



LOCAL RULES AND CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION FOR PNGA CHAMPIONSHIPS AND EVENTS

The Rules of Golf govern play. See applicable Notice to Players, Entry Application, and PNGA Code of Conduct for additional Local Rules and Conditions. Complete text of Rules and Appendix I may be found in the current Rules of Golf.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, THE PENALTY FOR BREACH OF A LOCAL RULE OR CONDITION IS:
MATCH PLAY – LOSS OF HOLE; STROKE PLAY – TWO STROKES

SECTION A: LOCAL RULES

OUT OF BOUNDS – Defined by the nearest inside points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts. Rule 27-1. Additionally, a ball which crosses a public road defined as out of bounds and comes to rest beyond that road is out of bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the course.

WATER AND LATERAL WATER HAZARDS – When a lateral water hazard is defined on only one side, it is deemed to extend to infinity. When water hazards and lateral water hazards are bounded by out of bounds, the hazard margin extends to and coincides with the out of bounds line.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR – Defined by white lines. Fire ant hills and French drains are deemed to be ground under repair.

SOD SEAMS – The Local Rule for Seams of Cut Turf as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.

WHITE-LINED AREAS TYING INTO ARTIFICIALLY SURFACED ROADS AND PATHS – Have the same status as the roads and paths, that of obstructions.

EMBEDDED BALL THROUGH THE GREEN – Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.

INTEGRAL PARTS OF THE COURSE – Include cables, rod, wires or wrappings when closely attached to trees; artificial walls and pilings when located in hazards, unless otherwise provided for in the Notice to Players.

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES – In PNGA Championships, a player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.) the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS – Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.

ACCIDENTAL MOVEMENT OF A BALL ON A PUTTING GREEN – When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his/her partner, his/her opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment. (NOTE: Full text of Local Rule available at <http://www.usga.org/2017LocalRule>)

PART B: CONDITIONS

LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS – Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.

LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS – Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.

TIME OF STARTING / OFFICIAL TIME – A player is deemed to be at the starting area when they are within the roped off area. If a site requires different conditions, the starting area will be defined in the Notice to Players. If a player has previously checked in with the starter he is still required to be at the starting area at the starting time schedule by the Committee. The Official Time is defined by the clock located at the tee where a player is scheduled to begin the stipulated round.

SCORING AREA – A player has deemed to have officially returned his/her scorecard when he/she leaves the scoring area table.

PACE OF PLAY – See separate memorandum to players for pace of play guidelines, when applicable.

DISCONTINUANCE OF PLAY – Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect. All practice areas are closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to cease doing so; failure to comply may result in revocation of entry.

SIGNALS FOR SUSPENDING AND RESUMING PLAY:

- *One prolonged air horn or siren blast – Suspension for Dangerous Situation*
- *Three Consecutive air horn or siren blasts – All other types of suspension*
- *Two consecutive air horn or siren blasts – Resumption of play*

DRESS CODE – All players and caddies must adhere to the PNGA and Host Club Dress Code through the Close of Competition. Any player or their caddie in violation of this Dress Code will not be permitted to start the competition. Player violation of the Dress Code during the competition may result in revoking of the player's entry if the violation is not corrected.

CLOSE OF THE COMPETITION – The competition is deemed to have closed when the trophy has been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Committee.

The result of a match is considered to have been "officially announced" when the Committee has approved the result as posted on the public scoreboard.

AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION – Unless prohibited in the Entry Application, during PNGA Championships, players are permitted to use motorized transportation. In all championships, spectator carts are not allowed.

TIES – In stroke play championships, in the event of a tie for the gross champion, a hole-by-hole playoff is used to determine the champion. In the event of a tie for the net champion, the tie will be broken using a scorecard match as per the USGA recommended method.