

U.S. Kids Golf NCBA Kenya Invitational - WINDSOR GOLF HOTEL & COUNTRY CLUB LOCAL RULES Play is governed by the Rules of Golf, U.S. Kids Golf Rules and Regulations

RULES/TOURNAMENT HOTLINE: If, during your round, you need a ruling or rules official assistance, please call the tournament hotline at +254 72 2814699. Cell phones may ONLY be used by a player or caddie to 1) access tournament information, 2) obtain yardages via GPS, 3) contact the rules hotline, or 4) in emergency situations. Cell phones may not be used for any other purpose.

1. GROUND UNDER REPAIR (GUR)

Any part of the course marked GUR or enclosed within white lines: any hole or cast on the course made by an animal (including termites and ants) and natural cracks in the ground caused by earth shrinkage are deemed GUR, and relief may be taken under Rule 16. Indentations made by vehicle tyres are GUR ONLY if so marked.

- **2. OUT OF BOUNDS: (a)** Marked with white stakes. **(b)** Beyond the perimeter fence of the Course. **(c)** Beyond the wall separating the hotel patio and the golf course or the course edge where flower beds exist. Steps form part of the wall. **(d)** Beyond the outside edge of the flower beds in front of the cottages and the pavement connecting them.
- **3. PROTECTING YOUNG TREES:** Young trees are marked with white tape, or if not marked, a tree under two club lengths in height. If a young tree interferes with the player's stance or the area of his/her intended swing, the player MUST take relief (Rule 16.1).

EXCEPTION: A player may NOT obtain relief under the Local Rule if it is clearly unreasonable for him /her to make a stroke because of anything other than the young tree.

- **4. ROADS AND PATHS:** All artificially surfaced paths, including all murram roads, are immovable obstructions. Relief may be taken under Rule 16.1.
- **5. EDGE GROOVES/CHANNEL AROUND PUTTING GREENS:** If a ball lies in an edge groove/channel around a putting green, the player may, without penalty, lift the ball, clean it and place it within one club-length not nearer the hole.
- **6. HOLE #14: PROVISIONAL BALL:** If it is not known if or virtually certain a ball is in the **red penalty area on hole 14**, the player may play a **provisional ball** under **Rule 18.3**, which is modified in this way:

In playing the **provisional ball**, the player may use the **stroke-and-distance relief** option (see **Rule 17.1d** (1)), the **back-on-the-line relief** option (see **Rule 17.1d**(2)), or the **lateral relief** option (see **Rule 17.1d**(3)). If a dropping zone is available for this penalty area (see **Model Local Rule E-1.1**), it is an additional option.

Once the player has played a **provisional ball** under this Local Rule, they may not use any further options under **Rule 17.1** in relation to the original ball.

In deciding when that **provisional ball** becomes the player's ball **in play** or if it must or may be abandoned, **Rule 18.3c(2)** and **18.3c(3)** apply except that:

- When Original Ball Is Found in Penalty Area Within Three-Minute Search Time. The player may choose either to:
 - Continue to play the original ball as it lies in the **penalty area**, in which case the **provisional ball** must not be played. All strokes with that **provisional ball** before it was abandoned (including **strokes** made and any penalty strokes solely from playing that ball) do not count, or
 - Continue to play the provisional ball in which case the original ball must not be played.
- When Original Ball Is Not Found Within Three-Minute Search Time or Is Known or Virtually Certain to Be in Penalty Area. The provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty.

Additional Local Rule: If a player's ball is in the yellow penalty area on hole 1 and red penalty area on hole 14, including when it is known or virtually certain to be in that penalty area even though not found, the player has these relief options, each for one penalty stroke:

- The player may take relief under Rule 17.1, or
- As an extra option, the player may drop the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone **marked in white chalk/paint, indicated "DZ".** The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3
- The "RS DZ" next to the yellow penalty area on Hole 1 is available to RS tee players only. Standard rules apply to all other players.
- Hole 17 has a "DZ" on either side of the marked No Play Zone. If a player's ball is in the No Play Zone they must drop in the nearest "DZ" as marked by an arrow.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a.

- **7. HOLES ADJACENT TO OUT OF BOUNDS FENCE RIGHT OF HOLE 11 &12:** Integral part of the course: Holes adjacent to the out of bounds fence right of hole 11 and 12. No relief.
- 8. STONES IN BUNKERS: Stones in bunkers are moveable obstructions (Rule 15.2a applies)
- **9. Hole 17:** The temporary green in front of green of hole 17 is a NO-PLAY ZONE.
- **10. Additional penalty areas:** Parts of the thickets to the left of Holes 5, 12 and thick bush to the right of 15th have been designated as red penalty areas.
- **11. Exposed bunker liners** are immovable obstructions. A player may proceed under **Rule 16.1**. A ball must be dropped in the bunker unless the player proceeds under **Rule 19.1**.
- **MLR L-1:** In the event a player returns their scorecard without player or marker certification, the penalty will be two strokes.
- **MLR I-1.2:** Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on designated practice areas. On an official tournament round day, a player may not practice on their competition course before or between rounds.