



**U.S. Kids Golf Holiday Classic**  
*The Match Course – Local Rules*

**Play is governed by the Rules of Golf and its interpretations, the U.S. Kids Golf Foundation Regional Championship Rules & Regulations, and by the following Local Rules:**

**RULES HOTLINE:** If during your round you need a ruling or rules official assistance, please call the tournament rules hotline at **910-420-0382**. Cell phones may **only** be used to 1) access tournament information, 2) contact the rules hotline, 3) in emergency situations, or 4) access GPS apps.

**PLAYER & CADDIE SHUTTLING (Match Course Only):** All players and caddies may be shuttled between holes (from green to tee) by any spectator, staff, or volunteer cart. We ask that those with carts please help other players in your group with rides.

**GROUND UNDER REPAIR:** Unmarked tire ruts and deep depressions created by machinery are considered Ground Under Repair.

**CART PATHS:** There are no cart paths on the golf course. There is no relief from dirt paths.

**DROP ZONES:** There are no drop zones on the course.

**OUT OF BOUNDS:** Defined by the inside points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts.

**PENALTY AREAS:** All penalty areas are red penalty areas, defined by red lines or red dots. Painted red lines take precedence over red stakes.

**SANDY AREAS:** Any sandy/natural areas that are not completely enclosed by sod are deemed to be in the general area (waste areas). These areas are not bunkers, and the clubhead may be grounded. **Note:** there is no free relief for an embedded ball in loose sand in these areas. Sandy areas that are completely enclosed by sod are considered bunkers.

a. Wood facing in waste areas are considered integral parts of the golf course. There are no free relief options.

**MODEL LOCAL RULE F-5 – FIXED SPRINKLER HEADS CLOSE TO PUTTING GREEN:** For a ball in the General Area, the player may take relief (drop a ball at the nearest point of relief and one club-length, no closer to the hole) under rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is “on the line of play” and is within two club lengths of the putting green and within two club lengths of the ball.

**STONES IN BUNKERS:** are deemed to be loose impediments (Rule 15.1) and may be removed; however, the act of removing stone must not cause the ball to move.

**EDGING GROOVES:** If a ball lies in or on an edging groove around a putting green, or if the groove interferes with the area of the player’s intended swing, the ball may, without penalty, be lifted, cleaned and placed in the nearest position to where it lay that is not nearer the hole and avoids interference by the condition, whether on or off the putting green. Edging grooves are considered a part of the putting green.

**MLR I-1** – 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 the 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.

**SCORING AREA:** The official scoring area will be in the Masters Ballroom B. Players must immediately head to the scoring area once their round is complete.