



## U.S. Kids Golf Teen Series at PGA Golf Club

July 6 - 7, 2023

Local Rules – Ryder Course



Play is governed by the Rules of Golf, the U.S. Kids Golf Regional Championship Rules & Regulations, and the following Local Rules where applicable:

**RULES/TOURNAMENT HOTLINE:** If, during your round, you are in need of a ruling or rules official assistance, please call the tournament hotline at **772-773-0655**. 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 purposes.

### IDENTIFICATION OF PENALTY AREA STAKES:

- a. Red Stakes with Red Tops: Identify penalty areas.
- b. Red Stakes with Blue Tops: Identify the edge of the cart path as the margin of the penalty area.
- c. **Red Stakes with Green Tops: Designate the penalty area as an environmentally sensitive area (ESA). There is no play or entry allowed in ESAs.**

**OUT OF BOUNDS:** In addition to OB as defined by the USKG Rules and Regulations Hard Card, OB is also defined by:

- a. The water's edge on the opposite side of the red penalty area on Holes #2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 15 & 16.
- b. The inside edge of street curbing on Holes: #1, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, & 18.
- c. Edge of cart path that is defined by white stakes with blue tops or lines on Hole #12.

**MULCH AREAS:** Mulch, when used around trees and/or beautification areas, is deemed to be a loose impediment.

**CART PATH EDGE DEFINES PENALTY AREAS (#9, #10, and #15):** Where penalty areas tie into the edges of cart paths, defined by red stakes with blue tops, the **INSIDE EDGE** (fairway side) of the path defines the margin of penalty areas on holes #9, #10, and #15.

**HOLES 14 & 15:** Penalty areas are defined by red dots or slashes

**ANIMAL FORAGING DAMAGE:** Areas of the golf course damaged by birds or other foraging animals are considered Ground Under Repair (GUR). **Such GUR will be limited to lie of ball and area of intended swing only.**

**FIRE ANT MOUNDS:** If the ball lay anywhere on the course, the player may take relief under Rules 16.2a,b.

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

**NEWLY SODDED AREAS:** Players can receive free relief from newly sodded areas. This is considered ground under repair and relief is optional. Players may take nearest point of relief and one club length, no closer to the hole.

**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.

**MODEL LOCAL RULE G-9 – USGA local rule replacing broken or significantly damaged club, except in abuse, is in effect.**

**MODEL LOCAL RULE I-1.2 –** 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.

Tournament Hotline 772-773-0655