dropping Zones:

If it is known or virtually certain that a players' ball is in a water hazard (including lateral water hazards) and a Drop Zone is specified on the applicable "Notice to Competitors (Players)", the player may as an additional option, drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke, in the Dropping Zone specified on the applicable "Notice to Competitors (Players)".

Abnormal Ground Conditions - Rule 25.

Ground Under Repair:

- a. Areas completely encircled with white lines, including areas marked as gallery crosswalks.
- b. French drains filled with stones.
- c. Grass covered cable trenches even though unmarked.
- d. Seams of cut turf Page 129.
- 4. Embedded Ball Through the Green Page 127.

#### 5 Immovable Obstructions - Rule 24

- a. White lined areas tying into obstructions are part of the obstruction.
- b. A landscaped or garden area (flowerbeds, shrubberies or the like) completely encircled by an obstruction is part of the obstruction.
- c. Mats secured to the ground and rubber or plastic bumpers covering cables.
- d. Roads or paths surfaced with wood chips or mulch, the individual pieces of wood chips or mulch are loose impediments.
- e. Where the outside edge (non golf course side) of a road or path defines out of bounds, the road or path is an immovable obstruction.
- f. Non permanent bridges erected for players or spectators, unless otherwise defined on the applicable "Notice to Competitors (Players)".

#### 6. Turf Plugs on Putting Green - Rule 16-1c.

Turf plugs on putting greens have the same status as old hole plugs and may be repaired as in Rule 16-1c.

#### 7. Integral Parts of the Course.

- a. Wrappings, wires, cables and other objects when closely attached to trees or objects defining out of bounds.
- b. Artificial walls and/or pilings when located within water hazards.

#### 8. Permanent Elevated Power Lines or Cables.

If a ball strikes a permanent elevated power line or cable, the stroke must be canceled and replayed without penalty (Rule 20-5). If the ball is not immediately recoverable another ball may be substituted. (For temporary power lines or cables see Item 9 Temporary Obstructions).

9. Temporary Obstructions - Pages 131-135.

#### SECTION B - CONDITIONS OF THE COMPETITION

#### 1. Specifications of Clubs and the Ball.

- a. List of Conforming Driver Heads Pages 137-138. Penalty for making a stroke with club in Breach of Condition – Disqualification.
- b. Groove and Punch Mark Specifications (except for amateurs in a Pro-Am that does not count in the official competition) - Decision 4-1/1.
   The exception referring to Ping Eye 2 irons manufactured before March 31, 1990 does not apply. Penalty for making a stroke with club in Breach of Condition - Disqualification.
- c. List of Conforming Golf Balls (Note to Rule 5-1) Page 138.
- d. One Ball Condition (except for amateurs in a Pro-Am that does not count in the official competition) Pages 138-139.

# Pace of Play (Note 2 to Rule 6-7). See posted PGA TOUR Pace of Play Guidelines for pace of play fines and penalties.

#### 3. Suspension of Play Due to a Dangerous Situation.

(Note to Rule 6-8b) - Pages 140-141.

Discontinue Play Immediately: One prolonged signal note.

Discontinue Play: Three consecutive short signal notes.

Resume Play: Two short signal notes.

Note: During a suspension for a dangerous situation all practice areas shall be closed until the Rules Committee has declared them open. Players who disregard such closing are subject to disciplinary action.

#### Practice - Page 141.

Prior to the stipulated round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 7-1b applies to other practice in stroke play. Rule 7-1a covers practice before the stipulated round in match play.

Practice Between Holes (Note 2 to Rule 7).

Note: This condition does not apply to a Pro-Am that does not count in the official competition, or in any Match Play competition.

#### 5. Transportation - Page 142.

Exception: When permitted to ride by the Rules Committee.

#### 6. How to Decide Ties.

In the event of a tie for first place there will be a hole by hole playoff to determine the winner immediately following the last stipulated round.

#### 7. Close of Competition.

The competition shall be deemed to have closed when all scores have been validated in the Scoring System and approved by the Rules Committee. In the event of a playoff, the competition shall be deemed to have closed when the playoff scores have been approved by the Rules Committee.

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