



2025 U.S. Kids Golf World Championship

Mid Pines Inn & Golf Club – Local Rules

Play is governed by the Rules of Golf, U.S. Kids Golf Rules and Regulations, and the following Local Rules:

TOURNAMENT HOTLINE: If you need rules official assistance or have a general tournament question, please call the tournament hotline at **910-420-0382** or **678-856-4999**. 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.

SANDY AREAS: All sandy/natural areas are deemed to be waste areas. **There are NO bunkers on the golf course.** There is no free relief for an embedded ball in loose sand in these areas.

OUT OF BOUNDS: Out of bounds is defined by inside points of white stakes at ground level; and by the inside edges of the parking lot and driveway left of #18 adjacent to the conference center.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS: 1) Cart paths and birdhouses on poles are deemed obstructions. 2) Any railroad ties boarding cart paths or white lined areas tying into roads or obstructions are deemed to be part of the same obstruction.

ROADS AND PATHS: All cart paths, including sand paths, are deemed obstructions. Free relief is granted from all cart paths.

PRACTICE GREENS: Practice greens are classified as wrong greens (Rule 13.1f). Free relief is mandatory for stance and lie of ball.

EDGING GROOVES – If a ball lies in or on an edging groove around the putting green, or if the groove interferes with the area of 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.

NO STROKE & DISTANCE LOCAL RULE: Model Local Rule E-5 (Alternative to Stroke and Distance for Lost Ball or Ball Out of Bounds) is **NOT** in effect. All players must take Stroke and Distance relief for any ball that is lost or out of bounds.

MLR F-4: Player is entitled to free relief from extensive damage due to heavy rain (example: erosion). The player may drop one club-length from the nearest point of relief.

MLR 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.

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 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 LOCATION: Players must report to scoring immediately following completion of their round. The official scoring areas are defined by the tents near #9 and #18 green. Scores are deemed official once the card has been returned to the committee and the player has left the scoring area.

Water, Ice & Restrooms

Water is located at the Clubhouse and on Holes #5, 6, 12, 14, and 16. Ice/Water at the Clubhouse and turnhouse on #10. Restrooms at Clubhouse and after Holes #6, 9, 12, 16.