



Local Rules - U.S. Kids Golf United Arab Emirates Championship 2024

The Rules of Golf, U.S. Kids Golf State Invitational Rules & Regulations, and the following Local Rules govern all play on the course:

RULES/TOURNAMENT HOTLINE: If, during your round, you need a ruling or rules official, please call the tournament hotline at **+971 564086044**. 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.

PUTTING GREEN: Holes 8, 9, 14, 15 & 16 - Should your line to the hole be over a sand fill repair, you may place one scorecard length not nearer the hole. Only on the above-mentioned holes.

OUT OF BOUNDS: **1)** Any Fence, wall, and road forming the boundary of the course. **2)** Any area as defined by white stakes. **3)** The Driving Range when playing Hole 1 and 2. **4)** All Housing and gardens as defined by White Stakes, lines or boundary walls / fences. Players must proceed under Stroke and Distance penalty.

U.S. KIDS DROP ZONES: Hole 3. For 9-Hole Players (Boys 6U, Boys 7, Boys 8, Girls 8U, and Girls 9-10) only. An additional drop zone has been provided on the other side of the water and can be used as an additional option under Rule 17. All 18-Hole players must use regular drop zone (clearly marked)

PENALTY AREAS: Penalty areas are defined by Yellow/Red Stakes. Players can use a drop zone (if provided) as an additional option (Rule 17) under a penalty of one stroke.

MOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS: All irrigation drip lines (Rule 15.2).

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS: **1)** All artificial roads and pathways, including ALL cart paths. **2)** All fixed sprinkler head and irrigation boxes. **3)** All staked trees. **4)** All lighting masts on Holes 1-7 and 18. **5)** All garden areas defined by grey stones. (Rule 16.1).

HOLE 10: Should your ball end up in the area in front and to the left of the bridge (clearly marked on the course): Player may take free relief from the drop zone.

STONES IN BUNKERS: Stones in bunkers are deemed loose impediments, as are leaves, pinecones, and the like. Removal of a loose impediment must not cause the ball to move (Rule 15.1).

ROPE OFF AREAS: Rope off areas in some fairways and/or rough is only to stop golf carts from entering the area. Players are allowed to play from these areas and push/pull carts are allowed to enter.

SAND WASTE AREAS: Free relief for a ball that comes to rest on tire marks in sand waste areas

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.**

MLR L-1 - In the event a player returns their scorecard without player or marker certification, the penalty will be two strokes.