



Club League 2025 – Lisbon and Center
Local Rules and Competition Terms

The indicated Local Rules and Competition Terms, together with any additions or changes published by the competition committee in the meantime, will apply to all events.

Unless otherwise indicated, the penalty for violating a local rule is the General Penalty: Two Strokes

Local Rules

1. Penalty Areas. Rule 17.

(a) Relief on Opposite Side Equidistant to Red Penalty Areas.

Local rules will specify which (if any) red penalty areas have the option of equidistant distance on the opposite side. Model Local Rule B-2.2 will only apply to the penalty areas that are listed.

(b) Dropping Zone for Penalty Areas

Where a dropping zone is defined for a penalty area, marked DZ, it is an additional option with the penalty of one stroke. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3 meaning that a ball must be dropped into and come to rest within the relief area.

(c) Relief on Opposite Side Where Ball Last Crossed Margin of Penalty Area Where Margin and Limit of Course Coincide.

When a player's ball has last crossed the edge of a penalty area where the edge of the penalty area and the edge of the course coincide, that edge is considered red and relief on the opposite side is available in accordance with the Local Rule Model B-2.2.

2. Abnormal Course Conditions. Rule 16.

A. Land Under Repair.

- (a) All areas delimited by white or blue lines.
- (b) Cut Grass Signs: Model F7 Local Rule is in effect.
- (c) “French drains” (drainage ditches filled with stones).
- (d) A hole made by a movable obstruction (pegs, signs, chairs, etc.) is considered to be ground under repair by the Technical Committee but there is no relief for interference with the stance.

B. Immovable Obstructions.

- (a) Areas marked with white lines and the immovable obstruction they contain are a single abnormal course condition.
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- (b) Landscaped areas of land (and anything growing therein) that are surrounded by a fixed obstruction are treated as a single abnormal course condition.
- (c) Roads or paths paved with cement, gravel, rubber, wood chips or vegetation cover. Isolated pieces of wood shavings are loose deterrents.

C. Restriction on Animal Hole Stance Relief.

Rule 16.1 is modified as follows: “Interference does not exist if the animal hole interferes only with the player's stance”.

D. Root relief

If the player's ball is in the general area of grass cut to fairway height, or in the rough, and a tree or bush root interferes with the ball, the root assumes the status of ground under repair and relief may be taken according to rule 16.1b. Note that relief is only granted to the ball and not to the player's stance. Definition of shrub: medium-sized plant, with a small, woody stem, branching from the ground.

3. Immovable Obstructions near Putting Greens.

Model Local Rule F-5 is in effect:

For a ball in the General Area, relief may be taken under Rule 16.1b if (i) a fixed obstruction is on the line of play and is on or within two clubs of the putting green and within two clubs of the ball, and (ii) both the ball and the fixed obstruction are in an area cut off at fairway height or less.

4. Integrating Objects.

- (a) Bunker screens when in proper position.
- (b) Wires, cables, sheathing or other objects when securely tied or attached to trees or other permanent objects.
- (c) Artificial retaining walls and bollards when located within penalty areas.
- (d) Artificial retaining walls or pillars when located on the edge of bunkers. These are part of the General Area.

5. Permanent Overhead Electric Lines.

Model Local Rule E-11 is in effect, but only if it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball struck a line located within the course and not the support post/tower. The player must repeat the stroke (see Rule 14.6)

6. Temporary Immovable Obstructions. (TIO's).

Local Rule Model F-22 (Temporary Power Lines and Cables) and F-23 (TIO's), with any additions or changes to the Local Rules.

7. Stopping the Game; Restarting the Game - Rule 5.7

The following signals will be used to suspend and resume play:



- Immediate stop / dangerous situation – a prolonged siren sound.
 - Non-dangerous Normal Stop - three consecutive short siren blasts.
 - Resume game - two consecutive short siren blasts.
- When the game is stopped due to a dangerous situation, all training areas will be immediately closed.

8. Training - Rule 5

(a) Before or between conventional rounds in Stroke Play. Model I-1.2 local rule is in effect.

Rule 5.2b is modified as follows: A player may not train on the competition course, but may train in designated training areas.

9. Transport Policy.

Buggies Allowed

10. Scoring in Stroke Play

Model Local Rule L-1 applies. Rule 3.3b(2) is modified as follows: If a player submits a score card without the hole scores being certified by either the player, the scorer or both, the player receives the General Penalty (two penalty strokes). The penalty applies to the last hole of the player's round.

11. Pace of Play. Rule 5.6b(3).

Each hole was assigned a maximum time to complete based on the length and difficulty of the hole. The maximum time allocated to complete 18 holes will be available prior to the competition at check-in and, if possible, on the score cards.

Penalty for Violation of the Pace of Play Policy in Stroke Play if there is a referee on the course

1st bad time - Verbal warning from Referee.

2nd bad time - 1 penalty stroke. 3rd bad time - General penalty 4th bad time - Disqualification.

Note: Times will be taken from the moment it is considered by the Referee that it is the player's turn to play and he can do so freely.

In the absence of a referee, the technical committee will decide on penalties to be applied due to the slow pace of the game.

Competition Terms:

12. Deciding Ties.



The method for deciding ties is indicated in the general competition rules.

13. Results, Recording Area and Score Cards Delivered.

The location of the results recording area will be informed at the beginning of the test. The Score card is handed over when the player leaves the score recording area with both feet.

14. When the Result of the Competition is Final

The competition is closed when the official results have been validated in the results system by the person responsible for recording results and approved by the Technical Committee.